

# THE CORAM CIVIC ASSOCIATION

General Membership Meeting

July 27, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 7:50 PM by President Erma Gluck, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for our troops. Board members present: Erma Gluck, Bob Gluck, Chris Reilly, Carol Bedell, Paul Ziems, and Jean Hartling.

## OFFICER REPORTS:

**President: Erma Gluck** announced: 1) The last of the BNL “Summer Sundays” programs will be held August 2<sup>nd</sup>. 2) The “2015 Stand Up for the Homeless” program sponsored by the county to take place August 28, 10:00AM-2:00PM, Suffolk County Community College, Brentwood. Transportation for the homeless will be provided and a list of pick up locations is available. Information on health, dental, food, clothing, employment and veterans services to be included. Contact phone number: (631) 854-9930. 3) **Officer Gibaldi** of the 6<sup>th</sup> Precinct reminded members about Operation Medicine Cabinet. Old and unused medications can be dropped off at the precinct of the Senior Center in Mount Sinai. He highlighted the National Night Out to take place on August 4<sup>th</sup>, 5:00 to 8:00PM at the Target in Medford. Police and Fire departments will conduct safety events and demonstrations for adults and children. 4) Civic Board member **Chris Reilly** led a discussion on the quarterly Newsletter and Community Updates. In order to allow development of additional community events and scholarships, the Community Updates will serve as our major communication; newsletter to be discontinued.

## GUESTS:

**Update on Wincoram Commons** – Representatives from the Community Development Corporation and Conifer Realty were present to provide information on the progress at Wincoram Commons. **Allan Handleman, Vice President of Conifer Realty** stated that Phase I is nearly completed and Phase II will follow soon after. It is anticipated that the first three buildings will open by the end of September. Date for the ribbon cutting ceremony is to be determined. Mr. Handleman described the mixed-use residential and business town center. A question and answer discussion followed on topics including geographic location of the rental applicants, number of school-aged children expected, long term property management and rebuilding of Route 112 along the entranceway.

## OPEN DISCUSSION:

**North Coram Tree Removal** – Residents have expressed concern regarding trees needing removal due to root disruption of the roadway. The town plans to do some replacement of those trees being removed.

**Homeless Issues** – A lengthy discussion took place on the homeless population along Middle Country Road, especially the State property behind the Capital One building and shopping center area. Quality of life and health issues were raised as was the severe lack of services for this population. It was noted this is a problem that needs to be addressed by Town, County, State and Federal governments in order for an effective solution to be found. The Middle Country Road Task Force, of which the Coram Civic Association is a founding member, is also addressing these issues.

## 50/50 DRAWING:

The 50/50 was won by Steve Schwimmer, who took home \$16.00.

## MOTION TO ADJOURN:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 PM.

**NEXT MEETING:**

No Meeting is August. Next meeting Monday September 28<sup>th</sup>: County Legislature Candidates Night.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Hartling  
Recording Secretary