

Greater Wilton Woods Citizens Association Meeting – November 20, 2007

Parry opened the meeting at 7:35.

Treasurer's report: The balance is currently \$4,803, after expenses such as National Night Out, Lee District Awards, and mailings

The speaker was Kambiz Agazi, the environmental coordinator for Fairfax County. His position involves program policy for the county.

Mr. Agazi came to speak to the membership on climate change and air quality and the county's efforts for both issues.

Documents handed out:

- Cool Counties Policies and Programs Template
- Cool Towers Hotel (Brochure for Board of Supervisors (BOS))
- Environmental Improvement Program-the plan to implement the vision
- BOS' Environmental Agenda (established in 2004)

-The Environmental Agenda has been formally adopted by the FCBOS. It is a vision plan that began with 6 major theme areas: growth and land use, air quality and transportation, water quality, solid waste, parks trails and open spaces, environmental stewardship. Climate change and trees (e.g. tree canopy) were added later.

-In January 2007, an announcement was made by the BOS of the "cool counties" initiative—thus the cool counties policies and programs template.

-Renewable energy that Fairfax County uses: wind energy, solar panels, landfill-to-gas energy (installed 2500 feet of pipe to provide it to the Dept of Vehicle Services Garage at the West Ox facility for radiant heating).

-Hybrid vehicles are used by the county; some are plug-in models.

-Education and Outreach available

-Water Conservation is being encouraged; this reduces wastewater, which requires less water treatment.

-Mr. Agazi provided the following website for more information:

www.fairfaxcounty.gov/living/environment/eip/

-Q&A on recycling, telecommuting/teleworking programs

Parry adjourned the meeting at 9:15.