

Tulip Hill Citizens Association
Fall / Winter Meeting – December 12, 2010
Minutes

The fall / winter Tulip Hill Citizens Association (THCA) meeting took place on December 12, 2010, at the home of Mike Daniels. (Thank you very much for making your home available to us!)

Liza Aronie, President of THCA, called the meeting to order.

A motion was made and unanimously approved to accept the minutes of the previous meeting. All present then introduced themselves.

Neighborhood Safety. Liza opened a discussion of recent crime activity in the immediate neighborhood as well as surrounding areas. Liza indicated that she had talked to a local police representative, and had also obtained some police-approved handouts. Liza distributed copies of the handout to those in attendance. The two major points resulting from the discussion were as follows:

(i) ***Residents should call the police to report any suspicious neighborhood activity.*** Residents need not actually witness a crime prior to contacting the police. Rather, the witnessing of suspicious activity is sufficient grounds to call the police non-emergency number, and police encourage such calls to assist them in crime prevention. For example, police encourage residents to call in the event that certain door-to-door magazine salespersons are visiting the neighborhood, as some of these groups may be “scouters” for subsequent breaking-and-entering crimes.

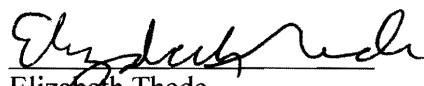
(ii) ***Residents should not open the door to anyone they don't know.*** The days where one could politely open the door to anyone who might ring the bell are over. These days, opening the door to strangers is literally opening the door to crime.

Zoning Issues. Liza indicated that we were approached by the Brookmont neighborhood to support them in opposing multi-dwelling development on single lots. Zoning issues were also raised about several neighborhood lots. A motion was made and approved to reach out to an attorney who specialized in zoning issues and resided in an area near Tulip Hill.

Feral Cats. Many present urged all Tulip Hill residents not to feed feral cats.

Traffic. The meeting discussed two traffic issues. First, a point was raised that cars making a left turn from Massachusetts Avenue onto Bent Branch Road often held up other Massachusetts Avenue traffic. Second, many present urged everyone to drive slowly up and down Tulip Hill Terrace and Bent Branch Road.

A motion was made and approved to adjourn the meeting.



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Secretary, Tulip Hill Citizens Association