CCHCA MEETING ON 10-15-08

Attending:

Katie Baxter-Gagen Katy Sidwell Nina Prescott Allen Lewis Dia Pullen Hildie Carney John Sabo Ernie Klimoda Steve Caruso

The attendance numbers are too small to allow voting to approve changes to by-laws. We will need to handle this on-line.

Community Appearance Topics:

- Discussion on fences are there any City rules on height? Consensus seemed to be that there have been in the past but are not any at current time.
- In the Commons, there is a rotted post on the fence closest to the pavilion we will notify the City as this should be their job to fix. Katie will double-check that Nasrin Lescure has followed up on this issue. Also, while talking to City, see if they can cut back the woods from encroaching on the Commons area.
- We had a creek Clean-up in October thanks to the Hurley's, Pullen's, Lescure's, Ed Preston and Steve Caruso for participating. Steve will organize another day in the spring.
- On the HS trail, several of the trashcans have been damaged. Steve will contact the City to place cement trashcans at the top and bottom of trail.

Social Issues:

- We want to continue the Adopt a Family program for Thanksgiving and Christmas. Dia will ask Courtney Ashmore at Our Daily Bread to assign us a Fairfax City resident. We will follow up with flyer, website and yahoo to collect funds.
- Ernie will organize the Holiday Decoration contest.
- Santa visit: Jill Toth has agreed to handle the scheduling of the families. Steve is willing to drive our Santa (Marty Famer) on one of the nights. Nina has some suggestion for the dates in Dec. she will email them to Katie and Jill, so we can

coordinate with Marty and confirm the dates in time to advertise in the next newsletter. We will offer him a \$100 payment again this year. To save costs, we should ask the parents to provide the gifts this year,

• Halloween: Last year we spent \$350 on pizza – need to reduce this expense.

Tres. Report:

\$4,823.05 total balance

- \$2,163.67 in reserved City grant funds. John is authorized to pay Nasrim an additional \$300.00 for Commons maintenance
- \$2,659.38 in unreserved CCHCA funds

According to the by-laws we are suppose to audit once a year. Dia, Courtney Ashmore and John will schedule a day in January to review and prepare 2009 budget.

Fairfax City events:

- Blenheim postponed opening until Nov 1.
- Community Center will be located next to police station, backing up to Health Building. It will be the smallest option and will not require extra City funding and is intended mainly as a Community Arts program area.
- Fairfax Blvd. renovation is on-hold.
- New soccer field on Stafford Drive to open 11-15-08.
- City is not hosting a New Year's event this year due to budget.

Community Safety:

Some instances of trespassing and theft reported in recent months – City is patrolling more frequently in response.

Membership:

- 52% and rising.
- First draft of directory ready for review.

Next newsletter deadline for article submission is Oct 17 and publishing Nov 1 – with 7 or so days flexibility on those deadlines.