

AACA General Meeting
February 26, 2020

President Carolyn Freeman convened the meeting at 7:07pm and delivered her President's Message. She introduced the board members present: At large members Ruth Staunton, Sherry Hilsher, and Andrew Bridges, and Diane Ditzler, Secretary.

Committee Reports

No Treasurers Report due to Diane Tuluceanu, Treasurer, being unable to attend.

Communications Committee: Sherry Hilsher has built a new website at annandaleacres.com due to previous usurping of the AA dot org address. The new website is mobile device compatible. Attending residents asked for some additional information to be placed on the website, including news items, such as the Underground Wire Project, Census info, Mason District and Franconia District meeting dates, and a link to Fairfax County Zoning website.

As these items were discussed residents expressed interest in having an informational meeting on the underground wire project, as well as having a Census 2020 outreach effort in the neighborhood.

Neighborhood Watch: President Freeman had shared in her opening message the recent thefts in the neighborhood and the need to watch out for our neighbors. Getting the official designation from the local law enforcement requires certifying patrols and more. The discussion centered on things we can do ourselves. Since most of the recent incidents were crimes of opportunity it is being vigilant about locking up (e.g. set an alarm nightly as reminder), consider motion detector lighting or a Ring Doorbell camera.

Events Committee: Joseph Nam Do reported out on the Food Drive in February which was highly successful – 6 shopping carts full of food was delivered to the Food Pantry for ACCA, the Annandale Christian Community or Action, which is an affiliation of all Christian churches in Annandale. There are many volunteer opportunities available thru this group (daytime), as well as other opportunities that Joe has researched where we could volunteer as part of a community building activity including: homeless shelter in Baileys; serving dinner, home spring cleanup for seniors. Joe also brought up the idea of a Spring Cleanup in the neighborhood, possibly in March, and a sign up sheet was passed around. Joe also raised the idea to bring our delegate Kaye Kory to a future meeting. Another idea for a community event is to have Music Nights at various neighbor homes as we have many musicians and singers.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:37 pm and a social followed.