

Westover Village Civic Association
Meeting Minutes Issued October 13, 2023

Date: September 20th, 2023 at 7pm ET
Location: Westover Library, Longfellow Room

WVCA Board Member Attendees

- John Marsh, Treasurer
- Bob Orttung, Vice President

Community Attendees:

- Harry T.
- Bill J.
- Matt Gloudeman
- Brett C.
- Nathan R.
- Bruce H.
- Kate H
- Pauline K - Remote
- Jonah Klipper - Remote

1. Introductions

- a. WVCA leadership initiated the meeting at 7:00pm and all attendees shared introductions.

2. Election

- a. Election of New Officers was proposed and approved by members in attendance
 - i. Matt Gloudeman - President
 - ii. Jonah Klipper - Vice President
 - iii. Bob Orttung - Treasurer
 - iv. Jen Mowad-Johnson - Secretary

3. Discussion Topics

- a. Community engagement - Interest from board members and community to increase community engagement and activities. Discussed ideas for a holiday light fundraiser, halloween parade, and engagement with neighboring civic associations
- b. Safety - The community noted pedestrian crosswalks on Washington Blvd between McKinley and Longfellow are often ignored by drivers, posing a potential safety risk to pedestrians. We discussed ideas to get the state of Virginia involved to improve crosswalk signage, or investing in reflective flags for pedestrians to carry while using the crosswalk.
 - i. Per research done in previous years, VDOT says they only install flashing lights for pedestrians at 4 way intersections.
- c. Website - WVCA plans to update WVCA website content on a more regular basis

- i. 16th St N and N. Longfellow Street Intersection Improvements - Notes this as an upcoming project sponsored by Arlington County. It includes installation of some flowerbeds and plants that may require maintenance (weeding, mulch, etc.) post installation. We agreed maintaining these flowerbeds is a good opportunity for civic engagement.