

**Freemason Street Area Association
General Membership Meeting
January 21, 2015**

Slover Library: Sixth Floor Conference Room

President Jack Kavanaugh called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

Board members present were: Jack Kavanaugh, Betty O’Garr, Greta Gustavson, Geraldine Roth, Jeff Brown, Marie Torans, Sarah Whiting, and Buster Wilson.

Jack opened the meeting by welcoming our new members to the neighborhood.

Greta Gustavson introduced Mr. William Inge the Assistant Historian of the Sargeant Memorial Collection of Old Norfolk now located on the second floor of the Slover Library. Mr. Inge talked about the history of the Freemason Area and provided many photos documenting it’s growth over many years. Following the meeting Mr. Inge conducted a tour of the new library.

Secretary’s Report— There was no secretary’s report.

Treasurer’s Report— It was reported that there is \$1410.00 in the treasury.

Membership Report—

- Condominiums (9): Payment received for Freemason Harbor
- Individual Members (115): 31 paid to date
- Businesses (16): 4 paid to date.

Crime Report—

Jack introduced Lt. Posch, Officers Brian Daley and Mick Angstrom.

- they reported several vehicle larcenies which occurred in Harbour Place and Harbour Heights condo garages included breaking of windows and theft of various items.
- they reported that the larcenies of vehicles on the streets were mostly on unlocked vehicles.
- they advised those residents concerned with young skateboarders on the streets that nothing could be done unless they posed a specific problem.
- they encouraged witnesses to crimes to take a picture and text it to #274639. Web tips are also accepted.

Historic Oversight Committee Report—

Gerry Roth reported those individuals who want to trim city trees need to obtain a permit from the Department of Parks & Urban Forestry.

Recycling Program—

Sarah Whiting reported 15 people donated two truckloads of electronic recyclable materials that were taken to the City’s recycling center.

Neighborhood Cleanup—

Sarah Whiting reminded us the neighborhood cleanup is scheduled for February 7th

Pagoda Update—

Madeline Sly thanked everyone who helped with the Holiday lights.

Historic Virginia Garden Week—

Greta reported this will be held on Thursday, April 23, 2015, in the Freemason neighborhood. Six private residences and the Hunter House Victorian Museum will be open for tours. People wishing to volunteer as hosts or hostesses should contact her.

Jack stated the next Board Meeting will be February 18th at Harbour Place and the next General Meeting will be at the at the YMCA on March 18th.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Betty O’Garr, Secretary