

BRADDOCK DISTRICT COUNCIL

of Community Associations

Minutes for March 13, 2013

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“Fairfax County FY 2014 Advertised Budget Plan” Wednesday, March 13, 2013

Chair:

- Called to Order at 7:30 PM
- BDC minutes were accepted and seconded from the February 13th meeting
- Announced March 20 meeting for the Aging in Place Committee will be held at the Braddock Supervisor’s Office, 9002 Burke Lake Road, Burke, VA. The topics will be concerning transportation for the older adults. Shepherd Center of Fairfax – Burke will present information about their transportation program and Fairfax County will present available Transportation Resources.
- Announced Michael Perel gave follow-up information NOVA Annandale Campus regarding parking issues.
- Announced new HOA requirements by the Commonwealth of Virginia that require filing of financial status reports electronically. But HOAs must use approved software from Virginia costing from \$750 to \$1,200.
- Announced William Barfield will have further discussion at the May meeting concerning the proposed By-Laws change concerning the minimum number of meetings to be held throughout the year.
- Announced Ms. Christina Jackson and Mr. Joe Lahit are presenting the Fairfax County FY 2014 Advertised Budget Plan.
- Next BDC Meeting - April 10th – Legislative Forum with Fairfax Senators and Representatives
- Reminded Attendees of BDC website: <http://www.bdcfx.org>

Treasurer’s Report (Mar 13, 2013)

BB&T account balance a/o Feb 13:	\$5,714.61
BDC dues received (Feb):	\$ 275.00
BDC expenses paid (Feb):	\$ 277.71
Website – 2 yr. renewal \$141.78;	
Information forum – food and drinks \$135.93	
BDC account balance a/o Mar 13:	\$4,360.22
Braddock Beautification balance a/o Mar 13:	\$1,024.96
Mary Read Memorial balance a/o Mar 13:	\$ 326.72
BB&T account balance a/o Mar 13:	\$5,711.90

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Paid Members: 35

Dues Received: \$1,850

Supervisor John Cook, Braddock District:

- Final application has been filed for the Monticello Dog Park.
- Storm water ordinances zoning since 1976 has changed 430 times in Fairfax County. Fairfax Water Commission wants to do a new publication but is still waiting for procedures to treat storm runoff. No date for the revised procedures yet. This ordinance is a big deal in Fairfax County because it will affect many people. The restriction will deal with anything being built. The water will have to be captured even if it is an addition to your home. Public lands will also need to build drains for the water run-off.
- Recommends the BDC get a nomination committee for upcoming elections for President, Vice President, and Treasurer positions that will reach their term limit.
- Monday, April 2 there will be a Town Hall concerning the Fairfax County FY 2014 Advertised Budget Plan at Robinson High School with Ed Long.

Michael Perel, NOVA Parking Issues:

- Follow-up information regarding the safety problems caused by community college students parking in the Wakefield Chapel Road neighborhood:
 - Six presidents of civic/homeowners associations signed a letter to the community college and our elected representatives about the safety problem and effect on our neighborhoods that the student traffic and parking are causing. Among the things the letter pointed out are the following.
 - Student parking on our residential streets is a major safety problem in addition to adversely impacting the quality of life of the neighborhood.
 - The reason students park on our residential streets is that the college charges almost \$100 per semester to park
 - Many other Virginia Community Colleges do not charge for parking
 - By not taking responsibility for the problem, they have caused residents to set up RPPDs, which unfairly shifts the burden to our community and does not really solve the problem—students will find other streets to park, even across Little River Turnpike
- Supervisor Cook held a community meeting at the end of Feb at which the Provost of the campus said they were looking into several options to alleviate the problem. Unfortunately, these options, for example, include the ability of students to incorporate parking fees in financial aid and setting up shuttle buses between campuses show that they do not understand the causes of the problem.
- The online petition to mobilize the community to push for elimination of parking fees continues to attract signers—91, many of whom have posted descriptions of close calls they have encountered with students. This is the petition link:
<https://www.change.org/petitions/nvcc-annandale-campus-change-policies-that-endanger-safety-of-your-students-and-our-neighborhood>
- A number of online news articles have appeared and are giving the issue additional publicity. Here is the latest: <http://www.fairfaxtimes.com/article/20130313/NEWS/130319613/1117/nvcc-x2019-s-growing-creates-parking-pains-for-neighbors&template=fairfaxTimes>

Fairfax County FY 2014 Advertised Budget Plan

Ms. Christina Jackson, Mr. Joe Lahit:

- Presented FY 2014 Advertised Budget Plan, this includes a multi-year budget: FY 2014-2015. For budget information refer to the website: www.fairfaxcounty.gov/budget.
- There was good interaction between the BDC members and the presenters of the budget plan. They presented budget information about schools, real estate taxes, and transportation. Feedback on the budget proposal is appreciated. Please go to the website: www.fairfaxcounty.gov/budget/fy14-advertised-input.htm to submit your feedback for the Advertised FY 14 Budget.
- Public hearings for the FY 2014 Budget will be on April 9-11, 2013. To sign up to speak at one of the public hearings, call the Clerk to the Board's Office at (703) 324-3151 or (703) 324-2391 or to access the form to sign up to speak, go to https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/bosclerk/speaker_bos.htm. The public can send written testimony or communicate with the Clerk's Office by email at: clerktothebos@fairfaxcounty.gov.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:45 PM (29 attendees)

Submitted by
Barbara Varvaglione, Secretary, BDC

Approved by
William Barfield, Chairman
18 April 2013