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Public Meeting Minutes - 03 21, 2023
 Virtual Meeting via Zoom

MINUTES

ANC 3F convened their regular meeting on Tuesday, 03 21, 2023, virtually at <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82114414095?pwd=cUxsdlJBazJLaUJUVGtXV1pzNkNmQT09>. Meeting number: 9821 1441 4095 Password: Y9qzAp. The meeting was duly noticed and open to the public. Copies of resolutions approved are available at www.anc3f.com.

ITEM	VOTE	KEYWORDS
Adoption of Agenda	6-0-0, passed.	Agenda amended.
Approval of Minutes for Feb 21st, 2023	6-0-0, passed.	
Resolution Regarding DC Water’s Main and Trunk Sewer Lines Relining Project in Soapstone Valley: Issues of CIPP Curing Method, Need for Shut Down Provision, Insulating Cover for Sump Pump near Albemarle Ave Trailhead, and Construction and Maintenance of By-pass System	6-0-0, passed.	
Resolution Encouraging the National Park Service to Install E.coli and other hazardous dissolved materials warning signs at Rock Creek Park Trailheads for Trails with Creek Crossings, Warning hikers and trail users to refrain from contact with creek waters due to the high levels of E. coli and other potentially hazardous dissolved materials	6-0-0, passed.	
BZA Case Number #20887	6-0-0, passed.	
4652-4656 Broad Branch Rd	6-0-0, passed.	

BZA Case Number #20830	6-0-0, passed.	
New Sidewalk Cafe Un-Enclosed at 5010 Connecticut Avenue NW	6-0-0, postponed.	Petitioner not present.
4483 Conn. Ave, Shemalis TOPS application for New Sidewalk Cafe - Un Closed Tracking 1098947	6-0-0, passed.	
Resolution Supporting Lights-Out Hour DC's Earth Hour Event	6-0-0, passed.	

Welcome

Call to Order

Roll Call

I. Adoption of the 03/21/2023 ANC 3F meeting agenda

- The agenda was amended to remove the grant application as pertaining to the ANC's resolution for additional signage along Rock Creek Park to denote hazardous substances in the water.
- Agenda adopted as amended 6-0-0, all in favor.

II. Approval of ANC 3F meeting minutes for 02 21, 2023

- Minutes adopted without amendment.

III. Regular Agenda - Commissioner Updates and Announcements

- **Mitch Baer (3F03):** Discussed errant shopping carts around the neighborhood from Giant with Giant management
 - Any action regarding shopping carts must be discussed with corporate
 - Fire was in the Giant parking garage, with details from Teri Huet
 - Pool at Jackson-Reed closed for some time, violation of health ordinances it appears, uncertain when it will reopen
- **James Tandaric (3F05):**
 - No updates
- **Ryan Cudemus-Brunoli (3F01):**
 - Followed up with the pool, community liaison wanted to call instead of putting it in email. Has not followed up with the phone call.
- **Teri Huet (3F02):**

- Conducted the property manager meeting with the housing committee last week, summary will be sent out next week.
- **Courtney Carlson (3F06):**
 - No updates.
- **Claudette David (3F04):**
 - No updates.

IV. Regular Agenda – Committee Reports

- **Streets & Sidewalks**
 - Paul Harrison (Committee Chair): Continuing to follow Connecticut Ave study.
 - Committee will put their next meeting on the ANC calendar for an April 8th community walk.
 - Committee has been working on stop signs and crosswalks, specifically the intersection of Fessenden and Linnean; a 3-way stop sign will be installed and the committee is working to get a painted crosswalk at that intersection.
- **Parks & Watersheds**
 - Mitchell Baer: No updates
- **Schools & Universities**
 - James Tandaric:
 - Has met with various schools / universities in the area
 - UDC: Working on future meetings.
 - Howard Law: The university is working on a new campus master plan.
 - Sheridan School: Performing new construction and sidewalk build-out
 - Next meeting March 28th, anyone can request to be put on the listserv: 3f05@anc.dc.gov.
 - A constituent asked about touring the old Whittle School - Can be arranged, but nothing planned currently.
- **Housing & Neighborhoods**
 - Teri Huet:
 - No updates besides the property manager meeting last week. Next meeting May 2nd, email 3f02@anc.dc.gov to be put on the listserv.

