

Minutes of ANC3E December, 2008 Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by Chairperson Amy McVey. Commissioners Carolyn Sherman, Anne Sullivan, Lucy Eldridge and Matt Frumin were also present.

Announcements:

There were no announcements from the Commission.

Open Forum:

Members of the community expressed their thanks to the out-going commissioners.

Consideration of grant applications:

Billy Rector, from Engine 11, requested a grant of \$6000 for the DC Firefighters Burn Foundation for new Burn Carts that will provide the teams of medical professionals with upgraded equipment allowing for the delivery of modern, state-of-the-art care for its patients. The residents and workers of ANC 3E will directly benefit from the new equipment if and when they are in need of medical attention for burns. A motion was proposed by Chairperson McVey to support the application for a grant of \$6000 which was seconded by Commissioner Frumin. The motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

Update from PSA 202 on the Spivak case:

Matt Klien, Commander of the Second District, and Captain Taylor of the Homicide Unit, announced that they had arrested two individuals in the Spivak case and were looking for a third suspect. They both thanked the community for coming forward with helpful information which helped them solve the case so quickly.

Discussion of and possible vote on a resolution recommending that Janney Elementary School be put forward in the modernization queue for a new addition and renovation:

Commissioner Sullivan reviewed a proposed resolution requesting that Janney School be placed on the schedule for new addition in 2010 and a full modernization of the existing building in 2012/13. The resolution supported its recommendation by stating that the school was sent to the end of the line for modernization by orders of the

Deputy Mayor just hours before the release of the September 2008 Master's Facility Plan and that DCPS questioned the reassignment, stating that it violated principals of ordering the queue for modernization. The supporting information was generated from the FOIA'd documents that the ANC Special Committee had reviewed. Commissioner Frumin suggested that the resolution not mandate a date for the modernization, but make it consistent with the Master Facilities Plan so that there be no risk that either the timing of full funding for the modernization of Wilson High School be compromised. He also noted that other commissioners had not yet been given the opportunity to read the FOIA documents and that he was reluctant to support a resolution that referred to documents he had not yet reviewed. Commissioner Sullivan moved that the resolution be proposed unchanged which was seconded by Commissioner Eldridge. The motion was passed by a vote of 4-0-1 with Commissioner Frumin abstaining.

Discussion of and possible vote on the recent consideration to designate Chevy Chase as an historic district:

Commissioner Eldridge proposed a resolution stating that the application to designate Chevy Chase as an historic district had been put to a vote and that 77% of the residents of that area had voted to oppose the designation. The application has since been withdrawn. Commissioner Eldridge requested support for the resolution as a historical statement should the case be revisited. Commissioner Frumin suggested including in the resolution that "significant weight be given to the majority opinion of the neighborhood and that should HPRB make a designation that goes against the majority opinion the case should be compelling". Commissioner Frumin moved that the resolution, including the above clause, be proposed, which was seconded by Commissioner Sherman. The motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

Update on Chevy Chase Park:

Commissioner Eldridge gave an update on the installation of lights at Chevy Chase Park and commented that while there were still issues to be discussed, the Commission would wait until they had an opportunity to review concrete plans to discuss the matter further. In addition to requesting precise plans from the Department of Parks and Recreation, Commissioner Frumin requested a plan from the Department to enforce compliance on any restrictions requested by the community.

The Commission voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the November, 2008 meeting.

The Commission voted unanimously to approve the November 2008 Financial report.

The Commission voted unanimously to approve the following checks:

Check # 1251 for \$900 to The Waters Ward Co. for website services

Check # 1252 for \$6000 to the DC Firefighters Burn Foundation for Burn Carts

Check# 1253 for \$1005 to Polly Evans for administrative services from September 12-December 10, 2008

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 10:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucy Eldridge, Vice Chair