Woodland Heights Civic Association Meeting Feb. 11, 2026

Minutes

Pre-meeting pizza, provided by Mr. Kalifa of Zombie Pizza

6:30 meeting called to order, Cezar Carvalhaes presiding.

Welcome and introductions

Police report

- Lt. Barlow, 312th precinct reporting
- 3 crimes in the last 28 days 2 minor, I involving an automobile

Treasure's report – Mark Lewis

- $8,129.97 in the account
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Membership count – 106 households

Proposed Bylaws Committee

- Purpose: To review and assess the current bylaws, propose updates and changes to better align with the mission and vision of the residents of Woodland Heights. This committee, once established, will meet independently, and propose a draft by the April general meeting.
- Potential topics to review:
    - Household membership
    - Revisit standing committees
    - Establish mission and vision
    - Flexible meeting dates
    - Establish community fund grant
- The motion was seconded and passed. A request for volunteers for this committee was made by the president.

Vice President election

- Teresa Hermann was elected Vice President to a 2 year term

Guests:

- Block Flock 2026 Campaign
    - discussion about surveillance camera use, joined by Jon Bridges, (Office of the Chief of Police)
- Laney Sullivan
    - Friends of Fonticello Park updates
    - Fonticello Food Forest updates

Visioning Group Activity

- The groups were given 7 minutes to discuss the question below, with paper to record major points of the discussions and then each group was asked to report a summary to the gathering.
    1. What do you hope our neighborhood will look/feel like in 3 years from now?
    2. What are 2-3 things we should tackle to start making progress?

- Summary of ideas:
    - Safety in various forms was the most talked about:
        - Semmes Avenue safety
        - Bike lanes, bake safety and speeding/traffic calming
        - Road maintenance and potholes
    - Social connectivity
        - Better communications, both from the WHCA and among neighbors
        - More social events
        - Lists of neighborhood resources – individual and governmental
        - Welcome baskets
        - Letting people know about neighborhood events
    - Trees
    - Mentioned by three groups
    - Cataloging/tree survey
    - Native trees for street use
- Also
    - Pollinator gardens
    - Grocery store
    - Child care

- Education

5th district updates – Amy Robins

- garbage collection
- property tax possibilities
- Minimum wages temp workers
- district town hall meeting Feb. 18th
- surveys to take

Other neighbor notes:

Tiny Porch Concerts

- request for host sites, volunteers
- Cezar spoke on behalf of Emily McMillen

Stonewall on Stonewall

- Josh Green coordinator request for volunteers to plan this event

Mardi Gras Parade

- Happening on Sunday, Feb. 15th

Meeting adjourned