

EDGEMERE/SACKVILL NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION MEETING

June 20, 2012

The meeting was brought to order by the Vice president, Syreeta Monroe, with a brief moment of silence.

NEW BUSINESS:

The first order of business was to recognize and allow our invited politicians to share with us their platform; there were also guest with us from the neighborhood to share insight on concerns and services. Each person was allowed to speak in order of arrival.

First up was Mrs. Gertrude Robinson, candidate for the school board district 3, her platform was focused on "Equity and Excellence for All Children". The next person to speak was Daniel Frazier running for the School board district 2; he had formerly held this position. His platform was "Commitment and Dedication". Mrs. Connie Hall was not in attendance because of another engagement but her candidacy was mentioned by Alderman John Hall.

Next up was District Attorney Larry Chisholm, who is running for re-election; his platform is his record and experience as a prosecutor. Property maintenance was represented by Inspector Moore, who addressed our concerns of illegal rooming houses in the area, unkempt property and Operation Clean Sweep. Fire station 1, Capt. Orr was the next speaker, he reminded the group that the station did free blood pressure checks (at the station) and home smoke detector checks in the home and provide free detectors for the citizens of Savannah, but do not furnish fire extinguishers nor carbon Monoxide detectors. Zena McClain also running for District Attorney, her platform was "Working to reduce crime".

OLD BUSINESS:

First were the results of our Beautification Contest, we had participated on 53rd, 54th and 55 streets. The winner was Cleve Jones, runner ups were Philip and Julie Scott, Arthur and Joan Williams and Jean Knight.

Our next order of business was neighborhood concerns. First up was officer Matir, Community Affairs Officer for the Wilmington Island Precinct. He began by turning the floor over to Capt. Charles Hall, Precinct commander. Capt. Hall informed us that there would be constant undercover and well as uniformed patrol in our area going forth. The floor was then turned over to Larry Brinson of the criminal division from SCMPD Headquarters, who gave us information on the shootout that happened in our community last week but persons not living in the Edgemere/Sackville are. He informed us that the main perpetrator was apprehended in. Last to speak was Maj. Richard Zapple, patrol commander for our area. He asked the group to report any activity you consider suspicious to 311. Other concerns were child molester within the neighborhood, how to get information as to where they reside within our area. Alderman John Hall was given the floor to explain that several programs were being put into place by SCMPD to be carried out in Edgemere/Sackville neighborhood to let the unwanted elements know that Savannah Police department nor the residents will tolerate this behavior. The fact that grocery store shopping cart are often found within the neighborhood and there does not seem to be a solution to having them removed was the next topic. Contacting the merchants was one of the suggestions. It contributes to the litter in the area.

Volunteers were requested for the various committees needed for the neighborhood. National Night Out was mention because of the need for committee members.

May's minutes were read silently, motioned and seconded to be accepted as written. Treasury report was given by the president, money was raised from a previous cookie sale. The treasure now has \$75.00. To bring home the fact that we need to report any suspicious activity the president read our Mission Statement.

Meeting was adjourned by the Vice President.

**Rosa Davis
President**

**Syretts Monroe
Vice President**

**Tina Watkins
Secretary**

List of attendants will be furnished upon request