COBB COUNTY RETIRED EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION MINUTES July 15, 2013

The monthly meeting of the Cobb County Retired Employees Association was held on Monday, July 15, 2013 at the West Cobb Senior Center. There were 54 members and guests present. President David Stone called the meeting to order at 10:32 A.M.

Invocation was given by Melvin Holton followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Get well wishes were extended to Judy Clark and her husband Leroy both of whom have cancer.

New members Clayton (Blake) Shugart and Sallie Paist were welcomed.

SPEAKER: Cobb County Solicitor General Barry Morgan graduated from North Cobb High School and John Marshall Law School. He became Solicitor General in 1998.

Solicitor Morgan discussed some of the points of a recent high profile case in which a mother was crossing the road, not in the designated crosswalk, with children in tow and one of them ran out into the path of an oncoming vehicle and was killed. The woman was subsequently charged with a crime. The case gained international attention.

The Solicitor General is the prosecuting attorney for the state in the State Court of Cobb County. Solicitor Morgan finds it is always interesting and provides a great service for Cobb County citizens. The court handles over 180,000 traffic and misdemeanor cases a year and generates \$20-24 million per year. His office holds people accountable for their actions.

In response to a question Mr. Morgan stated that Georgia does not have a "Stand Your Ground" law per se but does have self-defense laws.

Mr. Morgan is running for re-election to the office he now holds.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Mike Ball reported a balance of \$6607.16. Motion was made by Mike Brice with a second to accept the report. Motion carried. **MINUTES:** The minutes of June 17, 2013 were printed and distributed. Motion was made by Mike Brice with a second to accept the Minutes. Motion carried.

LOGO: President Stone requested new logo suggestions from the membership.

NEXT MEETING: The BBQ will be next month, August 19, 2013 at West Cobb Senior Services Center. Reservations need to be made and calls will be made during the week of August 5th. It was agreed that sides of cole slaw and baked beans will be ordered instead of brunswick stew. The meeting will be at 11:00 AM. with lunch at 11:30 A.M.

ANNOUNCEMENT: President Stone announced the FOP cookout on July 25th at the FOP Lodge. Tickets are \$20 each.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:20 A.M.

Martha Watson, Secretary