

Model Neighborhood Weekly Machine

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MECHANICSVILLE N.A.C. MET MODEL CITIES

ABSENTEEISM PROPOSAL

The Model Cities Neighborhood Advisory Council for Mechanicsville met at the home of the chairman Mrs. Alyce Nixon 703 Cooper St. Wednesday.

There were 8 residents, an E.O. A. Model Cities Assistant to Profession, assigned to Mechanicsville Miss Rose-Mary Stewart Model Cities Neighborhood Organizer Specialist.

Miss Stewart was introduced to the group by Mrs. Nixon. Miss Stewart gave a brief description of the N.A.C. purpose and duties, there was question's and answer and a limited amount of question's.

It was established that all the area blocks had organized except the blocks of 3,4,10. In Mechanicsville there are 10 area blocks, one to ten. Area block 10 will conduct an election Thursday night Dec. 12, 1968 7:30 P.M. the boundary for area block 10 are Windsor St. west, Ormond north south, R.R. south, Pryor St. east, Pryor St. west, Bass St. north, Pullium east, and Ormond St. south; This is a very unusal geographical outlined area block. There are seven blocks, four together and three together. In this area there are over 2,000 resident, 1000 resident, are expected to vote. They will vote for a representative to serve on the N.A.C. Mechanicsville Community.

Mrs. Rosa Burney a resident living on Garibaldi St. was asked to call a meeting of her area block. She agreed to. The area block is number 3. The boundaries are Bass St., north; McDaniel St. west; Sou. R.R south; Windsor St. east.

It was in 1965 the Mechanicsville, Summerhill Improvement Committee entered a action project to alleviate Absenteeism in the elementary schools and high schools that serve the two communities. Mrs. Alyce Nixon was, and still is the chairman of that committee. No one has been elected for the past three years. Maybe its best that no one has been elected to serve as chairman.

The committee in 1965 after several months of researching and compiling facts, approved a recommendation to curb absenteeism in the schools. From the recommendation a proposal was drawn up with the assistance of the Community Council Atlanta Area. It was sent to the Superintendent of schools Dr. John W. Letson.

In a meeting with Dr. Hilliard A. Bowen, Assistant Superintendent last week this same proposal was brought to the attention of the committee three years later. Dr. Bowen admitted it was a good proposal, and some implementation should result.

A REPORT FROM SAVANNAH

When the machine went to press it had not recieved a word of the 32 resident trip to the city of Savannah, for Model Cities. It is anticipated by the Machine that reports will be available by the next issue.

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Whose side are you on Blacks,
Whose side are you on.

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MODEL CITIES BOARD APPROVES
1969 PLANS

EDITORIAL

Model Cities Executive Board has approved the proposed 1969 C.D.A. plan. The plan was received by the federal officials also, who may suggest changes or approve as is.

Johnny Johnson in his brief report said about 500-600 jobs will derive from the employment component, for area resident. To assure this a lot of the requirement will have to be waived that will enable the residents to get these jobs. The latter sentence is essence of the report.

About \$17 million is to be spent in the Model Cities area, for the first year, \$200 million will be budgeted for the five year plan.

AREA BLOCK TEN MET
AT PRYOR ST. SCHOOL

If you live in area block ten, or know where area block ten is you should have been at Pryor St. School Thursday night, 7:00 P.M.

There was a Model Cities Meeting to get Representatives for the Model Cities Neighborhood Advisory Council. A 12 pound turkey was to be given away to the lucky ticket holder.

Were you there you should've been.

PAIR ARE UPSETTING COMMUNITY

A rumor is being spreaded by a pair of unidentified peoples, urging residents to make haste and move. This pair has been stated to be employed by the Model Cities office. The rumor is that the peoples that are living in clearance areas or poorly kept houses should move into the housing project because they quality. And they are moving fast. Rumor or not, is the cause good or bad?

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Are the peoples in Atlanta that are residents of the Community Action Agencies, Cities Demonstration Agencies, and others, acknowledged of the programs enough to participate in the complicated system of being involved?

Each of the agencies are using the same identical structure, and the same participants. In all fairness the participants are so involved that some of them don't know what is happening themselves.

It was recommended that the structure of the system be brought to the peoples for understanding. The majority of the residents do not know what area blocks are; what Advisory Councils are; what representatives are; what a Board is; what they do; or are elected to do. It is no wonder resident participation is at a minimum.

The residents must know before they can get involved what the program is all about. The Machine recommends Program knowledge first. Take time and let the residents know what the program is, and how they will benefit. They will then get involved

***** Little Bird Lights On Machine.

And Said,

"Where is the Sum-Mec Centers Director? He was #4, why can't they keep a Director?"

Machine answers, "I have asked that same question plenty of times, I myself don't know". "Well," Bird takes off. "I will ask E.O.A and tell you next week what they say. Bye"

EMPLOYMENT

MODEL CITIES Q,s & A,s

Field Representative: Duties; Setting up Town Hall meetings in the Communities for the Community Relation Commission, and serve as a liaison between the communities and the Commission Minimum Requirements; Three to five years experience in the social service field. A long time resident of Atlanta is desired. Salary; \$6,487

Clerk -Typist Duties; Routine typing and clerical work. Keeping orderly file system, answering telephone and acting as receptionist for the Commission. Minimum Requirments; Be able to type at a speed of 40 words a minute. Salary; \$ 355 per month Call 522-4463, ext. 433

Mechanicsville Manpower

Want a Job men , women

Every Tuesday morning 9 A.M til 12 Noon, Georgia State Employment Representative will interview any person looking for a job. Mechanicsville Community Center Call 522-8530 Tues. 9-12

Q. What is the Steering Committee? A. The Steering Committee is the out growth of a Task Force Committee that was originatly the Interested Group of citizens that met and approved the present Resident Participation Plan.

Q. Were they elected, or appointed? A. They were first a selected group of volunteers, residents volunteering to serve. Later by virtue of service were elected by the Interested Group.

Q. What part do they play in the Model Cities Program?

A. It is the Steering Committee, that represents the residents living in the Model Cities Area, through the Mass Convention, that is considered the Citizens Participation Organization. It is through the Steering Committee that the residents ideas, plans and involvement is accounted as, Citizens Participation.

HURRAH! HURRAH! HURRAH! HURRAH! NOTICE! NOTICE! NOTICE!

Manufacturing Company To Open

At last the community owned, first in Atlanta, will open for production. The Officers and members of Model Neighborhood Mfg. Co are all glad that at last this in a number of Industrial Developing Corporation is now underway.

Appreciation is hereby placed to the Atlanta, Jaycees, the Advisory Board of Model Neighborhood Inc three private businessmen that wish to remain anonymous, and others.

Mrs. Elizabeth Lemons the Supervisor is to be congratulated for accepting this position and responsibility of managing this plant.

The Machine is a Community news weekly. It is the intent of the publisher to carry the news, announcements and ads, of every Community, and Organization that is on the South-side of town, and City-wide when it is of value to our neighbors.

Press deadline is Wednesday of each week. The phone number now is 523-6301 523-6301

Schools , Clubs, Individuals, No Politics.

