**Boyds Civic Association**

**October 16, 2014 Meeting Minutes**

President Chris Arndt called the BCA meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. on October 16, 2014. There were about 23 people in attendance.

**Minutes** (Maggie Bartlett) were approved.

**Treasurer’s Report** (Steve Gibson) was approved. We currently have $14,272. Future expenses should be modest. We should think of something special to do with those funds, for discussion at the January meeting.

**Business Old and New**

Miriam Schoenbaum summarized the working group discussion about transit improvements in Boyds. See attachment.

Do we want a facility? If we don’t, county may do it anyway. Or county might not support us the next time MARC wants to close our train stop.

The MCDOT expects to make a site decision at the end of October.

* One option would be to build on the former Anderson property and expand parking onto the GILLIAM/GUYNN property. This would involve widening White Ground Road with curb and gutter.
* Another option, use post office for turn around and Boyds Store for passenger drop off and pick up.
* Another option, use parkland at intersection of Barnesville Rd and 121.
* Another, buy the cement plant property and move the station there.
* Another, buy the light industrial site on Bucklodge Road.

Nominating Committee for next year’s officers: Chris is stepping down. Maggie and Steve will stay on. Anne Davies volunteered to chair. Will identify two more people.

Zoroastrian Community representatives, Perinaaz and Navroz Gandhi spoke. (Contact information below.) The official opening of the Temple was last month in Boyds. The members plan to participate in civic activities here. There will be Sunday school for kids every other Sunday, during the school year. People are welcome to stop in and introduce themselves whenever members are there.

Merritt Ednie has retired from Boyds Presbyterian Church.

The Cricket Field proposal will be discussed at the January meeting.

Upcoming events in Boyds: Marilyn DeReggie has proposed to make the Boyd-Machlin House a 501 C3 organization, with a foundation (Bonnie Brae Foundation) to support activities. It will be the upcounty affiliate of Strathmore Hall. First event will be an art exhibition by Roxanna Rohas, a week from Saturday, 6-8 p.m. The House will be open every Sunday thru November, 2-6 p.m. Reservations are required. Email: theminimountain@gmail.com.

Open House at Boyds Negro School is every Sunday through October. There will be a banjo concert on Oct 26, 2-4 p.m.

The Christmas tree lighting tradition will continue.

Adjournment at 9:30 pm.

Next BCA meeting: January 15, 2015

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