

## Larchmont–Edgewater Civic League

Meeting: First Quarter 2010, March 18, 2010, 7:30 – 9:10pm

Attendance (approximate): 66

Location: Larchmont United Methodist Church

Civic League website: <http://www.larchmontedgewater.org/>

### Synopsis of Meeting:

- Announcements from Dave O'Dell:
  - City asking residence to provide suggestions on what to do with Waterside. Flyers at front for comments. Also see City website.
  - The policy of the civic league board has been to bring speakers from non-profit or government agencies to speak at the meetings vs. for-profit businesses. Asked for **vote** if we wish to continue this policy. **All in favor.**
  - By laws need updating. Dave to work and present to civic league. Provision needed for time sensitive donation up to \$250 without civic league votes, i.e. police officer killed in the line of duty. Most donations will remain as vote during regular meeting, i.e. donations to school PTAs.
  - Electronic newsletter. 700 registered. Highest open rate in country. Still providing limited printed copies at local pharmacy, library, and restaurants. Printing expenses were \$250/newsletter with 4-5 editions per year. Website – discount provided with one time annual payment, \$336/year. **Vote** to approve annual payment for website. **All in favor.**
  - Civic League meeting signs. Two current signs are damaged due to flooding and age, and need to be replaced. Replace with 18x24 aluminum frame signs at approximately \$100 each. Place at the normal locations along with two others on Hampton Blvd at Magnolia and Bolling, also order extra in case of theft, etc. **Vote** to authorize up to \$600 for replacement signs. Majority in favor, 2 opposed. **Passes.**
  - Taste Unlimited to open in Bazemore's building in late summer.
  - Latest crime is stealing license plates.
  - PACE - Officer Jackson not present. No crime report.
  - Agenda for this meeting:
    - Mayoral candidates invited to speak. Mayor Paul Fraim in attendance. Councilwoman Daun Hester unable to attend.
- Paul Fraim.
  - Discusses past accomplishments relating to quality of life in Norfolk, increased jobs, lower property tax, lower crime rate, etc.
  - Discusses future needs relating to budget shortfalls, Norfolk and regional flooding, high speed rail and commerce link, etc.
  - Question and answer session with the audience.
- Representative for Daun Hester is present at end of meeting. Briefly discusses issues.
- Candidate forum at the Nero on April 26 at 6 p.m.
- Meeting adjourned, 9:10 pm.
- Notes by Vickie Jones.