

**Minutes**  
**Tudor Area Community Council**  
**October 7, 2004**  
**Rogers Park Elementary Library**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Diane Etter. The minutes for September were approved as written. Attendance was 20 members and 3 guests. Dick Traini gave the Assembly report. The budget will be introduced on Tuesday with numerous opportunities for public comment. The new tobacco tax will reduce property taxes. The Assembly expects to study problems with group homes soon.

The Federation of Community Councils report: there is continued discussion of how to operate most efficiently with reduced funding. Decisions are expected in October.

New business:

Michelle Weston from the Fire Department gave a presentation about the future of Station 4 on MacInnes Street. Bond money is available to build a bigger station and several sites are being studied. One option may be to leave the station at the present site, but build a new bigger facility. Public comment is being taken through October.

**Motion:** Rich Tuott made a motion that Tudor Area Community Council support the Fire Department's larger facility, but we prefer that they stay in the present location. The motion was seconded and passed 16 – 2.

Area residents brought forward concerns regarding a pedestrian walkway at the east end of Crescent Drive. An adjoining homeowner has recently placed rocks in the walkway, which makes walking difficult. There was extensive discussion. Assemblyman Traini will find out who owns the walkway.

Residents bordering David Green Park brought forward concerns regarding late night noise, drinking, and occasional gunshots at David Green Park. There was also concern raised about the large groups that rent the shelter for picnics, in that there is not adequate parking for such large groups. This results in cars parking on the bike trail, the grass, the church parking lot, and up and down the adjoining streets. It was felt that there are too many picnic tables at the park in relation to available parking.

**Motion:** Rich Tuott moved that the council request that APD put the park on a regular patrol along with the church parking lot, and enforce the park closing hours.

The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

**Motion:** Steven Aufrecht made a motion that the council work with Parks and Rec and the APD to deal with problems at David Green Park, such as overcrowding and lack of adequate parking, and overflow parking in the church parking lot.

The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

**Motion:** Tod Biles made a motion that the council suggest the Fire Department look at using half of David Green Park for their new location. The motion was seconded and passed 10 – 6.

Assemblyman Traini will check on the status of the parking lot lights for the park, which were scheduled to be part of the current road project.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 PM