

Southampton Citizens Association
Board Meeting
April 15, 2014

Members Present: Cardwell, Hampton, Hay, Prince, Schlicher, Scott, White

Members Absent: Blanchard, Roberts, Young

Guests: Doug Hensel, Officer Matt Sacksteder, Kathy Graziano, Allison Berry, Doug Cooke, Bob Bedell, Phyllis Crutchfield, Karen & Michael Lawrence, Leroy McDaniel, John Hay, Evelyn Terry, Gokhan Yucel and Lori Yucel

Our Spring Clean-Up was a success. Pictures are on the Facebook page.

Doug Hensel from The Great Big Greenhouse gave a well-received presentation on Spring Gardening Tips.

Officer Matt Sacksteder updated us on crime for our section of the 3rd precinct. There was one robbery of the ice cream shop, Gelati Celesti, at Stony Point Shopping Center. The robbers were caught. There were also a couple of car break-ins, but reported crimes have been low. Matt said the best way to prevent crime is for residents to report suspicious activity so police can check it out. Residents should also consider taking pictures of jewelry, yard equipment, computer equipment, and other valuables (including serial numbers) which will help police with identification in the unfortunate case they are robbed.

Matt said Lt. Stith was going to increase radar surveillance of Riverside Drive. Residents discussed the need to enforce the speed limit. Kathy suggested we ask Tom Flynn to redo the traffic study for Riverside Drive.

We continued a decision on the financial audit to next meeting. We need to identify a qualified resident to help us.

We discussed the need to reprint membership materials for welcome bags for new members. An initial cost estimate was \$300-\$400. Doug Cooke and Jean Marie Hay will continue to investigate and make a recommendation. Doug has volunteered to distribute welcome bags to new residents.

Brian passed out a sign-up sheet for board members, and interested residents, to fill the open slots on the Membership; Marketing/Outreach; and Development/City/Neighborhood committees. We need three or four board members, or interested residents, to adequately staff each committee. The Communications committee is staffed but needs help writing articles for the newsletter.

Kathy gave her council update. It is budget time. The schools need/want more money as well as most city departments. Kathy will hold her quarterly meeting April 29 at 7:00 pm at St. Luke Lutheran Church.