

East Cobb Civic Association General Meeting Wednesday, February 25, 2009

President David Hong called the meeting to order @ 7:10 PM.

David introduced Commission Chairman Sam Olens as this month's speaker who presented a slide show on the State of the County. Topics included Public Safety and noting the construction of the new jail is scheduled to be completed in November. The Safety Village will open in March and is the first in the Southeast. In Education, Cobb County had 5 schools named to the School of Excellence list for Georgia. Kennesaw State University, Southern Polytechnic State University and Chattahoochee Technical College all continue to grow. Through the Park Bond Program the County purchased two surrounding properties across from Hyde Farm allowing for expansion. Also in the Arts, Broadway will be coming to the Cobb Energy Performing Arts Center and the Strand Theater has re-opened. Mr. Olens noted that the County has an \$800 million budget, 4,500 full-time employees and an AAA credit rating.

A question and answer period followed the presentation.

Business Portion

Zonings and Variances

Jill Flamm, Vice-President presented the Zonings and Variances for March that were discussed at the ECCA Board meeting

Petition V-17: No Action

Petition V-19: No Action

Petition LUP-7: No Action

Petition Z-37: Oppose

Other Business #3: Oppose subject to stipulations of no further variances and additional buffering

Minutes

The January minutes were submitted for the website.

Treasurer's Report

\$13,305.50 cash in bank

174.93 Net cash flow

Committee Reports

Programs: Roger Phelps would like suggestions for future speakers. March's speaker is Janice Mitchell, FEMA insurance specialist. Also attending will be Lynne Keating who is the FEMA NFIP outreach specialist.

Public Relations: Linda Carver is re-doing the website. She is getting our meetings in the East Cobber news and in the metro section of the AJC.

Financial: Marvin Shams reported that the 2009 invoices were ready to be mailed out and that the deadline for the 2009 dues has been extended to April 30, 2009.

New Business

None

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Brand