

Minutes of the Bryn-Rose Civic Association Meeting of November 19, 2009

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

Present

Bob Adams, President; Peggy Gaskins, Treasurer; Lynn Ellis, Recording Secretary; 7th Ward Commissioner John Fisher and members

Minutes of October 22, 2009

Bob Adams motioned to approve the minutes as written. Seconded by Lew Gaskins, the minutes were approved as written.

Treasurer's Report

Peggy Gaskins reported that as of October 30, 2009 we had \$384.22 in our bank account and \$60.00 in petty cash

New Business

Jill Huentelman explained her idea of new community projects called Community Cares and Villanova Cares. University students will be matched with seniors to help around the house, shovel snow, etc. Radnor Methodist Pastor Lori Ann Rookard, the Villanova University Student Government Association (S.G.A.), the Garrett Hill Coalition, and Bryn-Rose Civic Association are all excited to pursue this project.

Commissioner Fisher noted that there are more than 700 people over 65 years old in the 7th Ward and Villanova University (V.U.) does yearly projects in Radnor in lieu of paying taxes. He said that the University requires four courses in philosophy or theology which stress service to others. He is asking the University to offer credits to the students who volunteer. He noted that Bryn Mawr College has a "Adopt a Grandparent Program" matching up their student with local seniors.

Jill would like Bryn-Rose to take an active role in this "Build on Community Project." She would like to go back to the S.G.A. and work with them to identify student interested in volunteering. Hopefully, there would be students living in Garrett Hill who could then help people in their own neighborhood. This may give them a sense of belonging and help them and the community in many ways.

Phil Ahr has volunteered to add a Senior Request Notice to a future Coalition flyer for residents to sign up to be matched with student volunteers. It was noted that the V.U. students who had a volunteer project recently sought out this Church to help. These were the students who attended our Welcome Back Picnic last fall at the Church. They told us that they picked the Church to help because we fed them and they were excited to "pay back".

Announcement

Dawn Bruton announced that there will be a Garrett Hill Social on January 30 here at Radnor Methodist. Samples of the food featured in our Garrett Hill Community Cook Book will be available to sample.

Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be held on January 28, 2010 at 7:00 P.M. All residents are welcome.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Ellis