## PARK SPRINGS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION MINUTES OF QUARTERLY GENERAL MEETING

**February 9, 2009** 

The meeting was called to order by PSNA President John Williams at 7:03pm, and the minutes as printed on the agenda were approved. The treasurer's report which was also printed showed a balance of \$1,481.48, which includes \$906.55 in general funds, and \$574.93 in funds designated for the landfill fight.

Travis County Sheriff's Officers who attended were Capt. Art Cardenas TCSO East Command, Sgt. Richard Hale, Det. Robert Ames, Sgt. Gordon Dye, Lt. Jason Jewert, Capt. Frank Lofton, along with Deputy James Kitchens, Senior Deputy Vincente Galloway, and Nicole Durand, Community Services Liason of TSCO Community Outreach Unit. Officers reported that there has been an increase in burglaries mostly in the congested areas but not necessarily in our specific area. They also recommended that all assets be marked, and a record kept of model and serial numbers. Telephone numbers to call for illegal dumping are East Command 854-9721 from 8 to 5 and ask for Detective Parker, or 974-0845, option 3 for dispatch 24 hours.

Announcements included the Austin City Council scheduled vote on February 12<sup>th</sup> on the Solar Contract at City Council Chambers and members were encouraged to attend.

East Rural Travis County Advisory Board announced a Black History luncheon on February 20<sup>th</sup> at 600 West Carey Manor Street in Manor.

Ed Clark, Communications Director of Austin Energy made a power point presentation about the planned 30 MW Solar Power RFP on the northern portion of about 320 acres of Austin's 2872-acre tract of land on Blake Manor Road, commonly referred to as the "Webberville Tract". The plan is for the project to be completed and on line by December 31, 2010, if approved by Austin City Council. Geimini Solar Development Company, LLC of San Francisco, CA will be responsible for permitting, design, construction, operation and maintenance of the project. The proposed agreement is that Austin Energy will purchase energy generated for 25 years at a set price and provide the site on the Webberville tract. Clark reported that the planned solar array will be the largest single solar PV project in the US, and one of the 10 largest in the world, which will probably draw world-wide visitors. Though he was unable to answer all questions posed by members of PSNA, Clark said "Austin Energy intends to follow through with subsequent meetings with your group as the project firms up, with answers in advance of actions – to all questions."

New business of the association included a reminder that new officers will be elected at the May General Meeting and members were encouraged to volunteer to serve as an officer or on the Nominating Committee by calling Sharon Bramblett or John Williams.

There being no new business, a motion to adjourn was made and seconded at 9:05 p.m.