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Minutes of the November 27, 2017 meeting

Attendees: Rich Burnes, Eric Leinhard, Ian Rothman, Dorinda Danneman, Josh Goodman, Marlin Jenkins, Michael Gelman, Josh Bogasky, Charlotte Crutchfield, Ira Unger, David Stonehill.

The updated Agenda was approved. The Minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report: No activity since the last meeting. Cash on hand is \$1,131.00. The income statement and the proposed budget, which assumes current members renew, was presented and approved.

The Primary elections next year are held on June 26, 2018. In District 19, two delegates are running for re-election, and there is one open seat. Rep. Kramer is running for the state senate seat that Senator Manno is vacating. Senator Manno is running for Congress. The filing deadline is February 26. A large field is expected for the county council and county executive and Governor's races.

A Motion to host two Candidate Forums was approved, the first for District 19 candidates and the second for County Council/Executive. A moderator may be needed to help allocate time to the candidates. Co-sponsors could include Strathmore-Bel Pre, Kemp Mill, the Four Corners Association. March and April would be good, with March 26th is the first choice. A motion to allow Josh Goodman to choose the dates and other details was approved.

Aspen Hill, Leisure World and the District 19 Club are also holding forums.

Poplar Run Clubhouse was discussed as a meeting place for 2018. It has a large parking lot, and holds 109 people upstairs and 110 downstairs. There would be no charge for the meeting space, and can be reserved for a year at a time. The motion to move to Poplar Run was approved, keeping Tivoli as a backup. Meetings will be held at Poplar Run Clubhouse beginning in January 2018.

Discussion of progress at the Glenmont MetroCentre project. Josh will ask Pete Jervey for an update.

At the November meeting of the Montgomery County Civic Federation, Rich Parsons, Vice Chair, Suburban Maryland Transportation Alliance spoke about plans for congestion relief; MD RT 29 BRT is underway, Silver Spring to White Oak; the Purple line construction has started, costing about \$150M per mile, for an estimated total of \$2.4B; construction of the I270/Watkins Mill Road interchange is expected to being in 2020. There are 14 improvements to I270 planned.

A new development is planned near the Twinbrook Metro station, across from Congressional Plaza. The county submitted a proposal to Amazon for the White Flint site.

In Aspen Hill, Lee Development is selling the former Vitro site to Lindsay Ford. The building will be demolished and a new car dealership will be built on the existing slab. A site plan has been submitted, they may be open in two years.

Furniture for the new Wheaton Library can be evaluated at the Interim Library, in the Wheaton Rescue Squad building.

The Glenmont Metro Station will be closed the weekend of December 2nd and 3rd.

The next Glenmont Exchange meeting will be held on Monday, January 22, 2018

NOTE: New meeting location – Poplar Run Clubhouse, 13500 Stargazer Lane, Silver Spring, MD 20906 – at the intersection of Poplar Run Drive and Stargazer Lane.

Minutes submitted by Dorinda Danneman, Secretary.