

MONTPELIER COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.

Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

Deerfield Community Center

August 12, 2014

Trustees in Attendance: Bob Derrick, Lillian Fazio, Jack Keating, Richard Mason and Jean Sorrentino.

Trustees Absent with Cause: Paul Buehler, Patricia Douville, Brad Gimbert, and Tim Jacobs.

Community Members Present: Felipe Arzayus, Mary Derrick and Mary Hughes.

President Bob Derrick called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM. There was a quorum to conduct business.

Secretary's Report: Tricia Douville (absent)

- The minutes of the July 2014 Board meeting were reviewed and Trustee Fazio made a motion to accept the amended minutes. Trustee Sorrentino seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Lillian Fazio

- Trustee Fazio prepared the monthly statements which were distributed.
- Trustee Fazio reported that almost \$22,000 is still outstanding in delinquent assessments. Fifteen new delinquent members were sent a Notice of Intent to File a Lien by the MCA attorney. All delinquent are in hands of the MCA attorney.
- \$20,600 was deposited into the Reserve Fund in accordance with the By-Laws.
- The MCA was sent a property tax and clean water tax statement.

ACCC: Michael Boddie, Chairperson

- Mr. Boddie reported that the ACCC invited the management of the group home on Silverbirch Lane and the homeowners that registered complaints to the last meeting. The group home manager was cooperative and will try to alleviate the traffic and other annoyances.
- Progress is being made on a long-standing violation, but a fine is accruing until all repairs are finished. The board asked the ACCC to send a Statement of Fines as of August 1 rather than waiting for all repairs to be made.
- The yard maintenance at the vacant house on Silverbirch is currently being taken care of by neighbors. The ACCC is not sure how long this maintenance arrangement will last. The assessment is past due. The Administrative Assistant will pass information to the MCA attorney for the collection efforts. Security Cmty will keep an eye on the empty home and the ACCC will monitor the home as well.

Pool Committee: Mary Derrick, Chairperson

- Ms. Derrick reported that the new tables and chairs have been ordered.
- There was vandalism at the pool. Lane lines, chairs, an umbrella and a foosball table were damaged (approximately \$1,500 damage). No police report was made at the time of the incident, but Trustee Mason has notified the police. Trustee Keating suggested that the MCA file a police report and send a letter to the parents/guardians of the culprits explaining the vandalism and seeking restitution.

Social Committee: Patricia Douville, Chairperson (absent)

- Mr. Arzayus, the 5K Race/Walk and Fun Run coordinator, reported on the event planning. The price has increased, but participants will receive a T-shirt designed by a neighborhood family member, Caleb Heidel. The event organizers will consider talking to the Laurel area EMS about being available and maybe even parking in the neighborhood during the event. The pool bathrooms will be open and Montpelier Mansion bathrooms will also be available. Mr. Arzayus expects 200-250 runners.
- The Fall Festival will be Saturday, October 25.

Security Committee: Richard Mason, Chairperson

- Trustee Mason submitted his report.
- Reported that yard items were stolen from a house on Silverbirch.
- Annual Night Out was very successful and the police department publicly thanked the Montpelier community for their donations to the Adrian Morris Fund (police officer fallen in the line of duty).
- Trustee Mason emphasized how important it is for members to turn on outdoor lights nightly.

Tennis Committee: Lillian Fazio, Chairperson

- Trustee Fazio reported that several “Learn Pickleball” events have been held this summer.

Traffic Committee: Richard Mason, Chairperson

- Trustee Mason reported that the County replaced 26 dead trees in the neighborhood. Ms. Derrick reported that gate attendants called all the homeowners who received new trees and asked them to remember to water the trees.
- Pepco was asked to replace two of the trees along the power line access that have died.
- A meeting was held with Mary Lehman regarding street lights on Pleasant Court. Two additional street lights will be installed along the end of Mt. Pleasant, but none will be installed on Pleasant Court. Homeowners on the court will be encouraged to use personal, outdoor lighting.

OLD BUSINESS

- The new playground equipment was ordered. It will be installed in four to six weeks. A tetherball is included.
- Representatives from District VI will be invited to the Annual Meeting.
- After further investigation of the pool, white coating will not need to be done.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Concrete needs to be replaced near the bath house around to the front of the guard shack because of bad cracks. The area needs to be measured and an estimate/proposal developed.
- Nominations for the new Board of Trustees are closed. There are nine nominees for the nine spots on the board.

The next Board meeting will be held on **Tuesday, September 9, 2014 at 7:00 PM** at Deerfield Recreation Center, preschool room. The motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 8:22 pm. The motion passed unanimously.