

Fells Prospect, Inc. Meeting Minutes: April 11, 2007

An agenda was distributed before the meeting.

I. Welcome

Chris McCollum, President, called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

II. Officer reports

President: need volunteers for vacant positions: board members, officers, committee members, and website maintenance.

Treasurer: Not present

Secretary: no report

III. Committee Reports

Land Use: Please be alert for dangerous demolitions and renovations, especially ones that remove walls or excavate basements. Look for violations and call Janet or Roger.

Crime Prevention: no report

Beautification: Allison Roeser will be helping Beautification Committee. Next projects are the Mayor's Spring Sweep and the planting at General Wolfe school.

Social Committee: Annual bowling party to be held on April 18. Ale Mary's will provide beer. Food is potluck.

Marketing/Web: No reports; need new webmaster.

Traffic and parking: Watch schedule for Orioles games. Traffic can get difficult.

IV. Old Business

Presentation by Peter Kurtze, representative of the Maryland Historic Trust (pkurtze@mdp.state.md.us). Seeks to fill in gaps between areas that already have this designation. Is not CHAP; does offer some tax breaks. Goal is to give recognition to properties that are of historic or architectural significance. Discussion of tax credits. Tristan, representative of firm that applied for historic status also present. He added more information about tax credits and provided contact information: www.mdtaxcredits.com or 410 837 5800.

Vote was taken on support of historic status. Approved.

V. New Business

Owner of Kiss Cafe made presentation of plans to lease the former Scratch and Dent store on Broadway. Wants to use 6-month lease to open late-night coffee and jazz venue. Wants support from community before beginning. Questions asked about parking and noise. Plenty of parking in garage two blocks away; will look into noise levels.

VII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:55 p.m.