

RUMSEY ISLAND RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES

RIRA November 20, 2019

On Wednesday, November 20, 2019 the November RIRA meeting was held at Baldwin's restaurant. Appetizers and desserts were available to all.

The meeting was called to order at 7 pm by Walt Smith, the president .

The December event will be the annual Holiday Party, to be held on December 12th at Baldwins. You must be a member to attend. The cost is \$10 per person. The RIRA treasury will pay the balance due to the restaurant. Please think about joining RIRA now so that you can participate in the Holiday party and the yard waste pickup. Your dues will include membership for the year 2020.

The yard waste pickup is on Saturday, December 7th. All yard waste must be in paper bags (anything is plastic bags will not be picked up). Small branches should be tied in bundles, and the ties used must be biodegradable.

At the January meeting, nominations will be accepted for anyone who would like to sit on the Board. The January meeting will be the third Thursday of the month.

Walt talked briefly about alternating meetings between Wednesdays and Thursdays. He said that Wednesdays were a problem for him, and that until his term as president is over (in April) he would like to keep the meetings on Thursdays.

Russell talked about the Joppa Development and Heritage Corporation, which will hold a workshop for anyone interested in helping with voter registration for our area. The goal is to achieve 100% registration for Rumsey Island. Russ pointed out that local politicians respond to areas that have high voter registration, which will in turn help us to achieve some of our goals.

Russ also has talked to County Councilman Pat Vincenti about more water testing for our area. He will also talk to officials in Baltimore County to check how many testings are done in their areas each year.

Ralph thanked Russ for his continued efforts to have our fire hydrants painted, which has now been done by the county. He encouraged anyone of us to send letters to the county to thank them for this.

Ralph also talked about the Crane Power Plant in Baltimore County, which dumps coal ash into the Seneca Creek. He feels we should contact Cathy Bevins, the Baltimore County Council person for that area, to complain about this. Results happen when people get involved and speak up. To learn more about this, you can look up the Crane Power Plant online.

Anita is organizing Christmas caroling on December 20th. She lives on Towne Center Drive and wants those interested to meet at her house at 6 pm, and then all are invited back for treats after a fun evening of singing!

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30pm

Submitted by **Judy Gonzalez** Secretary
Rumsey Island Residents Association

Treasurer's Report: Oct 18, 2019 - Nov 20, 2019

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| Beginning Balance | \$7,572.02 |
| Dues Collected | \$425.34 |
| 50/50 - Oct | \$80.00 |
| Holiday Party | \$119.12 |
| Total Credits | \$624.46 |
| Food for Oct meeting | \$63.00 |
| Accountant fee for prior tax fillings | \$450.00 |
| SDAT | \$100.00 |
| Donation - Joppatowne Grow | \$547.00 |
| Crab feast expenses | \$155.34 |
| Waste Industries - Fall Yard Waste | \$750.00 |
| Total Debits | \$2,065.34 |
| Ending Balance | \$6,131.14 |