

Clifton Journal 9/9/15

held on Oct. 13, 7 p.m. in the Allwood Library.

Clifton Watchdog will be a nonpartisan organization to oversee the activities of Clifton's local government and keep local elected officials accountable for their actions. It will be the vehicle for the residents, workers and taxpayers of Clifton to make their voices heard (without fear of retaliation). The group will aim to keep local government free from partisan politics and free from the influence of special interest groups. Anyone will be free to report any acts of incompetence, waste or abuse and their identities will be kept confidential (if they so desire). However, at no time will Clifton Watchdog endorse any candidate or candidates.

One of the first actions of Clifton Watchdog is to sponsor a debate of the three candidates for Clifton City Council which the League of Women Voters has agreed to moderate, as they did with the BOE candidates' forum. The tentative date was set for Oct. 29 at 7 p.m., however, since this group is being formed by me, the administration and Council are pushing back and are refusing to have this debate held at the City Hall Complex. The mere fact that our local government is trying to stop this debate is one of the reasons why I have decided to form this group. If our local government believes that stopping this debate will hinder or

stop my efforts in organizing this group they are mistaken. We will find another location to hold this debate so that the voters of Clifton can ask their questions and make their voices heard.

Please come to our first meeting on Oct. 13 at 7 p.m. in the Allwood Library and be a part of this grass roots movement.

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New citizens' group

I am pleased to announce I am forming a new citizens group in Clifton called Clifton Watchdog. The group's first meeting will be