

Hickory Withe Community Association

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April 4, 2013 Meeting First Baptist Church, Hickory Withe, TN

- President George McCloud called the meeting to order and Rudy Watkins opened the meeting with a prayer.
- The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Joe Moore
- Elected officials present were County Commissioners Joann Allen and Terry Leggett.
- Guests and elected officials were invited to open the food line.
- Total attendance was 56.

Reports:

Secretary's Report: Donna Gay-Wainscott

A motion to approve the minutes of the March meeting was made by Terry Leggett and seconded by Jean Coady. The motion passed. Community Counts Forum is no longer available for us to post our reminder notices. We will continue run an ad in the Fayette Falcon for 2 weeks prior to each monthly meeting and a reminder e-mail will be sent to the members one week prior to the meeting. Information will be posted on the Community Calendar on the Fayette County Chamber of Commerce site. Members were reminded to update their e-mail address and contact information when they pay their membership dues for 2013. Changes/corrections can also be made by e-mailing the secretary at: secretary@hickorywithe.com.

Treasurer's Report: Ed Patnode.

The checking account balance is \$13,644.32. The balance of the CD at the Clayton Bank is \$50,491.03. The combined balance of funds is \$64,135.35. Ed stated that he contacted the IRS and spoke with agent Karen Choo regarding the confusion about whether or not the association could give money to any individual or group that is not a 501(c) 3 organization. He was given information directing him to a website where he could print the information that he shared with the HWCA. He stated that we **could** indeed donate to individuals and groups that are not 501(c) 3 organizations.

President George McCloud brought to the attention of the association that we had discussed but never voted on whether or not to take money from the interest on the CD to donate to the First Baptist Church of Hickory Withe for use of their facility for our monthly meetings. He asked that a motion be made so that we could rectify this error. A motion was made by Rudy Watkins stating that we use interest from our CD to donate to the church rather than using funds from the checking account. The motion was seconded by Ronnie Caldwell, was voted on and passed.

Benevolence Committee: Tom Nelson (absent): no report given.

Hospitality: Marilyn Kain

Marilyn thanked Inice Patnode and Louise Caldwell for helping to decorate the tables and set up the food lines. A big thanks to Joe Moore for always being there to set up the tables.

Business:

<u>Nominating Committee:</u> Madelyn Stanford, Sandra Brewer, and Sandi Leggett have volunteered to be on the Nominating Committee. Their charge will be to seek members who are willing to be the officers for the Executive Board for next year for the association. They will present this slate of officers at our June meeting and we will vote on the new officers at our July meeting. According to the revised by-laws, the new officers take over immediately after the election in July.

A motion was made by Jim Montague requesting that the HWCA donate \$100 to Fayette Cares for the Feinstein Foundation. This motion was seconded by Joann Allen, was voted on, and passed.

Announcements:

Fayette Cares Annual Plant Sale will be held next Saturday, April 13, 2013 from 8:30 am to 2 pm at the Oakland First Citizens Bank (in front of Kroger).

Fayette Cares 7th Annual Golf Extravaganza will be on April 25, 2013 at Stonebridge Golf Course beginning at 7 am.

The date of our June meeting will need to be changed since Vacation Bible School will be held the week of our regularly scheduled meeting. The date of our July meeting falls on the 4th of July. We will discuss and vote on alternate dates for these meetings at our May meeting. We plan to honor the volunteer firemen who serve the Hickory Withe area at our June meeting. The new meeting dates for June and July will be posted on our website as a reminder to our members. Reminder e-mails will also be sent to the members.

Phil Mitchell asked if others would be interested in purchasing the DSPA device demonstrated by Fire Chief Jerry Ray at our last meeting. Phil got a count of those interested and will contact Chief Ray to see if members might be able to get a discounted rate by ordering through the Fire Department. He will report back to us at the next meeting.

Speaker:

Julie Perrine, Executive Director of the Fayette County Chamber of Commerce, shared information about the Intermodal Terminal that opened in July of 2012 in the Piperton/Rossville area. This Intermodal Terminal is part of Norfolk Southern's Crescent Corridor project. A terminal such as this is designed to enhance the region's competitiveness and spur economic growth. It is projected to lighten the truck traffic on I-40 by 637,000 trucks annually resulting in fewer emissions and lower maintenance costs for highway repairs.

Our next meeting will be held on Thursday, May 2, 2013.

Door prizes were distributed. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Donna Gay-Wainscott, Secretary 4/5/13