

**Tulip Hill Citizens Association
Spring / Summer Meeting – June 12, 2011
Minutes**

The spring / summer Tulip Hill Citizens Association (THCA) meeting took place on June 12, 2011, at Glen Echo Park.

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

Tulip Hill Terrace Entrance Landscaping. Liza described the ongoing work at the entrances to Tulip Hill Terrace.

Neighborhood Development. Liza mentioned that a development application had been filed for lots on the corner of Bent Branch Road and Mohican Road.

Emails Regarding Neighborhood Events. Everyone thanked Liza for her informative email updates on neighborhood events.

Neighborhood Listings. The meeting discussed listings of neighborhood kids and other residents of any age interested in neighborhood work. A proposal was mentioned to limit such listings to actual Tulip Hill Terrace residents looking for work. There was also discussion of listing recommendations of service providers. Angie's list (angieslist.com) and Checkbook (checkbook.org) list and rate service providers.

Financial Status of THCA. The percentage of Tulip Hill households that have been paying their THCA dues has increased to a record high of about 85% percent. Liza thanked everyone who has been active in collecting dues' payments. The THCA is solvent!

Feral Cats. Liza summarized the status of the feral cats discussion:

At the annual spring meeting of the Tulip Hill Citizens Association that was held on June 12, we discussed at length the problem of feral cats in Tulip Hill. The discussion focused on the following points: the feral cat population poses hazards to people and domestic animals in the neighborhood; and the feral cat population will continue to grow over time if left unchecked.

A plan for dealing with the feral cat problem was proposed by motion at the meeting, seconded, and approved unanimously. The plan is as follows:

- (i) The Association will research methods of dealing with the feral cat population, including spay/neuter/release and complete elimination.
- (ii) A decision on the method will be made fairly quickly, so as to eliminate further population growth.
- (iii) The Association will use treasury funds to deal with feral cat population control.

As noted above, this plan was unanimously approved at the meeting.

With this in mind, any neighbor who feels very strongly regarding any aspect of this plan should voice that to the President of the Association IN WRITING (either by email or by letter) no later than Sunday, July 24th, 2011.

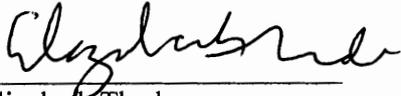
In the event we go with the spay/neuter/release program, it will be easier to trap the cats if they continue to have a consistent feeding place. If you have been feeding them, please continue to do so until further notice. At some point, I may ask that you stop feeding for a few days and then begin again. At that point, they would be trapped, spayed or neutered, vaccinated, and then released back into the neighborhood.

At the time when we impose action, it is important for all pet owners to be sure their cats are kept inside or clearly marked with current tags/licenses. I will let everyone know in advance when action will be taken.

Thank you for your time and attention to this important matter.

Liza Aronie

President, THCA



Elizabeth Thede
Secretary, Tulip Hill Citizens Association