

## **WEMCA General Membership Meeting**

March 28, 2022

Open Meeting- 7:00 pm

Board Member Introductions

## Special Guests

- Dan Schmitt-
  - Reviewed history of Henrico County supporting the redevelopment of WEMCA
    - Success of WEMCA's NNO in August 2021
  - Current Henrico County new
    - Fire Station 12 will be supported with new fire station on Staples Mill
    - Updates to Longan Elementary School, new school will be voted on in November 2022
    - Tax refund for all property owners
- Tony McDowell-
  - Work on WEMCA continued even though COVID
- Sudeshna Das-Menezes-
  - Discussed Henrico Community Foodbank and partnership with WEMCA
- West End Baptist Church Elders-
  - Partnership with WEMCA not just through renting building, but also wanting to partner on community events
- Office Fick-
  - Discussed coverage area
  - Reviewed current community concerns-
    - Issues with car break-ins, guns stolen from cars, unlocked cars
    - Increase in crime in West End- gang related, narcotics, in hotels on Broad Street
    - Complaints on speeding- specials to target speeding in neighborhood
  - Member Concerns- wants speed sign on Meadowgreen Road, continued speeding issues on Huron and West End Drive, Cars going around buses and cars that are turning, issues with Tesla dealership and their trucks blocking the road, cars racing Hungry Road early in the morning

## Board Reports

- Dan S.
  - o Discussion of building and grounds improvements over past few years
  - Funding from Henrico County
- Dan H.-
  - Discussed current budget and needs to continue to bring in funds to support ongoing maintenance and improvement needs of WEMCA



- Jimmy-
  - Discussed updates and improvements to community building wifi and security
  - Discussed updates to website and social media for WEMCA
- Allen
  - o WEMCA Blood Drive- August 9<sup>th</sup>, signup on WEMCA website
  - o Nomination of Board Members-
    - Reviewed current board members running
    - Application process for running to be a board member (must be current WEMCA member in good standing, complete application online and email to nominations@wemca.us)
    - Sara will send out write up of those running to all members prior to elections on May 23rd
- Craig-
  - Reviewed WEMCA mission and values
  - Focus on community connections and coming together
- Sara-
  - Reviewed WEMCA calendar
  - Requested feedback on events and activities WEMCA members want to do/see
  - Discussed need for volunteers on various committees (see info on WEMCA website)

Next General Membership Meeting- Monday, May 23rd at 7pm