

January 6, 2009
CRADOCK CIVIC LEAGUE MEETING MINUTES

- _ Meeting called to order at 7:04 by Dolores Knight, Vice President.
- _ A quorum was present.
- _ Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a moment of silence was observed.
- _ An e-mail was read from Laura Somers, and turnover occurred for the Civic League Officers.
- _ General announcements: upcoming events, correspondence.
- _ November and December Meeting Minutes were approved with no corrections.
- _ Treasurer's report: read & accepted by membership.
 - \$1374.13 Forwarded Balance
 - \$100.00 Expenses
 - \$470.50 Deposits
 - \$1744.63 Ending Balance
 - There was mention that the beginning balance of last year was \$2042.26, and we may need to have more fundraisers.
- _ Adopt-A-Spot Balance \$192.05

SCHEDULED SPEAKERS

- o Steve Carroll –Spoke about Portsmouth City issues. The first of which was the \$2.3 million deficit. Lawsuits that the citizens should be interested in are: the new court complex being backed by the judges, the Port center site, where we need to back city council, and the Lucas Law suit, where the citizens of Portsmouth are being sued for \$90 million. The potential selling of SPSA and what it could mean to Cradock. Mr. Carroll urged all citizens to sign up at council city meetings and voice their opinion on issues affecting us.

COMMITTEE AND CHAIR REPORTS

NIO (235-5658)

- o Reported on crime in Cradock, down 52%. New Police Chief Edward Hargis for Portsmouth. He is from Camden NJ, and has 21 years of experience. Recommended supporting city council on improvements to the square.
- o LT Cherry-Reported crime is down 58%. New member Dave McKowsky added. Support needed to raise pay for sheriff department.

Newsletters

- o Volunteers always needed to hand out newsletter.

Yard of the Month

- o None for December.

Neighborhood Quality

- o Report from Neighborhood Quality – Mr. Trotter. He has seen improvements and thanks us for the messages.

Christmas in Cradock – Brenda Darlene and Patty.

- o Thank everyone for help, and report in February.

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

Ted Lamb – Neighborhood Watch 483-4769

- At January meeting, Mike Holly to discuss narcotics, and introduction of Eradicate Drugs.

Cradock's Lyon's Group –Mr. Mills

-Announced on March 8th, Region II Piano Classic at Cradock Presbyterian Church at 2pm.

OLD BUSINESS

- Winners announced for the Lights in Cradock.
- Thank you notes sent out for Christmas in Cradock.

NEW BUSINESS

- Amendments signed, Vice-President still needed.
- Membership drive for February meeting.

UP COMING DATES

February 17th and March 17th-Cradock Neighborhood watch

February 21st 9am-Clean Community Commission-Cradock Community Cleanup.