



TCA General Assembly Townhall

November 29, 2023

Location: National Golf Club

Three hundred Saint Andrews Drive

Fort Washington, Maryland 20744

Time: 7:07 PM – 8:36 PM

Welcome and Opening Remarks and introduction of Guest Speakers

President Charles Walton called to order The TCA Townhall at 7:07 on November 29, 2023, to discuss bringing community members together, important matters, and set priorities for this association year. Charles Walton introduced the following (3) Guest Speakers

- 1) **The Prince Georges County police departments** representatives, Major Attis and Captain Martin discussed the following:
 - Carjacking incidents, stolen vehicles, Kia-class action lawsuit recent software update resolution, and crime prevention.
 - Staffing issues on the police force, hoping for a long-term resolution of copes on bikes.
 - “Coffee with a cop “on the first Friday of each month, next one is December 2023.
 - Crime plans, report cards for every shift, going out to shopping centers to inspect vehicles and leaving a vehicle report card to remind people not to leave important things on the seats or visible in your cars. Being cognizant of things you leave visible in your card.

- 2) **The Colin Powell Academy representatives** principal Nina Lattimore and staff discussed the following:
 - Seeking parenting partnerships, mentoring, would like to see the community champion our school. For security, there is a fingerprinting process.
 - Next open house is January 10th, you can register to attend.
 - Stay tuned for updates in the Tantallon newsletter under the principle’s column.
 - Thank you for the community support, students really love the space, would love to invite everyone to come to visit the school, and have influence for a child.

- 3) **The Prince George's County Department of the Environment and the Chesapeake Bay** representative Laura Todd with The Alliance is excited to discuss the following:
 - Introduce a new pilot program specifically here in Tantallon, this department is helping to implement a green infrastructure Community Demonstration Project, to address climate resiliency.
 - Clean streams and rivers flowing through resilient landscapes, cared for by the people who live, work, and play in the Chesapeake Bay watershed.
 - The County’s goal is to empower community members to participate in a solution that supports solving known community-wide flooding and drainage issues while also improving water quality.
 - The pilot project in Tantallon uses a “blitz” approach to implement a high number of installations in a smaller geographic area to have a greater impact.
 - Tantallon was identified by the County for this project because of nuisance flood-related issues.
 - January 10th they will be hosting is a virtual session.
 - The rain barrels are available on first come first serve bases. They are looking to do the site assessments in the spring.

AGENDA

Charles E. Walton President, Called to Order the official segment of the TCA General meeting assembly. The agenda presented for Approval at 7:43 pm.

Approval of Agenda and minutes Motion: To review and approval the agenda and minutes.

Motion moved by member & second.

All in favor: over 10 Ayes

“O” - Nay’s

Financial Report presented by Keith West, Treasurer

*Please see website for a detailed copy of the financial statement

Audit Report presentation of the association's financial status reviewed by Larry Carbaugh, unofficial chair of the audit committee.

- Conducted an audit for the TCA 2023 fiscal year.
- These records reviewed the following: check payment and deposit, invoices, transfers, and other related items.
- The software used was Quicken, findings were accurate and provided a detailed account that the financial integrity managed by Keith West is in excellent standing.

Committee Reports Introduction of the Citizens Association Newly Appointed Officers and Committee leaders

Beautification

- DeeDee Perkins, Beautification chair has big plans for Fort Washington Road and our Tantallon community,
- Extended a big thank you to Judy Henry and Jamie Crist for their contribution in this area, together they partnered and toured the neighborhood to review the infrastructure.
- The goal is to address the issues with inventory of each entrance in our community, shrubbery, deer resistant, rocks, landscaping, lighting, clean up, and fence repair along Fort Washington Road.

Block Ambassadors

- Charles Walton extended a warm thank you to Tony Jacks for creating this program, designed & created to get neighbors assigned to support our streets and encourage our neighbors to participate in association activities, and community engagement.
- For further questions please reach out to Karima St Clair, Block Ambassador chair.