V. Regular Agenda - Community Forum (community leaders and agencies give brief updates)

- **University of the District of Columbia**
 - DC Council will conduct its budget oversight hearing on March 30th at 9 am, open to the public.
- **Edmund Burke School**

- Steve McManus, newly appointed Head of School for Edmund Burke: Invites anyone to reach out and if they would like to visit the school or discuss local issues related to the school: Steve.mcmanus@burkeschool.org
- Van Ness Main Street
 - Gloria Garcia:
 - Marlene Berlin voted in as interim president of VNMS board.
 - Honey Bee Goods will be taking over the Sugar Fox space.
 - Last Saturday two cars suffered break-ins while patronizing businesses in the area.
 - Events planned for the year:
 - April 29th VNMS fundraiser community celebration.
 - Movie Nights will continue this Summer, 2 in June 2 in July
 - September 29th Art All Night
 - October 29th spooktacular,
- Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services
 - Not present.
- CM Frumin's Office
 - Christian Damiana (Matt Frumin's Communications Director):
 - Tomorrow morning Bowser presents budget to the Council, Council Member Frumin will continue to advocate for his budget priorities
 - This past Monday, 3/20, CM Frumin introduced the Rent Stabilization Protection Amendment Act of 2023
 - Act will remove housing vouchers from rent stabilization laws, allowing vouchers to coexist with rent control without preventing the other. Legislation is meant to avoid artificially inflated rents.
 - CM Robert White has committed to hold a hearing on the legislation.
 - Constituent: Requests an explanation on how things will work with the bill, curious how the city's payments to landlords will be brought under control.
 - Christian Damiana: Act will allow DCHA to negotiate a reasonable rent, will apply federal rent reasonableness to rent-stabilized buildings. Only applies to new leases, not current ones, when leases are renewed they can be renegotiated along the same lines.
 - Encourages usage of constituent services form on CM Frumin'.

VI. Regular Agenda - Information Items

- ANC 3F Public Safety Update from Second District, Metropolitan Police Department
 - Not present.
- DC Water Update
 - DC Water provided updates on its CIPP relining in a presentation. Please view the meeting's recorded video for specifics from the presentation.
 - Anticipated CIPP schedule provided, noted that weather and other unforeseen events can delay the schedule
 - Remaining portions of streamwork may cause high noise: heavy rock delivery and hauling, stream bypass pumping, sewer bypass pumping.
 - To be added to weekly project updates soapstone.info@dcwater.com
 - If there is an emission of air pollutants over the listed limits no shut down provision
 - Constituent: Question whether bypass pipe can withstand a tree falling on it, wondering whether a bypass pipe being obstructed in some way whether that would stop the process.
 - DC Water: No immediate answer.
 - Constituent: Interested in what the monitoring equipment looks like, interested in the refrigerator truck since that is where emissions can leak quickly.
 - DC Water: Lab results are back on Fridays.
 - Mitch Baer: Continuing question of Site 1 tree whether it would be cut down, would like to be kept in the loop for what happens between NPS and the tree.
- Resolution Regarding DC Water's Main and Trunk Sewer Lines Relining Project in Soapstone Valley: Issues of CIPP Curing Method, Need for Shut Down Provision, Insulating Cover for Sump Pump near Albemarle Ave Trailhead, and Construction and Maintenance of By-pass System. (8:22pm - 8:42pm)
 - Mitch Baer presented the resolution.
 - **6-0-0 vote, all-in-favor, passed.**
- Resolution Encouraging the National Park Service to Install E.coli and other hazardous dissolved materials warning signs at Rock Creek Park Trailheads for Trails with Creek Crossings, Warning hikers and trail users to refrain from contact with creek waters due to the high levels of E. coli and other potentially hazardous dissolved materials. (8:43pm - 8:53pm)
 - Mitch Baer presented
 - Constituent: Wonders whether these levels are the new normal, or whether they will improve. Does not know whether these signs would solve a problem, concerned whether this is an effective use of resources?
 - Constituent (in response): Was not concerned with the levels until she spoke with the USGS that was taking samples at Joyce Road in Rock

Creek. Scientists that were sampling told constituent that they should warn people to not go into the water.

