

Jefferson Barracks Community Council
General Membership Meeting
July 9, 2010
Jefferson Barracks Building 37

Welcome and introductions by Art Schuermann

Treasurer's Report:

- \$2,406.19
- 89 dues paying members

News from Art:

VA Construction Project

- Project presented last March and JBCC voted to support it in concept
- Has had some historic preservation issues to work out
- Now there is an agreement between the VA, the Base and the SHPO (State Historic Preservation Office)
- Construction is getting ready to begin

Great Rivers Greenway (GRG)

- GRG presented to the JBCC awhile ago
- Their trail project is moving down River Des Peres south onto the River City casino site and then further south into Jefferson Barracks Park
- The biggest part will be the bridge going over the railroad tracks because it has to be ADA accessible
- Construction is underway

Report from Base Commander

- They are looking at expansion of the Air Guard units at JB
- Also more tenant units from Lambert
- A few years ago when JB updated its infrastructure for water, sewer and electric, they rebuilt all the communications systems
- The current vacant space and updated comm systems will help attract new tenants
- The Reserve Center is still not open because of the parking lot

Freedom River Walk

- Saturday September 11, 2010 at 9:00 a.m.
- Start in the parking lot across from the base airplane
- Honors fire, police and military heroes of 9/11
- This year the walk will be held first and then the ceremony
- JBCC will sponsor at the \$200 level this year
- Art will email the flier and sponsorship info

AROUND THE ROOM

Donna Schumann - South County Chamber is working on landscape work at 255 and Telegraph

Linda Henry – Councilman Stenger would like to thank the Friends of JB, South County Chamber and the Economic Council for their help with the JB Blast

Glenda

- people are taking lots of “staycations” this year and more locals are coming to visit.
- New Museum exhibit “Growth of Air Power in US Military”
- January to June 2010: 9317 people; 2009: 6640 people
- Mark talked to 31 groups, 1500 people

John Maurath – Civil War Museum: still in negotiations for 1918 building

Butch Thomas:

- Worked for 40 years at RV business on Lemay Ferry
- Looking at RV Park for the land south of River City Casino
- RV Park in St. Charles is very nice and successful

Mark Bohnert – Lemay Housing Partnership

- LHP is having a safety info workshop with the Police
- Community Garden project is starting at Kayser and Military
- LHP is having an Open House on 7/22 from 4-7

Tim Symington

- Serves on Missouri Sesquicentennial Commission
- They are meeting next week
- MO Civil War Heritage Foundation is looking to bring driving trail to area
- JBHF is working on the US Grant Presidential Center

Teresa Petry – from Ed Martin for Congress

- Had Veteran’s town hall last night

Bill Florich – JBHF

- They have an art exhibit that will be open to the public after Board meeting next week

Brenden Fahey – Office of Sen. Claire McCaskill

- Looking into dental clinic problems

Mike Bruekman – Fisher House construction is largely complete. There will be an opening ceremony in September

Representative Pat Yaeger - there will be a senior health fair on 7/22 from 9-1 at the Salvation Army on Union Rd.

Friends of JB – Powder Magazine opens at 12. Wimpy is on light duty because he fell and hurt his arm.

Anne Shadowland – JB Food Pantry

- Food pantry is growing
- JB and Kingshighway food pantries gave away 634 cases of food to military families

Julie with Girlfriends Project –

- 3rd Annual Baby Shower for 27 women vets at the Craftsman Masonic Lodge

Kathy Waltz – Congressman Russ Carnahan’s office

- Congressman had a senior resource fair at Webster Groves Library a couple weeks ago
- Congressman is also investigating the dental clinic issues

NEXT MEETING: FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 10, 2010 AT 10:00 A.M. IN THE JEFFERSON BARRACKS NATIONAL GUARD BASE BLDG 37.