

# Scottfield Civic Association Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, December 12, 2007, 7:30 p.m., Gauger School

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Next Meeting Wednesday January 9, 2008
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Attendees: 15 Scottfield residents were in attendance and Councilman [Dave Tackett](#). If you would like additional information about any of the topics discussed at this meeting, please contact our board for a prompt.

1. **Treasurer's report:** Account balance \$6,629.83, 30.9% of residents are members
2. **Old Business: Updates**
  - a. Flooded waterway between Broadfield and industrial park has been addressed
    - i. Beaver dams were determined as the cause of the blockage
    - ii. The dams were broken up and one beaver (60 pounds!) was captured and relocated. Attempts will be made to capture and relocate remaining beavers.
  - b. Road repairs near Gauger School
    - i. The sinking manhole has been temporarily reinforced until DelDot can make permanent repairs
    - ii. The "short" stop sign at the entrance to Gauger was deemed property of the school
      1. Bill Oberle will bring it to the school board's attention
  - c. Address by Dave Tackett
    - i. Traffic control
      1. NCC Police in unmarked cars will be posted throughout the neighborhood to monitor and reduce speeding
      2. An increase of cruising marked vehicles is also planned
      3. Bill Oberle's office will also propose that Scottfield traffic flow be re-evaluated to increase safety in the neighborhood
    - ii. Neighborhood resource page: [www.co.new-castle.de.us/executive/home/webpage.asp](http://www.co.new-castle.de.us/executive/home/webpage.asp)
    - iii. Code violations
      1. Marked improvement has been made to homes sited with code violations
      2. Violation report form: [www.co.new-castle.de.us/LandUse/home/webpage35.asp](http://www.co.new-castle.de.us/LandUse/home/webpage35.asp)
    - iv. Stray dog control
      1. [www.kentcountypca.com](http://www.kentcountypca.com) or 888-352-7722, 302-698-3006
      2. Hotline if suspected rabies exposure or animal attack, 302-744-4545
      3. State laws requires all dogs to be licensed by March 1st
  - d. Entrance signs
    - i. They are completed and the Rt. 72 sign is installed.
    - ii. The contractor had a heart attack, delaying installation at Gender Drive and the shopping center.
    - iii. His son and son-in-law plan to install the signs as soon as they can.
  - e. Block Watch Training
    - i. About 20 people from Scottfield and surrounding communities attended the Block Watch Training on November 28<sup>th</sup> at the Brookside Community Center.
    - ii. The 2<sup>nd</sup> session was postponed twice, due to weather and facility scheduling. The next meeting is Wednesday, December 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00.
    - iii. Anyone interested in the Block Watch program is invited to attend

### 3. New Business

- a. Call for Street Representatives (aka Governors)
  - i. 4 of the 13 areas are currently open
    1. 3-27 Scottfield
    2. 145- 215 Scottfield
    3. Oakfield
    4. Manfield /Postfield
  - ii. Benefits
    1. A healthy walk once a month to deliver the SCAN (Sept-May)
    2. Get to know your neighbors at the SCA meetings (Sept-May)
    3. 50% discount on your annual dues
  - iii. Patty Fenlon, coordinator of SCAN distribution, delivered 90 additional SCANS on top of her own district to make sure her neighbors new the SCA was alive and healthy. Please step up and give her a hand.
- b. SCAN news
  - i. The SCAN will be produced and distributed in printed form after each SCA meeting to keep interest in the community growing
  - ii. Neighbors Helping Neighbors will be a regular feature
    1. SCA members in good standing can place an ad or announcement by emailing [sca@scottfield.org](mailto:sca@scottfield.org), mailing information to P. O. Box 7500, Newark, DE 19714 or giving info to a board member.
- c. House Decorating Judges
  - i. 3 neighborhood volunteers agreed to meet on Saturday night to tour the neighborhood and determine winners
    1. 1st Place =\$75.00, 2nd Place = \$50.00, 3rd Place = \$25.00
  - ii. SCAN will hold a place for announcement
- d. Visit the website [www.scottfield.org]
  - i. Most current announcements, member information and community news can be found a the continually updated website being maintained by our VP, Buel Mutter
  - ii. A counter will be added to the home page to reflect visitors
  - iii. Scottfield bylaws will be added for reference
- e. Verizon upgrade continues
  - i. Cable work continues with a new crew
  - ii. Previous crew was release because of multiple water line damage issues and improper licensing
- f. Operation Santa
  - i. Spark of will be rekindled next October because of timing
    1. What is it? Parents purchase and wrap a gift(s) for their child(ren). The gift, tagged with the child's name, address and age, is dropped off at a neighborhood home. At a predetermined time close to Christmas, Santa arrives bringing one advance gift to the good little children in the household.
  - ii. Does anyone have a Santa suit that they'd donate for day of the project?
  - iii. Any volunteers for the cast? Santa, Mrs. Claus, Elves?
- g. Easter Egg Hunt
  - i. Easter falls in March this year so planning will occur at the January meeting
  - ii. Would anyone like to coordinate the event?
  - iii. A company SCA has used before for sells 1000 candy or toy-filled eggs for \$129