

April 8, 2013

Martinsville City Council Neighborhood Meeting for the Westside area was held on April 8, 2013, at Albert Harris School, 710 Smith St., Martinsville, VA at 7:30 PM, with Vice Mayor Gene Teague calling the meeting to order. Council members present included Mark Stroud, Sr., Sharon Brooks Hodge and Danny Turner. Mayor Adkins arrived late due to another commitment and then led the meeting from that point on. Staff present: Leon Towarnicki, Brenda Prillaman, Eric Monday, Mike Rogers, and Andy Powers. Three citizens were present.

Andy Powers was asked to present his property maintenance report, and then the floor was opened for public comment.

City Attorney Eric Monday reported on a complaint he received about car wash water being discharged in the street and advised he will research the issue and bring a recommendation to Council at the April 23 meeting. Lawrence Mitchell--asked Council to comment on what they saw on their 5:30 tour today; expressed concern that more of the community was not present and noted that the majority of people live below Commonwealth Boulevard; reported wires hanging from poles on Second Street; at corner of B & Second Street that there is sewage runoff after hard rains; inquired on planned development across from Academy Place, safety concerns with Beaver Street; and paving inquiry on Second St. Council member Hodge pointed out she had talked to several community leaders and pastors and Mr. Mitchell expressed his desire to know who these community leaders were. City staff will address specific properties and concerns as pointed out during the meeting.

There being no further business, Mayor Adkins adjourned the meeting at 8:02 pm.

Brenda Prillaman
Clerk of Council

Kim E. Adkins
Mayor