

Kiamensi Civic Association Meeting

September 17, 2025

Marshallton Steak House

Meeting called to order by Bernadette Powell @ 7:03 PM

Recited Pledge

Senator Spiros Mantzavinos Update:

- Troop 6 Community Day
 - Open House on Saturday from 10-1
- Created auto insurance taskforce to see what can be done to increase competition
- Stanton Road speeding:
 - Have the speed humps
 - Continue to contact county police
 - Area north of Diamond near Grayling is bad
 - Can look into speed cameras in future (still waiting on 1st ones to be installed)
 - Possible addition access to Powell Ford Park
- Need more communication with residents regarding when road work will be happening
 - Contractors are required to give 48 hr notice
 - Next list should be out soon – Spiros to update Bernadette

Council member Brandon Toole Update:

- 53 Police currently in training
 - 423 total force
 - Lowest was 356 since he has been in office
 - Offering bonuses and incentives
- Police Ride Along in Pike Creek
 - Barking dog - police respond after 30 minutes
 - Hit deer
 - Wellness check
- Delaware is being sued for Tax Reassessment by property owners (commercial)
- Code enforcement
 - Almost 40 complaints in year – 32 closed, 7 open (4 in Westfield)
 - Will send list to Bernadette
- Rock Ave Houses
 - More info to come in next 30 days
 - First house to start in fall
 - Soil issue of immediate neighbor fixed
 - Bill Dunn has plans for liquor store
 - 5 homes still showing on Rock Ave yellow active plans (sign is out of date)
 - Police Report - Community Policing is being restructured
 - ATV
 - Loud movies
 - Larceny
 - Hospital transport
 - Criminal mischief
 - Hit and run on Binstead
 - Trespassing
- Calf Run Park Cleanup
 - Not sure if can get clean up but will have inspected for plan. Stated is in flood plain
 - Bernadette will follow up but no KCA meetings until 2026

- Kirkwood Corridor Plan
 - Newark City limits to Wilmington City limits
 - No updates

Representative Kim Williams Update:

- Community Fall Fest Oct 11 from 12 PM – 2 PM
 - Belvedere Community Center
- Troop 6 Open House
- Kirkwood Cruz Night
 - Some aggressive
 - 44 criminal violations
 - 3 arrests
- DelDOT updates
 - Lane closures on Rt 4/Kirkwood/Limestone
 - June 9 – Nov
 - Sun – Thurs from 7 PM – 6 AM
- Will support additional access to Powell Ford Park
- Tax Assessment
 - Stated noticed a difference in the homes in her development (Klair Estates)
 - Commercial properties went down
 - Red Clay asked for split tax bills and was told no
 - School Districts asked to reset rate and be considerate of small businesses
 - Tax bills due in Nov
 - No late fee but will have 1% penalty
 - New rate decrease to be mailed in Sept/October
 - You must request refund if you have already paid
 - Red Clay is revenue neutral
- Senior Tax Credits
 - Reach out to county for information
 - Must be age 65(+) and be a resident of New Castle County for 10 years
- Senate meetings
 - They are live streamed
 - Meetings held 4x
 - Sept, Oct (x2), Nov
- Animal Abuse Registry Bill
 - Will be at Brandywine Valley SPCA for signing of bill

Secretary Update:

- May 2025 meeting minutes to be emailed for approval
- Website updates:
 - Continue to push to blog for updates
 - Send any pictures and business recommendations to Jenn

Treasurer Update:

- Balances:

Checking	\$10,011.90	<i>Increase of \$1,088.65</i>
Savings	\$13,169.87	<i>Increase of \$6.87</i>
Total	\$22,093.12	

- Trustee review is up to date
- \$2,352 was collected in dues: approx. 20%

Social Chair Update

- Fall Fest
 - October 11 from 1 pm – 4 pm
 - Check website for updates
- Yard Sale
 - September 27
 - Question asked about going to one event
 - Voted to keep spring and stop fall

President Update

- Continue calling in code enforcement

Adjourn - 8:43 PM

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