



# **Schofield Community Association**

## **Meeting Minutes**

### **Agenda:**

- I. Call Meeting to Order**
- II. Welcome and Introductions**
- III. Agenda of Meeting**
- IV. Presentation – Poetry Alma Finnie**
- V. Salute to Black History Month**
- VI. January 2025 Minutes (informal)**
- VII. Treasurer’s Report**
- VIII. New Business**
  - **Election of Officers**
  - **UNION Street Cleanup – February 15<sup>th</sup> 9:00am Corner Union & Richland**
  - **Black History Parade February 17th**
  - **Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Meeting**
  - **City UDO (Unified Development Ordinance) Meetings**
- IX. Kershaw Street Demonstration Project (KSDP)**
  - **City of Aiken/Aiken Corporation/Schofield Community Association**
  - **KSDP Advisory Council formation**
  - **Grant Writing Committee**
- X. Adjourn meeting.**

### **Minutes:**

### **Reports:**

Call to order. New board member proposed and confirmed. Rachel Raia will be the new secretary.

The SCA president reported that the SCA did not have a float in the Black History Parade this year. SCA is a member of the City of Aiken’s Community Development Committee which manages Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) programs. Frances Frinfrock had done some research on how these entities function in other communities and reported on her findings.

Frinfrock reported on the numbers: profit, losses, houses purchased, money spent, outcomes. She described projects such as the purchase of homes in foreclosure, payment assistance programs, neighborhood renewal, new construction and repairs. Areas where Aiken could increase efficacy

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and efficiency were described. The group also discussed regulatory outcomes such as the creation and enforcement of ordinances.

The president reported on the status of funding for SCA's Kershaw Street Pilot Project. Funds were not yet secured but were proposed to be managed by Aiken Corporation and distributed to SCA as needed. The creation of an Advisory Council to guide the project's execution was discussed. The list of potential lots on the Kershaw block and the mechanism for revolving funds was reviewed. Many from the sale of each home will go back into the fund. General discussion about the potential outcomes and goals of the project if funded ensued, including design review, historic overlay, homebuyer assistance, increased tax revenue, landscaping of parkways and relationship to other revitalization projects currently funded in the city.

#### **Action Items:**

Continue to work with the city to secure funding

#### **Adjournment:**

Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:45pm

**End of Minutes**