

Scottfield Civic Association Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 12, 2008, 7:30 p.m., Gauger School

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Next Meeting Wednesday March 12, 2008

Attendees: 10 Scottfield residents were in attendance and CPAW advocate, Bill Wheatley. If you would like additional information about any of the topics discussed at this meeting, please contact our board for a prompt response.

1. **Treasurer's report:** Account balance \$7,897.62
 - a. 42.36% (244) residents are members; highest rate in 9 years at this point of the renewal cycle
2. **Old Business: Updates**
 - a. Sign at Penfield/Broadfield/Scottfield Dr knocked down on Christmas Eve has been repaired
 - b. A speed bump was lost when road near Penfield and Scottfield was repaved. Inquiries will be made about restoring it
 - c. Buses to Gauger-Cobbs are still cutting through the neighborhood
 - i. Police have been monitoring the bus traffic on Broadfield
 - ii. The vehicles seem to be detouring down Warfield and Eastfield to avoid intervention
 - iii. Residents are asked to note specific bus numbers cutting through the neighborhood and forward them to the SCA board through sca@scottfield.org
 - iv. We will escalate the issue with the school district and the bus company
 - d. Easter Egg Hunt
 - i. Noon, Saturday, March 15th, rain date - Sunday the 16th
 - ii. Sandy McVey, Shari McNally and Christine Riley are leading the event team
 1. Martha Taylor and Michael will head concessions
 - iii. Boy Scout Troop will be enlisted to help
 - iv. Eggs have arrived
 - v. Games/Face Painting/Community Tables are being planned
 - vi. Officer Friendly and the Ident-a-kid program will be sponsored by the County (tentative)
 - vii. House Rabbit Society and Faithful Friends are invited
 - viii. Volunteers welcome; call 738-6185 to get involved
 - e. Spring Yard Sale
 - i. April 4th and 5th to coincide with Gauger M.O.P. sale
3. **New Business**
 - a. Car break-ins and mischief tagging
 - i. Bill Wheatley, area coordinator of Crime Prevention Area Watch, provided a recent crime report. See the County crime mapping stats here: <http://www.nccde.org/sqlcrime.asp>
 - ii. A rash of car break-ins has prompted a formal patrol that will take place in the neighborhood on Friday, February 15th. Block Watch follow-ups will be coordinated.
 1. Tips to prevent theft, defend property, and protect yourself
 - a. ALWAYS lock vehicles; even in daylight or parked in your driveway
 - b. Turn on outside lights during evening hours
 - c. Place double-sided tape around your dashboard, glovebox, steering wheel, inside door, anywhere a thief might touch to obtain fingerprints for the police.

- d. Never engage thieves directly.
- e. Call 911 to report incidents in progress
- f. Give the most complete description possible
 - i. Include clothing details, gender, height, weight and race if able
 - ii. Note the get away direction or vehicle so police can pursue
- 2. Block Watch needs engaged volunteers to protect our neighborhood
 - a. Contact Block Watch Captain, Gwen Jones, 369-1373
 - b. A 15 minute Block Watch discussion to refine the reporting process and improve communication will follow the March 12th SCA meeting
- b. Elections
 - i. According to the community bylaws, elections for Officers and Governors/Street Representatives are held annually
 - ii. Nomination and voting through the website and via mailed ballot was approved by the majority in attendance as an amendment to the written bylaws, originally indicating voting by live ballot only
 - iii. The timeline of nominations and voting was not precisely determined
 - iv. Enough time will be given for nomination and voting for all interested individuals to take part
 - v. Guidelines:
 - 1. Anyone can nominate a current* SCA member to represent the community
 - a. *Nominated party must remit 07-08 dues by end of nomination period
 - b. Nominated parties will be contacted to verify willingness to accept post if elected
 - 2. Only current* SCA members can vote
 - a. *Membership paid before voting period ends
 - 3. Current SCA households may cast 2 votes
- c. Park Renovation
 - i. The county is willing refurbish and improve parks upon formal request
 - ii. Community wishes must be determined, prioritized and submitted in writing to the county
 - iii. Funds have been approved and appropriated to resurface the basketball and tennis courts and should be completed early this summer
 - iv. Playground equipment is power-washed and area re-mulched each spring
 - v. Operating funds allow for the repair/replacement of benches and grills as needed
 - vi. Request timed lighting?
 - vii. Stop down at the park before the March meeting and think about which of the features other county parks have should be added to Hann:

Baseball	Fitness Circuit	Horseshoes	Softball
Dog Park	Football	Museum	Street Hockey
Field Hockey	Handball	Paved Trails	T-Ball
Fishing	Hiking Trails	Pavilion/Gazebo	Volleyball
 - viii. Block Party at park in August is anticipated