

# THE CORAM CIVIC ASSOCIATION

## General Meeting Minutes

November 25, 2013

The meeting was called to order by President Erma Gluck at 7:45pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence for the troops. Martin Bailey – Vice President, Carol Bedell – Membership Secretary and Kathrine Soscia – Corresponding Secretary were present. Sergeant-At-Arms Bob Gluck and Paul Ziems, Treasurer were absent with prior notice.

### OFFICER'S REPORTS

President Erma Gluck welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending. Announcements were made for Longwood Community Blood Drive on Dec. 27th from 2-8 at new Firehouse. Group tickets to LI Ducks are available. Vice President Martin Bailey asked for volunteers for our Tree Lighting.

### TREASURER'S REPORT

Not presented.

### MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY

Carol Bedell reported we have 113 paid members. Please renew for 2014. Letters will be going out.

### CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

Kathrine Soscia read a letter from Life Line Mediation Center asking for donations for the community. Kathrine also contacted Principal Denton at Coram School confirming the Chorus performing at our Tree Lighting again.

### PLANNING & LAND USE

None

### HIGHWAY REPORTS

None

### NEWSLETTER/WEBSITE

None

### POLICE

None

### DAVIS HOUSE COMMITTEE

None

### OLD BUSINESS

None

### NEW BUSINESS

Elections – the acting Recording Secretary, Kathrine Soscia, cast one vote for the slate:

Vice President – Martin Bailey, Membership Secretary – Carol Bedell, Recording Secretary – vacant  
Service award Plaques from the Civic and certificates from Councilwomen Keper and Bonner were presented to Margaret Colarossi, Kathy Meade, Kelly Brothers (unable to attend) and the Coram Fire Department.

### GUEST SPEAKERS

Fire Department Commissioner Candidates – each introduced themselves:

Jim Dunn; James Brown; Steven Yalamas

**State Assemblyman Ed Hennessey** (District 3) gave an Albany update and then opened the floor to the membership for frank discussion on numerous subjects including legislature on gun safety, traffic safety, chips funding highway improvements (\$18 million into Rte. 112 between CR 16 Granny Rd and 25) Intersection improvements, school district funding etc. Working on legislation for increasing penalties on leaving the scene of a vehicle accident. Hennessey wants to work on the Housing issues plaguing the district, including the concentration of sex offenders in the area; proposing Kings Park as solution to sex offender housing. Offered no magic wand but will start the conversation.

**Marianne Garvin**, CEO – Community Development Corp distributed community survey to those present in regard to the upcoming Wincoram Commons apartment complex located at routes 112 & 25. The survey was seeking community feedback on quality of life issues in Coram.

#### **50/50 DRAWING**

Tonight's 50/50 Winner, Mildred Zimmerman won \$25.00.

#### **NEXT MEETING**

No December meeting – 6th Annual Tree Lighting Sunday, December 1st, 2:00pm. January General Meeting to be held on Monday, January 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm. Guest speaker will be TOB Supervisor Ed Romaine.

#### **MOTION TO ADJOURN**

Carol Bedell made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 pm. Seconded by Kathrine Soscia. Motion approved.

Respectfully Submitted  
Kathrine Soscia  
Corresponding Secretary