

**Greater Jacksonville Association, Inc.
General Membership Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, April 20, 2010**

GJA met on the above date at the Jacksonville Elementary School. President Glen Thomas called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. Approximately 28 persons were in attendance. Mr. Thomas reported that notice of the meeting had been sent out via mail and email.

The minutes of the January 19, 2010 meeting were approved as submitted. (*Note: There were no meetings in February and March.*) Treasurer Bill Bergeron reported a balance of \$15,625.63. Mr. Bergeron has asked to be relieved of the position of treasurer although he would like to remain on the board. Mr. Oakley has agreed to accept board appointment to fill the position of treasurer until the next election per GJA bylaws.

General Assembly Delegates Wade Kach and J.B. Jennings presented recaps of the 2010 General Assembly legislative session and distributed written synopses of important legislation.

Mr. Thomas reported for Capt. Lurtz from BCPD Cockeysville District that there had been a rash of deception burglaries and asked for any suspicion of such attempts to be reported. Mr. Thomas suggested that we review and consider updates to the GJA Community Plan drafted in 1995 for Master Plan 2020. Any updates suggested by the board will be brought to the membership for approval. Mr. Thomas also noted that the GJA bylaws need reviewing and updating, especially in regard to meeting notification that currently only considers mail notification. He also noted that at least 50 percent of the Manor Center is vacant and noted that the board is considering facilitating a revival of the business/merchants association.

The Jacksonville Community Center is scheduled to open in July. The board has requested that the site be called Jacksonville Park rather than Sweet Air Park and agreed to offer to help host an open house with the senior center and recreation center to celebrate the opening.

Ms. Lehmann has been in touch with the State Highway Administration (SHA) to get an update on the long-postponed upgrades to the Four Corners intersection. SHA will send representatives to the May 18 general meeting to discuss these improvements.

Mr. Thomas announced that there are hearings scheduled on the Richardson property development.

Mr. Thomas asked for the membership to authorize GJA board members to speak on behalf of zoning issues for GJA at zoning appeals (Rule 8). A motion was so made and approved.

Mr. Thomas reported that efforts were underway to improve signage at the Kleins/ShopRite and M & T Bank that would bring them into better conformity with the GJA Community Plan. He noted that both the GJA Plan and Bylaws were available on the web site, www.greaterjacksonville.org. Email address is greaterjacksonville@gmail.com.

There being no other new business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Betsy Lehmann, Secretary