

September 2, 2008
CRADOCK CIVIC LEAGUE MEETING MINUTES

- Meeting called to order at 7:00 by Laura Somers, President.
- A quorum was present.
- Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a moment of silence was observed.
- General announcements: upcoming events, correspondence.
- June Meeting Minutes were not reviewed. Vote for Approval Tabled until next Civic League Meeting.
- Treasurer's report: read & accepted by membership.
 - \$1691.23 Forwarded Balance
 - 262.90 Expenses
 - 93.00 Deposits
 - \$1521.33 Ending Balance

SCHEDULED SPEAKERS

- Martha Ann Creecy – Neighborhood Quality Task Force – Neighborhood Quality Taskforce meets Third Thursday @ 5:30 pm. We are looking for volunteers to go to Richmond to talk to State Legislature. Program – Vacant to Vibrant Program. Goal is to get vacant properties back on tax role. \$3.5 million dollars of tax revenue lost annually.
- Mr. Taylor/Mr. Jordan – SPSA Tom Kreidel is the new PR representative for SPSA. Contact him at 757 420 4700 or 757 274 4734
- Detective Gavin – Portsmouth Police Department Gang Task Force – Work is on going. 9 Tech Gangsters and Bounty Hunter Bloods are the main group. There is increased recruiting, increased missions for membership. 40 blood members taken into custody. Contact Detective Gavin at 235-5731

COMMITTEE AND CHAIR REPORTS

- **NOI (235-5658)** - Reported on crime in Cradock. Reports and call down. Crime down. Keep up good work.
- **Newsletters** - Volunteers always needed to hand out newsletter.
- **Adopt-A-Spot** - No report.
- **Yard of the Month (added)** - September Yard of the Month is 9 Kelly Drive. Dr. Charles and Sherry Norton.
- **Fundraising (added)** - No report.
- **Neighborhood Quality (235-3147)** - Report from Neighborhood Quality – Mr. Trotter – 235-3147
- **Spring Fest** - No report.
- **Christmas in Cradock** – See Attached Report for Information. December 6 at 6:00 p.m. Afton Square contact Brenda Darlene at 319-6395 or Patty at 337-8537.

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

Ted Lamb – Neighborhood Watch 483-4769

- 50% Drop in Crime from April 1 to July 31st. Working on Preventative Measures – Operation Light it up. Tutoring Program for Math. November Turkey Dinner for Block Captains.

Cradock's Lyon's Group

- Broom sale going on and will sell brooms at Spring Fest.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Street Name Changes – Cradock Voted not to support the Street name change..

Churches Community Day – Civic League could not sponsor the popcorn booth. Does not have a food handling licenses. Voted to send volunteers to help.

Nominating Committee for upcoming elections not selected. Tabled to October meeting.

UP COMING DATES

September 16th - Neighborhood Watch Meeting at 7:00 p.m. at Cradock Baptist Church

September 20th – Churches of Cradock Community Day Event, Afton Square from 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

October 7th, - Cradock Civic League Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:00 pm.