

Friends of Fort Halifax Park

February 18, 2014

Dear Member:

This is to announce that the Friends of Fort Halifax Park Board of Directors has scheduled a Special Meeting of the General Membership for **Thursday, March 20, 2014 at 7:00 PM**. This Special Meeting will be held at the Halifax Area Historical Society Building, 228 Mkt. St., Halifax, PA. The purpose of this Meeting is to consider, comment, and vote on amended Bylaws and new Standing Rules for our Organization.

Procedures for amending the current Bylaws were formally approved at our General Membership Meeting last November. The amendments and new Standing Rules being proposed have received the unanimous approval of your elected Board of Directors.

Primarily, the proposed change in the Bylaws will revise and clarify the stated mission of your Organization so as to specify unequivocally that our purpose is to support, both operationally and financially, Halifax Township in the development and maintenance of Fort Halifax Park. Essentially the operational change being proposed is to turn commonplace control of our Organization over to the General Membership, subject only to oversight by the Board of Directors. This means that at Regular 1st Tuesday Monthly Meetings, it will be the input and majority vote of Regular Members in attendance that controls what we do, how we spend our money, *etc.* Other less significant changes are intended to remedy miscellaneous inadequacies of the current Bylaws.

The new proposed Standing Rules address the more mundane aspects of our Organization's operation. They are expressly structured so as to be more easily changed than the Bylaws. All of the six proposed Standing Rules reflect operating standards that are already in place; some of which, most notably the Membership Dues schedule, have simply been relocated here from the current Bylaws.

Complete versions of the Proposed Amended Bylaws and new Proposed Standing Rules, as well as the current Bylaws, can be downloaded to your computer from our Official Webpage: www.forthalifaxpark.org. Hard copies of the proposed documents can also be obtained by calling 717-896-8510 or 717-919-6521. We hope to see everyone at the March 20th Special Meeting.

Sincerely yours,

Dane Snyder,
Corresponding Secretary

PS Reminder: 2014 Membership Renewals are now being accepted. Don't forget to send in your dues if you haven't already done so!