

**Minutes of the Barcroft School and Civic League Meeting
January 7, 2010
Barcroft Community House**

Chairperson: Bryant Monroe, President, BSCL

Announcements

The Arlington Partnership for Affordable Housing (APAH) closed at the end of December on the Buchanan Gardens property. APAH will continue to keep BSCL updated on its progress.

Arlington Mill will move ahead as a new community center in the first phase. At a later date, the site may include affordable housing.

Treasurer's Report

For the month of December, the BSCL General Fund ended up with a positive \$752 bottom line. The window replacement and painting ended up costing \$10,795 vs. a budget of \$13,000. Bruce Atkinson provided a great deal of assistance with the windows.

New Business

Barbara Swart requested that the BSCL discuss the policy regarding overnight use of the community house. Bryant Monroe noted that this will be discussed at a future meeting after the Executive Board has had a chance to develop recommendations.

Another attendee asked that the BSCL consider revitalized action against the Examiner now that the newspaper has started to show up in the neighborhood again. This will also be discussed at a future date.

Columbia Pike Land Use and Housing Study

Jennifer Smith, Columbia Pike Initiative Coordinator, and David Cristeal, Housing Development Supervisor, provided an update on the Columbia Pike Land Use and Housing Study. This phase of planning started in 2009 and is focused on residential areas along the Pike. The study will develop recommendations about how key properties should evolve. One of the goals of the County Board is to preserve affordable housing along the Pike while encouraging development of new market rate housing. The Study is currently setting goals and objectives for the effort and welcomes local civic association input. Once the plan is developed in 2011, the County will work with developers and property owners to implement the plan through a negotiated process.

Bryant Monroe noted that he will be seeking input through the BSCL list serve as well as discussing neighborhood goals at the next meeting.

Respectfully submitted by Jennifer Lis.