

**MONTPELIER COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.**

Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

Deerfield Community Center

June 10, 2008

**Trustees in Attendance:** Kendra Wagner, Terry Rowland, Patricia Douville, Paul Petit, Patricia Eisenburg, Sandy Martin, Minnie Clark Lamar

**Trustees Absent with Cause:** Julia Coldren Walker

**Community Members Present:** Bob and Mary Derrick, Jeri Witt, Richard Dengler and Tony Fleming

President, Kendra Wagner, called the meeting to order at 6:50. There was a quorum present to conduct business.

**Secretary's Report:** Minnie Clark Lamar

The May minutes were read and a motion was made by Trustee Petit and seconded by Trustee Wagner to accept the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report:** Jeri Witt

The financial report was distributed by Ms. Witt (see attached). It was decided no IOU's for guest passes would be taken at the pool since we are having such a hard time collecting for them. The Board decided not to renew the bonding insurance until the new board comes in. An administrative assistant application will be put in the July newsletter to see if anyone in the community is interested in the position.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

ACCC: Marcia Segura, Chair

See Attached report

Beautification Committee: Patricia Eisenburg, Chair

Ms. Eisenburg stated plans are being made to take the shrubs out of the planter between the wading pool and the big pool to improve the sightline of the guards. She did get an estimate from Ronnie Loberto regarding the work that needs to be done. The boxwoods that are in the planter will be destroyed when this work is done as the roots are too large to transplant them successfully.

Ms. Eisenburg suggested we do a "bring a plant" day to save money on refurbishing the planter. Mr. Derrick is getting 3 estimates to have the planter either repaired or replaced.

Benevolent Fund: Jeri Witt, Chair

See Attached report.

A yard sale was held with the community yard sale - \$113.00 was raised.

Facilities: Paul Petit, Chair

The bike racks have been painted, it cannot be moved inside since it is so old and bolted into the asphalt. The chain link fences can be painted instead of replacing them for now.

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A non-homeowner has asked to use our tennis courts to give lessons for which she will be paid. It was decided she could advertise in the newsletter and use our courts for Montpelier homeowners who want to use her services.

There was a complaint regarding LaCrosse players using the basketball court. It was decided since they are children of homeowners and no damage is being done to the court, to take no action.

It was decided the tree by the entrance sign should come down as it is impeding the sightline of drivers pulling out of the common grounds. Mr. Petit said he would talk to Medina about it.

There was a complaint regarding Medina using our dumpster - Mr. Petit will talk to them.

The light on the pavilion facing the playground is now operational.

A list was presented regarding repairs and Mr. Petit was asked to prioritize according to his experience with the common grounds. He would like an official committee formed to cover the whole common grounds. Mr. Derrick would like to be on any committee formed. Mr. Jordan, from Becht Engineering, would like to meet with the Board and go over his final report.

Gate Attendants: Jeri Witt

Adults (non-homeowners) who have been put on a pool form, shown as living in the residence, must show valid ID with the Montpelier address the first time they come. Everyone is signing in, including Lighthouse pool personnel.

We have several compliments regarding how well the pool attendants are doing and how clean and nice the pool looks.

The hours for pool parties have changed in that there is a 2 hour limit and then you can move your guests to the pool area. Homeowners can use the coolers and the kitchen area but not any supplies that are down there.

It was suggested we put signs in the kitchen noting the supplies belong to either "Swim Team" or "MCA". Mary Derrick has volunteered to put up signs designating these areas.

Pool Committee: Patricia Douville, Chair

Lynne Gerlach is the manager this year and so far everything is going quite well,

The pool is being utilized and will be more so when the water temperature comes up. We do have a defibrillator at the pool this year - Lighthouse furnished it - and the guards are trained on its use.

They are trying to accommodate some homeowners who want aerobics - plans are still being formulated.

Mike Owens needs to be in the pool area before the pool opens - Mr. Petit will arrange the time with Mr. Owens.

A question was raised, since homeowners can use the grills up at the pool this year, who will be responsible for keeping them full. Mr. Bob Derrick has volunteered to do so.

Swim lessons are being given at Patuxent Greens.

Security Committee: Richard Dengler, Chair

Several properties were "tagged" last week with paint being sprayed on car covers and an RV. There is no indication of who the culprits are at this time but it is still under investigation.

Mr. Dengler would like to see us form a Neighborhood Watch but he has tried to implement this idea before with little results.

The police are keeping an eye on a problem house in the neighborhood.

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Social Committee: No chair

Teen Party was cancelled as was the adult party. Several homeowners are working on a "kid's day" but nothing definite has been decided.

Memorial Day party was organized by Mary Derrick - was very successful

Traffic: Sandy Martin

Val Kaplan has volunteered to be the contact on the Kontera situation. She wanted Board approval to represent the community and the Board welcomes her information gathering and presentation to the Board on what is going on with the Kontera.

ICCC traffic using Cedarbrook and Mt.Pleasant is a big concern to our homeowners and it was suggested we make these roads one way in the morning and afternoon, if possible, to deter non-homeowners from using these two roads to get to Rt. 197.

Communications: Tony Fleming

Mr. Fleming stated he was surprised after all the comments on the listserv that no one showed up at the Board meeting to state their views.

No board members or committee chairs should respond on the "Hartley" list to any official business. All responses from either party should be on the official MCA list.

We need to clarify some points in the newsletter regarding both lists.

Mr. Fleming is going to do a poll to see what the community wants of this new list.

There will be no anonymous listings.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Kendra Wagner stated she had contacted the persons interested in working on the By-Laws. She will follow up on her email.

Criscoli's contract is up for renewal - any changes should be made at time of signing. The tennis court needs some attention. A motion was made by Mr. Petit to renew the Criscoli's contract. It was seconded by Mr. Rowland and passed unanimously.

#### **NEW BUSINESS;**

The matter of the community sign came up again and it was decided Ms. Witt would reopen this issue and bring some information to the Board.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:20.

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, August 12, 2008 at Deerfield Community Center.