

GROVETON VIRGINIA CIVIC ASSOCIATION (GCA)

February 5, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Groveton Elementary School

1. **Call to Order.** The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.

2. **Roll Call of Officers.** The board members were introduced. Thirteen residents attended:

Drew McGuckin, Pres.

George Sisk

Valentina Lukin

Jim Bailes, Vice Pres.

Rick Kottemann

Matthew Porcaro

Bonnie Wilkins, Sec.

Wayne Lloyd

Carol & Carla Crandall

Brandi Pensoneau, Treas.

Areli A. Woody

Mira Marshall

3. **Approval of Minutes.** A motion to approve the November 2017 minutes was made by Brandi Pensoneau, seconded by Wayne Lloyd, and approved by voice vote.

4. **Treasurer Report.** The current balance is about \$4,794.31.

5. **Old Business.**

a. **Trucks and Speeding on Memorial, Groveton & Queens.** Speeding and reckless driving continues to be a problem on Queens Rd. On September 17, 2017, GCA sent a request to the Fairfax County Mount Vernon Traffic Enforcement office requesting officers to monitor the speeding, stop sign violations, and through trucks on Groveton, Queens, and Memorial. Now that the paving on our streets is complete, speeding has resumed. GCA president will send another request for traffic enforcement.

b. **Sunken Manhole on Route 1 & Groveton St.** At the October meeting, it was recommended that a picture be taken of the sunken manhole and sent to the VDOT website requesting repair. The GCA board could not locate the problem so no action was taken. GCA will readdress this and report it.

6. **New Business.**

a. **Potential Code and Safety Problems.**

(1) 3301 Clayborne Ave: The front window is missing from this house and it looks like someone might be living there. This is the house that had fire damage several years ago. GCA will notify Habitat for Humanity who owns this property.

(2) 3112 Groveton St.: This property has what appears to be abandoned cars in the front driveway and a car is being taken apart for parts.

(3) North side of Groveton & Richmond Hwy: The "No Thru Trucks Sign" on Groveton Street was knocked down and needs to be fixed.

(4) 3106 Groveton St.: It was reported that the person living in this house is living there without running water or electricity.

b. **Suggestions for Speakers.** Suggestions were made to have the Mt. Vernon police come to talk about increased criminal activity, violent crimes, businesses being robbed, gangs, sex offenders, etc. The 2nd suggestion was for the Fairfax County Code Compliance office. The third suggestion was for the Fairfax County Park Authority Invasive Plants representative.

c. **Mailbox Tampering.** A Grove Road resident reported that someone has opened their mailbox on several occasions and gone through mail that had not been retrieved by the homeowner. The President said you can sign up for the USPS Informed Delivery to get scanned images of your mail from this link:

<https://informedelivery.usps.com/box/pages/intro/start.action>

7. **Adjournment.** Jim Bailes made a motion to adjourn, Brandi Pensoneau seconded it, all were in favor, and the meeting was adjourned.