

Minutes of the Meeting of November 15, 2007

The Bryn-Rose Civic Association met in the Radnor United Methodist Church, 930 Conestoga Road, Rosemont PA, at 7:00 pm on the above date.

Present

Bob Adams, President; Peggy Gaskins; Treasurer; Lynn Ellis, Secretary; members; residents of the community; and representatives of the Save Garrett Hill Coalition.

Minutes

Bob Adams called the meeting to order. Peggy Gaskins motioned to approved the minutes of the October 25, 2007 meeting, seconded by Erma Calicyo, the motion was unanimously passed.

Treasurer's Report

Peggy Gaskins reported that we have \$40.00 in petty cash, with a total of \$859.64 as of Oct. 31st.

New Business

The question of Garrett Avenue being re-zoned as residential while grandfathering the existing business was discussed. More density was not a favorable idea as residents felt that the small village of Garrett Hill is already dense and parking is already a problem. The "feel" would not be the same with imposing additional floors over the commercial properties. Garrett Hill is a family. Do the proposals strengthen our family or not?

Patty Barker of the Save Garrett Hill Coalition addressed the group and introduced the coalition officers. She brought up topics of "smart growth", the wish of the residents to have input in the development/preservation of our community, recommendations of Section 3 Housing: building five feet from the edge of Conestoga Road, condos on Garrett Avenue, hiring a planner to advise the residents. The coalition will review the five proposals submitted to the Township and make recommendations. Residents have volunteered to be Block Captains who will have factual information available for residents. Google us at savegarrethill.org.

The coalition would also like a map of the trail proposed to connect the existing trail through Ithan, Villanova University to Garrett Hill along the P&W tracks. Patty asked for volunteers to join the coalition and thanked all who have stepped up.

Marty Costello, who grew up in Garrett Hill, spoke of the importance of attending Township meetings to make sure that all involved are "all on the same page". He suggested the "flow" should be: the residents, Board of Commissioners, the Township Manager, the Township Staff, and that decisions should be made accordingly. Roberta Winters noted that many areas of the Township are not represented on the Township committees. Peggy Gaskins requested Visioning Workshops for residents.

Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be held on January 24, 2008 at 7:00 P.M. All residents are welcome, so bring some new ideas and a friend!

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Ellis