Communications

- Johnetta Boone, Communications chair assisted by Jamie Crist, and the team. They are excited about the launch of our NEW website, and newsletter can be found in color.
- Encouraging people to RSVP to future meetings, parties, and events. Excited about the new ways to share information “digitally” frequent information happening as often as weekly updates.
- Seeking talented people to support the communications effort, to manage the teams, to manage our Facebook page, and a social media / Canva expert.
- The newsletter deadline is March, looking for ideas such as things that are going on in the community, and people that are doing something amazing.
- A new section every quarter in the newsletter called: "Next door narratives," this is behind the screens, adds highlights on the community each year, looking to show case everyone. Share your stories and keep them coming. Please send your ideas to: **TheTCAeditor@gmail**

Mosquito Control

- Presented by Mary Downs to discuss any concerns about the treatment that is being conducted.
- Prince Georges County representative, Stormy Keys would encourage those that have any issues to contact the county so they can come out and make a proper assessment.
- The county put out traps to find out what types are dangerous mosquitos we are dealing with in our community.
- One case of the West Nile was determined, and this was treated.
- Types of Mosquitoes:
 - Tiger mosquitos are the ones that strike during the day and can breed in a cap full of water.
 - Garden mosquitos come out at night.
- If you have bamboo in your yard, you can expect to have a lot of mosquitos. Keep your home maintained free and clear of sitting water.

Membership

- Lisa Henry is the new Membership chair; we have a list of about 900 neighbors but only approximately 160 are members. Let's all help to get others engaged.
- Encouraging our community to come out to those Friday night socials, we need to make our community viable, we have a lot of things to talk about to make our community better. If you know someone that is new in the community, get them active to make our community beautiful.

Welcome

- Tracy Simon is the new chair; she has gone out to give welcome baskets and facilitated people connecting with others in our community.
- If anyone is looking to get involved, please reach out to give a hand greeting to our new neighbors.

Tantallon Control Committee

- Montina Anderson is the new chair, and Robert Sensenig is the Co-chair along with 9 committee members. The team is looking forward to collaborating with the community, making positive strides in the future.
- TCC is a community of the TCA tasked with enforcing the convent in an equitable and transparent manor. We want to be in alignment with the convents.
- If you have any questions, please direct the link on our website; tcc.tca@gmail.com

Family Engagement

- Fran Brown, Chair and Mujaahida Latif Co- Chair want to see more families and reach the kids about family engagement.
- Several new and excited activities; teen back to school hangout, Hip hop paint and sip program, fall kiddie kickball throughout the year weather permitted, implemented school choice programs with different learning environments & platforms assessing what is the best fit for our children, and a large home school environment.

Old and New Business

- Sharon Jacks & JoAnn Davis expressed that due to personal reasons we are no longer able to fulfill these engagements, it has been an honor and privilege to collaborate with this community.
- We need more volunteers, there are several people who have helped, we wanted to thank you and are still here on the board to assist. JoAnne, thank you for your support and donations.

Announcements

Charles E. Walton expressed a big thanks to the following:

- Carter Ferrington for his hard work and dedication to the TCA.
- Sharon Jacks & JoAnne Davis for your contribution.

- Henrietta has sponsored a number of events to keep the community alive.
- A resident introduced a growing problem in our community as it relates to the Cat colonies. Looking for interested residents to partner with the T&R groups to help catch the cats and neuter them, to help improve a strategy for assisting with the cat population and figure out how to address this issue.
- Emmy Steward extended a heartfelt thank you to Keith West for his assistance. Emmy will no longer be serving as Business Manager. The association will be looking to backfill this position.

Closing Remarks

- Charles E. Walton Thank you for your time.
- If you do not pay your dues you cannot vote, we want to increase our membership we are on track, but we need everyone to get involved and generate new memberships.

Call for Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 8:36pm