

MINUTES
ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 3F
NORTH CLEVELAND PARK/FOREST HILLS
PUBLIC MEETING
Capital Memorial Church
3150 Chesapeake Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20008
APRIL 16, 2001

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Bardin called the meeting to order at 7:34pm. Commissioners Kogan, Perry, Maudlin, Mitchell, and Wiss were present. With six of seven commissioners present, Chair Bardin declared a quorum.

2. AGENDA

The meeting agenda was revised by moving the Second District, MPD, Report to the first item and Nebraska Avenue and Chesapeake Street traffic light item to follow The Owl's Nest. The revised agenda was adopted. 6-0-0 (See attached agenda)

3. MINUTES

Minutes of the March 19, 2001 ANC3F meeting were approved after adding a "d" to the last line on page 3 by motion of Commissioner Perry, seconded by Commissioner Mitchell. 6-0-0

4. POLICE REPORT

Sgt. Hays of PSA 201, 2nd District MPD, reported that there had been 12 offences during the first half of April which compared with 16 during the similar period in 2000 and that there had been a decline from 113 offences during the period January 1, 2000 to 102 offences during the similar period this year. Sgt. Hays said the reduction was due to additional patrols in the area. Commissioner Kogan requested that future reports cover the entire area of ANC3F.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Commissioner Perry announced the Million Mom March on Mother's Day, May 13, from 7th and Madison Streets to Freedom Plaza starting at 12:00 noon.

B. Commissioner Wiss announced that from 12:00 to 4:00 on, April 28, at the Hechinger Building, Albemarle Street and Wisconsin Avenue the Taste of Tenleytown with 20 restaurants participating plus a youth book sale to benefit the Tenicy-Friendship Library and Plant sale to benefit the Janney Elementary School.

(Commissioner Oglesby took her seat.)

C. Ms. Barbara Simons, President of the Forest Hills Citizens Association announced the spring meeting on April 24, at the Bombay Caf6 4221-B Connecticut Avenue. Councilmembers Brazil and Mendelson will speak at the meeting.

D. Chair Bardin announced that the proposed Edmund Burke School expansion (BZA Application No. 16611) and Van Ness Liquor license renewal will be considered at a special ANC3F meeting on April 23, at 7:30 pm at the Capital Memorial Church.

6. OPEN FORUM

A. Dr. Barbara Kogan reported on an April 12, meeting where Ms. Molly Raphael, DC Public Library System Director, discussed the building of a new Tenley Friendship library building scheduled for design in 2002 and construction during 2003-04.

7. REDISTRICTING

Councilmember Phil Mendelson, Chairman of the Subcommittee on Redistricting, reported on the activities of the DC Council to redistrict the eight DC wards to equalize populations of the wards based on the 2000 census. He said the target population for each ward is 71,507 and that Ward 3 is 8,059 over this number. This means that the boundaries of ward 3 need to be changed to move residents into Wards 1, 2 or 4.

A town hall meeting on Ward 3 redistricting is scheduled for April 17, the third Subcommittee hearing on redistricting is scheduled for April 23, markup of legislation is scheduled for April 26, and the Council will act on June 5.

8. ADVISORY ACTION ITEMS

A. Application to Commission of Fine Arts for Conceptual Approval of House and Bridge at 2800 Davenport Street

Commissioner Maudlin, chairman of an Ad Hoc Committee on 2800 Davenport Street, presented the committee's report which concluded with a recommendation that the Commission of Fine Arts (CFA) reject the application because the proposed house would impair the public values of Rock Creek Park and have the potential to degrade the property and a stream on the site which is a tributary to Broad Branch and Rock Creek.

The applicants, Ms. Judith Rabinowitz and Mr. Joel Fischman presented a rebuttal to the report.

Commissioner Maudlin made a motion for acceptance and approval of the report. The motion was approved 6-1-0. (Commissioner Oglesby

voted no) (See attached Rep 01-01)

By consensus Commissioner Maudlin was appointed to represent ANC3F before the CFA.

B. Applications for Historic Landmark Designation and Raze Permit for the Owl's Nest, 3031 Gates Road

Mr. Gary Stevens, president of the Forest Hills Neighborhood Alliance (FHNA), Mr. Steven Gresham, architect, Ms. Judith H. Robinson, architectural historian and Mr. Richard B. Nettler, attorney for FHNA presented information supporting the application for historic landmark designation of the Owl's Nest. Ms. Margaret Hahn, President of the Jewish Primary Day School of the Nations Capital, introduced Jeffrey Colman, Daniel Shapiro and Jared Gordon who presented information on JPDS-NC activities in applying for a raze permit after the final settlement on the property on February 23, 2001. The JPDS-NC representatives said the school wanted the option to raze the Owl's Nest to give them more flexibility in using the site and questioned the appropriateness of historic designation of the property. Commissioner Maudlin offered a resolution, seconded by Commissioner Kogan supporting historic designation of the Owl's Nest and recommending that DCRA rescind or declare the raze permit null and void. The resolution was adopted 5-2-0. (Commissioner Mitchell and Oglesby voting no) (Copy of Res 01-06 attached)

C. Traffic Light for Nebraska Avenue and Chesapeake Street

Commissioner Wiss offered a resolution requesting installation of a traffic light at the intersection of Nebraska Avenue and Chesapeake Street, N.W. Commissioner Perry seconded the motion and it was adopted, 7-0-0 (See attached Res 01-07)

9. Reports

A. Ward 3 Traffic Summit

The Commission put off the report on the Ward 3 Traffic Summit.

B. Ward 3 Redistricting

Commissioners Mitchell and Perry submitted a written report on a meeting held by Councilmember Kathy Patterson to discuss Ward 3 redistricting with representatives of ANCs and civic associations. (Copy of report attached.)

10. ANC3F BUSINESS ITEMS

A. Proposed amendments to ANC3F By-laws

Commissioner Bardin moved and Commissioner Perry seconded the second reading of proposed amendments to the ANC3F's By-law that were approved at the March 19, 2001 meeting. The motion was approved. 7-0-0.

B. Treasurer's March monthly report and Quarterly Report to DC Auditor for 2nd Quarter of FY2001 (January-March 2001)

Commissioner Mitchell presented the monthly report for March 2001. (Copy attached)

Commissioner Mitchell presented the 2nd Quarter Report for FY2001 which was approved after second by Commissioner Perry. 7-0-0 (copy attached)

C. Authorization of Expenditures

Commissioner Mitchell moved an increase of \$555.00 in authorized expenditures of ANC3F to include: regular meetings \$350.00, special meeting \$100.00, local transportation \$100.00, and Post Office box \$5.00. The increase for the regular meetings is to cover the cost of using the Church PA system. Commissioner Mitchell's motion was seconded by Commissioner Perry and adopted. 7-0-0.

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:05pm 7-0-0.

The next meeting is a special meeting on April 23, 2001 at 7:30pm at the Capital Memorial Church.

The next regular monthly business meeting is May 21, 2001 at 7:30pm at the Capital Memorial Church.

Respectfully,

Robert V. Maudlin
Secretary