

# **MONROE PARK ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING NOTES**

## **July 09, 2008**

### ***Turk Sties, Presiding***

#### Members Attending:

David Clinger, Pat Daniels, James Hill, Elinor Kuhn, Brian Ohlinger, Janice Nuckolls, John Peters, Turk Sties, and Todd Woodson.

#### Guests Attending:

Patrick Blackwell, VCU.

Mr. Sties opened the meeting by welcoming everyone.

The notes from the previous June meeting were accepted.

Pat Daniels wanted to give out a general announcement concerning her e-mail. She requested that everyone use this e-mail: [prdaniels@ourfanhomes.com](mailto:prdaniels@ourfanhomes.com)  
The other old e-mail address will be disconnected.

Elinor Kuhn gave a report on the VCU Village/Fall Festival. She reports that neighborhood groups such as the Monroe Park Advisory Council and the Friends of Monroe Park will be given a table and tent for displays and informational brochures at the VCU 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Fall Festival. Everyone on the Advisory Council agreed that this was a wonderful opportunity to boost the park and inform people of the activities that are on-going in terms of its renovation and restoration. Ideas that were discussed for displays included pictures of the park from the past and the recently completed Monroe Park Master Plan. Larry Miller offered to work with the Advisory Council to help create some displays. Ms. Kuhn also reported that she and Mr. Sties will be meeting with VCU in August and will report back.

James Hill suggested that, since this is a long day to be “manning” our display booth, we set up a rotating scheduling of two hour shifts. Everyone on the Advisory Council was in favor of this approach.

Discussion of this effort will continue in the August meeting.

Todd Woodson reported that Mr. Pantele has requested that the City Attorney extend the terms of the MPAC to allow them to continue their work. It is hoped that this Council paper will come forward in September.

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Mr. Blackwell of VCU reported that the park appears to be fairly stable in terms of illegal activities but he did note that there was a great deal of litter in the park on Sundays. Larry was asked to check on the City Code as it relates to littering and dumping and to bring a copy of it to next month's meeting.

One of the ideas suggested in the broad conversation of littering and homeless issues was that perhaps the Advisory Council could work with Homeward to offer bus passes to the Conrad Center. This may induce some of the homeless folks to go to the Conrad Center for some of their meetings. There was a general compliment about how nice the fountain and the flowers in the park look.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned until August 14, 2008 at 4:00 p.m.

## **MEETING NOTICE**

### **MONROE PARK ADVISORY COUNCIL**

**Thursday, 14 August, 2008 at 4:00 p.m.**

**Location:                    RICHMOND'S LANDMARK THEATER  
                                 Lounge B - Upstairs  
                                 6 NORTH LAUREL STREET  
                                 RICHMOND, VA 23220**