

Friends of Lancaster Meeting, January 25, 2011

The January meeting was held at the Bank of Lancaster. President Charlie Costello conducted the meeting. There were 17 members present and 4 proxies.

Minutes of the January 2010 meeting were approved as written.

An informal treasurer's report was presented. The current balance is approximately \$2,000. Our recurring expenses include the web site, the post office box, and a raffle ticket to support the library. It was agreed that there is no need to collect more dues at this time.

All currently serving officers agreed to continue in office for 2011. There was a motion to accept by acclamation which was unanimously approved.

It was agreed that meetings would be scheduled as needed.

Items discussed included:

Bill Warren reported on the progress of Mercer Place: Framing is going up now. Completion date - 1 July. Only another \$50,000 needed to meet the fund raising goal of \$300,000. It was noted that Mrs. Bellows sold the property to the Partners Foundation for significantly under market value (\$125,000) and donated \$25,000 to the Foundation. She has subsequently placed the adjacent property in a conservation easement.

The town of Kilmarnock is getting ready to review its Comprehensive Plan. Charlie has met with town officials and will maintain contact with them as this goes forward.

The town of White Stone is also supposed to be working on its Comprehensive Plan but no information is available at this time. We need to be involved, because of the possibility of their future boundary adjustments having the effect of negating the Waterfront Overlay.

The Farley property on the Corrotoman River is for sale. We need to monitor this because of possible zoning and development concerns.

We also need to monitor any development of the Tartan property which was bought by EVB.

Respectfully submitted
Jo Chamberlain, Secretary