

## **Minutes of the Ward Three Democratic Committee, Feb. 24, 2011**

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The first meeting of the 2011-2012 term of the Ward Three Democratic Committee (the Committee) was convened at St. Columba's Church in the District of Columbia on February 24, 2011. There were approximately 150 delegates and guests present. The Chair, Shelley Tomkin, called the meeting to order at 7:20 PM. She opened the meeting with remarks about the mission of Ward 3 Democratic Committee and an announcement of upcoming precinct elections to fill vacancies on the Committee to be held at the March 31, 2011 meeting. She introduced officers and other members of the Executive Board of the Committee.

The Chair recognized Corresponding Secretary, Mike Gold who presented speakers from Howard University Law School to discuss a research project on voting rights for District residents and a special meeting to be held at Howard University Law School.

The Chair welcomed Ward Three Councilmember Mary Cheh who addressed the meeting on issues before the D.C. Council and the Committee on Government Operations and the Environment which she chairs, and then took questions until the arrival of the Mayor.

The Chair introduced Mayor Vincent C. Gray who spoke about the finances of the city, areas of special interest, such as continued educational reform, job training and employment, and voting rights, and then he took questions.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 PM

The next Ward 3 Democratic Committee meeting will be held March 31, 2011 at St. Columba's Episcopal Church.