

Minutes of the Center Square Association Annual Meeting, October 16, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 7PM by President Jackaline Ring.

Introductions were made.

There were no minutes of the September or July meetings available to be approved as they have not been received from the Recording Secretary.

Kevin Reedy of the Albany Police Department gave the police report and answered some questions from the membership.

Nnenna Ferguson of Capital Car Share spoke. They are still looking for a parking spot in our part of Albany. If anyone has an idea, please call Nnenna.

John Quinn gave the Year End Financial Report. We have over \$14,000 in the bank.

John presented the Proposed Budget for 2015. There were amendments to the budget including adding another hundred dollars to our donation to the Big Red Bookshelf and to cut our expected income from the house and garden tour to match prior years. The budget was passed as amended unanimously.

Election of Officers - Jenny Quinn, Chair of the Nominating Committee presented the following slate of officers:

Recording Secretary - Maureen Kruger
Chair of the Beautification Committee - Damaris McGuire
Chair of Community Outreach - Christopher Burke

There were 27 written votes in favor of the slate as presented.

Richard Conti was at a Common Council Meeting so gave no report.

Chris Higgins talked about the Albany County Land Bank. It has been fully capitalized at \$2.9 million. The County is in good financial shape and there will be no tax increase. There is going to be another gun buyback. It will be revenue neutral.

A new member, Cody Martin of Jay Street, who is a firefighter, spoke about Ladder One which is in the Mayor's plan to be eliminated.

The Mayor will be speaking at Westminster Presbyterian on Monday at 5:30 on her proposed budget.

Demi McGuire reported that work is underway on prepping the beds for the new tree purchases. There are also some privately purchased trees going in. Water bags have also been purchased for the new trees.

As of the meeting there were to be no tulip bulbs. (This has since changed).

Motion to adjourn made by Clare Yates at 8:15. Seconded by Ben Chi.