**Meeting Minutes: Sandy Spring Civic Association November 13, 2023**

* Meeting called to order at 6:36 PM by Daryl Thorne.
* SSCA Board members present were Daryl T., Christine W., Doug F., & Whit W.
* This meeting was a hybrid meeting attended by approximately 21 members and guests.
* Guests in attendance were: Erib Kraut, ( Chief of Staff, for County Council Member Dawn Luedtke), and Liz Brigham & Cheri De Moss representing Ashton 108 residents
* Presentation by guests provided by 108 residents opposing a proposed 8,000 square foot **Korean Church Senior Center.** Proposed adult day center is approx 4 levels and provide services to approximately 200 guests, M-F. Developer has yet to submit preliminary plans to MNPPC, but residents expressed several concerns:
  + Size and scale of the facility
  + Rural community
  + Parking/traffic on a perceived unsafe 108 road.
  + Water system (neighbors presented documentation from Fogel’s Well Drilling, LLC indicating could not perk water table after drilling 600’
  + Proposed space possibly not properly zoned under Thrive 2050 rural cluster zone.
  + No set date for a public hearing and very limited communication from developer’s legal representatives after numerous attempts to contact them.
* **Conclusion**: SSCA will wait to see what Preliminary Plan is submitted to MNPPC and asked to be kept updated by neighbors as the process moves forward.
* **Regular Order**: Minutes for the October 2023 were accepted and approved w/out comments.
* **Treasurer’s Report**: Provided by Christine W.
  + Operating Balance: approx $ 1,119.00
  + Scholarship Balance: approx $5,602.00
  + CD Balance: approx. $2,669.00
  + Received $10.00 in dues and a $300.00 scholarship donation.
* **Transportation Report:**Provided by Karen Slater.
  + Brooke Rd/108 design study completed w/”right of way” concerns noted. Project incorporated NH Ave to Norwood Rd project (walking path, cross walk & sidewalks). More funding required with a target date for completion Spring/summer 2025.
  + Brooke Rd and Chandlee Mill Rd repaving project is on-going.
* **New Business/Discussion:**
  + HOA members available in SSCA, modeling GOCA. An annual HOA membership fee is TBD.
  + SSCA will need to update by-laws to reflect the proposed change. Doug F. will review and present at Dec meeting.
  + Discussion by membership regarding minimum required meeting attendance in order to vote, dues must be current for voting eligibility.
  + Food drive for Sharpe Street & Ross Boddy ( Dec 15 deadline).
  + Holiday gathering Dec 11 immediately following monthly meeting @ Ross Boddy. Members asked to bring paper goods and supplies for event.
  + Slate of officers for 2024 presented and unanimously approved by membership: President, Daryl Thorne; Vice -President, Whit Whitaker; Treasurer, Christine Hill Wilson; Recording Secretary, Doug Farquhar; Corresponding Secretary, Doug Farquhar; Parliamentarian, Bill Thomas.
  + Meeting adjourned at 7:54 PM, NEXT Meeting is a hybrid meeting Dec 11, 2023, 6:30 PM.