

MONTPELIER COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.

Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

Deerfield Community Center

June 9, 2015

Trustees in Attendance: Bob Derrick, Patricia Douville, Lillian Fazio, Brad Gimbert, Tim Jacobs, Jack Keating, Richard Mason and Jean Sorrentino.

Trustees Absent with Cause: Paul Buehler and Tim Jacobs.

Community Members Present: Sean Beaver, Michael Boddie, Matthew Collman, Mark Middlebusher and Mary Hughes.

President Bob Derrick called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM. There was a quorum to conduct business.

Secretary's Report: Tricia Douville

- The minutes of the May 2015 board meeting were reviewed. Trustee Keating made a motion to accept the minutes. Trustee Mason 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 \$772 was donated to the Swim Team with the assessments this year and \$1,413 was donated to the Benevolent Fund. The Swim Team donations were sent to Ms. Spitz, the Swim Team treasurer and the Benevolent Fund donations were transferred to the Benevolent Fund account.
- There are 26 unpaid assessments, which is the same number as last year at this time. \$4,200 was collected last month on long term delinquents.

ACCC Committee: Michael Boddie, Chairperson

- Mr. Boddie reported that the ACC has had success contacting management companies responsible for vacant houses and will continue to keep on them to maintain these properties.
- The recent litigation ended in favor of defendants MCA and the homeowner who owns the fence. Trustee Derrick thanked Mr. Boddie for representing the ACCC in this litigation and for his service to the community. Mr. Boddie was dismayed with the thought of continued litigation. Plaintiffs have appealed, but this will only involve the lawyers and will be argued in front of a three judge panel if it continues.

Communications Committee: Sean Beaver, Chairperson

Mr. Beaver compiled a list of 212 vendors for the website which will be useful for members to use for a referral list.

Facilities Committee: Paul Buehler and Brad Gimbert, Co-Chairs

- Trustee Gimbert reported that the company sent the wrong top for the shade structure, but a new one is on its way.
- Trustees Buehler and Gimbert are working on the infield dragging.

Pool Committee: Mary Derrick, Chairperson (absent)

- There is a small leak which appears to be from a gasket which will be repaired by Lighthouse.
- The baby pool leak may be fixed or at least it is not leaking as fast as it was. It is difficult to gauge how much water is lost to evaporation versus a leak.
- The baby ducks hatched and have disappeared on their own.

Social Committee: Patricia Douville, Chairperson

- The Memorial Day Potluck had about 200 attendees. Trustee Douville thanked everyone for their help.
- The 4th of July is on a Saturday and Trustee Douville is considering doing the potluck on the 5th. Participation is not usually as good on Saturdays because there are so many other places and things to do.
- Pizza at the Pool starts on June 17. Volunteers and coordinator are needed because there are a few dates that Trustee Douville won't be available to organize the dinner.
- Water aerobics started. Monday and Thursday, \$5, 7:00-7:50 pm.

Security Committee: Richard Mason, Chairperson

- There were a couple of nuisance incidents on Silverbirch involving silly string and broken bottles.
- Police are investigating a report of drug sales in the neighborhood.

- Trustee Mason would like to organize a child and adult id program for the neighborhood.
- Police Night Out will be August. Volunteers are needed and appreciated.
- The Sheriff's presented a program at the last Cops Coffee. They are proud of their child welfare programs. They would like to organize a bike ride in the neighborhood if there is any interest.

Traffic Committee: Richard Mason, Chairperson

- Mr. Beaver is working closely with Dianne Harris, on the Residential Permit Parking Program Administrator and the initial meeting should be set up soon.
- Corporal Wilson has been ticketing speeders on Montpelier Drive two or three times a week.
- Russell Carroll is scheduling a meeting with engineers on the Montpelier Drive Project. Trustee Mason and Derrick will also attend.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Trustee Derrick spoke with Pat Valentine about the Bradford Pear Tree Replacement Program. Due to budget problems and problems with insects killing some of the new trees, the survey and marking of trees might not be done this year or it might only be completed on one street. We should identify which streets are a priority.
- Mr. Middlebush presented details on the upcoming 3rd annual 5K. It will be Saturday, August 5. Early registration will start July 4th. He has approval from MNCPPC and the police have committed. He would like to discuss a post race party. Trustee Mason will speak with the Project Manager about the WSSC work and any possible conflicts that might arise at that time. They have decided not to do t shirts this year as it will double the cost of registration. Early registration will be available at the pool and website. Mr. Middlebush presented the budget for the race. Trustee Douville made a motion to accept the budget. Trustee Keating seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. A suggestion was made to use chalk rather than paint to mark the course.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Matthew Collman, a boy scout in Troop 1250, presented his proposed Eagle Scout Project. He would like to set up three new benches in the playground area and move one of the old benches which sits on a hill and is sinking. He would also set up a new picnic table. He would like to set up an ebay page to get donations for memorial plaques for the benches. They will be made from a trex-like material and he estimates the total cost to be \$2,900 (benches \$570 each, picnic table \$900, extras \$290). An article will be put in the newsletter. Trustee Keating asked Matthew to create a line item to replace all the benches with trex materials. Trustee Keating made a motion to accept the plan. Trustee Sorrentino seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. The project should start sometime in September or October.
- Trustee Douville reported that the upper portion of a tree behind the flag pole is dead. There is another tree near the tennis courts at Briardale that should be removed.
- Complaints about solicitors were discussed. The MCA has never given permission to any solicitors to canvas the neighborhood and the signs at the entrances to the community state that permission is required. If a solicitor won't leave after being told to go, call the police.

The next board meeting will be held on **Tuesday, July 14, 2015 at 7:00 PM** at Deerfield Recreation Center, preschool room. The motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 8:01 pm. The motion passed unanimously.