Historic Jackson Ward Association Monthly Membership Meeting

Meeting Notes July 18, 2006

Welcome and Introductions: HJWA Chair Charles Finley opened the meeting and asked for a round of introductions from those present.

Minutes from July, 2006 Meeting: Reviewed and accepted

<u>Richmond Police Department</u>: Lt. Gary Ladin introduced himself as the new Lieutenant for Sector 413. He previously worked in the RPD's Homeland Security division.

City Council Update – Bill Pantele:

Mr. Pantele made comments concerning:

Overview of the *Police and Citizens Partnerships for Problem Solving Meeting* held at the Jefferson Hotel in June 2006. Mr. Pantele commends the Richmond Police Department for working so closely with him.

Trying to get the VCU/Bio-Tech project going which has gone dormant despite Pantele's frequent efforts to communicate with leaders of both VCU and Bio-Tech

Informed that MCV is providing free eye exams and free eye glasses

Encouraged to maintain vigilance and call the RPD non-emergency number (646-5100) if any thing seems out of sorts in your neighborhood

The City of Richmond's budget process is coming to an end; soon will have final budgetary decisions

City of Richmond's *City of the Future* and the closing of some public schools. Cost of building schools: an elementary school costs \$30 million, a middle school costs \$50 million and a high school costs \$100 million.

<u>Clean Up/Beautification Day on July 22, 2006</u>: Vicki Mollenauer announced meet-up time at Abner-Clay Park is 8:00 a.m. and asked to be informed of any large items that require the big trucks. *Neighborhood Night Out Against Crime* flyers were made available for distribution. Visit the website at HYPERLINK "http://www.hjwa.org" <u>www.hjwa.org</u> for updates and additional information.

Tools and Equipment from PM, USA Beautification Day: Liza Steele has arranged for storage of tools and equipment donated by Philip Morris, USA for the HJWA Beautification Day; see her for loan of equipment.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Pat Smith reported as of May 30, 2006 there is a balance of \$8,259.67 plus a \$190 deposit in membership dues. The June 30, 2006 adjustment is \$8,015.88

with expenditures of \$575.00 towards the Club 533's 50th Anniversary Celebration leaving a balance of \$7,440.88

Funding Guidelines Review: Chair Charles Finley presented a draft of the Funding Guidelines. Those present raised viable questions and concerns of the draft. Therefore, Lori White volunteered to chair a committee that will include Paige Magness and Tripp Longest to review the draft. All are encouraged to review and send their comments and questions to Lori at HYPERLINK "mailto:Loriann.White@verizon.net" Loriann.White@verizon.net The committee will take into account these suggestions and present another draft at the August 2006 meeting.

Respectfully Submitted by, Demmie Murray, HJWA Board Member