

Meadowcreek Village Civic Club meeting

Minutes/Notes January 9, 2014

Meeting called to order by MVCC President Suzanne Riggerbach at 7:04 p.m.

Minutes

There was no meeting minutes to read: the December meeting was a Holiday Potluck gathering. President Suzanne gave a summary of the party: Our annual event was well attended with approximately 60 in attendance - a record breaker for us! We also had a visit from Santa Claus and Harris County deputies from Constable Chris Diaz's office. Kids took pictures with Santa, and were sworn in by the deputies as honorary peace officers. The kids were delighted to get their sticker badges. The park also enjoyed having a Christmas tree for the first time which was setup by Beautification Chairman Jose Rocha. A special thank you goes to **Park Director Juanita Sharpless** and the kids in the After-School Program at the park who decorated the Christmas tree.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Mark Clemmons: the treasurer's report was distributed in 3 files to the audience: including December 2013, January 2014 and Bring Back the Beauty! Replant the Trees!, which netted \$3093.06 all reports were approved as read.

Beautification committee chairman Jose Rocha: gave report about the Arbor Day Planting set for January 25. Jose remarked that he had contacted several school groups. The each group had committed a number of people. Jose also pointed out the "plat plan" map of the trees other details relating to the planting.

Houston City Council Member Dave Martin: discussed Capital Improvement Projects for **District E**, specifically for Meadowcreek Village and local surrounding area. Topics were: Economic development: why are there no major food chains in the area; reasons cited were: infrastructure and level of income; school location of the new Queens Intermediate limits the retail establishments that have alcohol. The city is also trying to rearrange or rewrite the Game Room ordinance(s).

Road improvements were also discussed: the Shaver Rd improvement started 6/2013. Road width will be 6 lanes with extensive drainage upgrades. The cost is approx. \$14MM; this is a TXDOT and City of Houston effort. Expected finish date was slated for 2015 but the project hit unexpected underground problems.

State Representative Carol Alvarado, Texas House of Representatives, District 145: was in attendance. In an effort to encourage people to keep their New Year's Resolutions, Rep. Alvarado is hosting a monthly "Run with the Rep." which is a monthly 3-mile run around the park's beautiful walking/jogging trail. Our first run/walk/jog will be Feb. 22 at 8am at Mason Park, 541 S 75th St, Houston, 77023.

For New business: Stuart Snow brought up the subject of "Adopt a Park" program. This has been tabled for more research.

Meeting was adjourned: 8:05pm.

Meeting minutes/notes respectfully submitted by Suzanne Riggerbach, substituting for Secretary Elizabeth Perez.