- Constituent: Was told that E. Coli gets into streams very frequently, was told no reason for concern unless you get food poisoning. Unsure whether the levels are practically hazardous based off of research several years ago. Wondering whether we should conduct more research whether these levels are high enough to merit warning signs.
- Baer: NPS has awarded a grant to Rock Creek Conservancy to put up signs in some areas of the watershed in Montgomery County, MD. We are not raising an issue that is an issue that hasn't already been brought, up, what we are asking for is additional signage in an area that people go and frequently get into the water.
- **6-0-0, all-in-favor, passed.**
- Grant Application to fund E.coli and other hazardous dissolved materials warning notices throughout Rock Creek Park. (8:54pm -9:04pm)
 - Tabled until April '23, struck from agenda.
- Grant Application for Friends of Pierce Mill on The Mid-Atlantic Grain Fair and Conference (9:05pm - 9:10pm)
 - James Tandaric introduced Angela Kramer of Friends of Peirce Mill, not voting on it until the April meeting.
 - Angela Kramer:
 - Briefly presented on the history of the Mill.
 - Presented on the Mid-Atlantic Grain Fair and Conference:
 - Sunday October 22nd, 2023. Mill will be running. Partnering with the grain alliance.
 - Hoping to close Shoemaker Street for the day to create an area where local farmers can sell grain and baked good.
 - Will work with the Mayor's office to help make the street closure happen.
 - Email education@friendsofpeircemill.org for more information.

VII. Regular Agenda - (ANC 3F will vote on these items) (8:43pm - 9:10pm)

- BZA Case Number #20887. Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands. Parking Structure Replacement Project. Relief: Special Exemption - Foreign Mission. To construct a 3-story accessory parking garage to an existing, detached chancery building in the R-8 zone. 4200 Linnean Ave. NW; Square 2049, Lot 808 (9:12pm - 9:22pm)
 - Mitch: Introduced personnel from the embassy.
 - Embassy personnel presented on the construction of the parking garage, which will be located on Linnean Avenue.
 - **6-0-0, all-in-favor, passed.**

- 4652-4656 Broad Branch Rd. application for Paving; Curb and Gutters, Paving; Driveways New - Residential, Paving; Sidewalk(s), Paving; ADA Curb Ramp (9:23pm - 9:33pm)
 - 3 new single family homes, curb cut and driveway. Aiming to not disturb the environment as much as possible.
 - Coordinated with UFA for sidewalk design and Office of Planning and Commission of Fine Arts
 - Neighbors have expressed support, no official letters.
 - **6-0-0, all-in-favor, passed.**
- BZA Case Number #20830 - Relief for 10 foot set-back for an addition at 5211 Chevy Chase Parkway, NW (9:34pm - 9:44pm)
 - An addition to the rear of the resident's house, similar zoning relief across ANC 3F.
 - **6-0-0 passed, all-in-favor, passed.**
- New Sidewalk Cafe Un-Enclosed at 5010 Connecticut Avenue NW ANC 3F
 - Courtney Carlson: Request from Rosemary's Bistro to add additional seating in front of the nail salon adjacent to their property. The applicant was not present at the meeting. Courtney met with the restaurant manager and will continue to work with Rosemary's Bistro on this application.
 - Motion to postpone hearing this case pending on requesting the appropriate DC agency postpone the application pending community input.
 - **6-0-0, all-in-favor, postponement of vote passed.**
- 4483 Conn. Ave, Shemalis TOPS application for New Sidewalk Cafe - Un Closed Tracking 10989475 (9:45pm - 9:55pm)
 - Elias Shemalis presented on their application to become a cafe, add hot food preparation on location, and add an outdoor seating area.
 - Will add 3 tables for a total seating for 10, will be split between the CT Ave side and the Albemarle Side. Plans to add moveable partitions.
 - Discussion ensued on spacing and pedestrian traffic.
 - **6-0-0, all-in-favor, passed.**
- Resolution Supporting Lights-Out Hour DC's Earth Hour Event (9:56pm -10:05pm)
 - Ryan CB presented.
 - **ANC approved 6-0-0, all-in-favor, passed.**

VII. Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn, all-in-favor, passed 6-0-0.
- **Adjourned: 9:43 pm.**