

February 23, 2015

Martinsville City Council Neighborhood Meeting for the Northside area was held on February 23, 2015 at McCabe Memorial Baptist Church, 107 Clearview Drive, Martinsville, VA at 7:30 PM, with Mayor Danny Turner presiding and Council members present including: Vice Mayor Jennifer Bowles, Gene Teague, Mark Stroud, and Sharon Brooks Hodge. Eric Monday was absent. Staff present: Leon Towarnicki, Brenda Prillaman, Karen Roberts, Wayne Knox, Coretha Gravely, Rob Fincher, Kenneth Draper, Andy Powers and Ted Anderson.

Mayor Turner called the meeting to order and Council Member Teague gave the invocation. Andy Powers provided an update on the property maintenance report and Wayne Knox provided a detailed update on the Northside CDBG project.

Comments from two citizens:

Betty Sloan, 218 Greyson Street-questions regarding a recently burned house next door and whether house is to be repaired and questions on tenants' belongings damaged by smoke. *Ted Anderson provided an update and explanation of procedures on repairs and permitting related to the damaged property.*

Doug Sharpe, 206 Clearview Drive-questions regarding ownership of property adjacent to Jones Creek at the rear of his property and who is responsible for cleaning the creek of limbs/debris to prevent debris from washing down and blocking drainage pipes/bridge at Liberty Street. *Mr. Towarnicki provided information advising that maintenance of creek areas is private property owner responsibilities, but City will monitor to determine if City has authority to require maintenance to prevent debris blockage of the City's drainage system.*

There being no further business, Mayor Turner adjourned the meeting at 8:15 pm.

Brenda Prillaman
Clerk of Council

Danny Turner
Mayor