

MONTPELIER COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.

Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

Deerfield Community Center

August 9, 2016

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

Trustees Absent with Cause: Tim Jacobs, Brad Gimbert

Community Members Present: Richard ReWalt, Paula Rojas, Sean Beaver, Mary Derrick and Michelle Gimbert.

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

Secretary's Report: Tricia Douville

- The minutes of the July 2016 board meeting were reviewed. Trustee Keating made a motion to accept the minutes. Trustee Sorrentino seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Lillian Fazio

- Trustee Fazio prepared the monthly statements, which were distributed.
- There are still 22 unpaid assessments (\$6300). Uncollected assessments amount to \$17,230. This amount is long term and current delinquents added together.
- Delinquents will be sent to Attorney to start collection efforts.
- Verizon bill has arrived for \$427.00, which covers two months. Committee Member S. Beaver said not to pay until the credits for the extended outage in service show up in the next bill.

ACC Committee: Jack Keating, Chairperson

- 9101 Montpelier Drive homeowner was present at meeting and requested that the Board provide an exception to the size and materials of the fence he is requesting after the Architectural, Control and Compliance Committee has declined his request. The fence is made of metal and looks like wrought iron. ACCC member S. Beaver was in attendance and explained that the covenants state that the only material that is acceptable is wood or chain link and thus the Committee disapproved the request. The homeowner was appealing to The Board. The Board reviewed the homeowner's paperwork. Trustee Keating made a motion to approve the homeowner's request. The motion was seconded by Trustee Douville. The motion passed unanimously. Trustee Derrick thanked the homeowner for taking the time to come to the meeting.
- The Board discussed future requests that may arise where Members may ask for approval for fences made of materials other than wood and chain link. Trustee Douville made a motion to grant the ACCC authorization to approve fences that are composed of other materials in good taste. The motion was seconded by Trustee Fazio and passed unanimously. A letter will be sent to the ACCC regarding both the results of the appeal for 9101 Montpelier and their authorization to allow other materials to be used if in good taste.

Communications Committee: Sean Beaver, Chairperson

- The Wi-Fi at the pool is off to a bad start. Since it has been installed the line has been cut twice. Once by WSSC and the second time is yet to be determined. Chairperson Beaver is working on getting the proper credits for these outages.
- There are 467 residents have joined the MCA website. This is a 30% increase for this year alone.
- The cameras will be installed at the pool by the close of the pool season. The equipment has been ordered and the installers are requesting assistance when they come as to where the cameras will be placed. There will be a total of six cameras installed. Trustee Derrick and Trustee Keating will call a meeting to decide on placement locations once the installers are ready.
- Trustee Buehler questioned again if we still aren't paying too much for the Wi-Fi service and maybe we could go with a lower bandwidth and increase it as needed. Chairperson Beaver explained that more bandwidth is needed for the cameras when they are installed as well as the Wi-Fi. He will continue to search for a better rate and will keep the Board updated.

Facilities Committee: Paul Buehler and Brad Gimbert

- Lighting fixtures in the pool parking lot will be fixed when the electrician comes to install the cameras.

Tennis Report: Lillian Fazio

- A quote was received from Mid Atlantic Asphalt in Linthicum to properly clean the tennis courts. They want \$4000. M. Derrick is getting two other quotes and will get back with Trustee Fazio when they come in.

Pool Committee: Mary Derrick, Chairperson

- The last day for the pool is Sunday, September 11th.
- Dog day at the pool is Saturday, September 17th from 12 – 5.
- Trustee Buehler has requested an additional two weeks for the adult lap swimmers in the morning. It was requested that the guards provide their hours to M. Derrick for those days/hours. Trustee Keating made a motion to extend the morning adult lap swimming an additional three weeks beyond the original six weeks. Trustee Douville seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. The lap swimming will now go through August 19th. There is a sign-up sheet at the pool and it was suggested that we advertise it next year.

Security Committee: Richard Mason, Chairperson

- There were no reported crimes in the community since the last meeting. Homeowners are using 911.
- Personal Security Forum – coordinated by B. Chan, Deputy Security Chairman.
 - Det. Elser – Present policing and evidence to capture Delonte Jamol Prince.
 - COPS unit to present home surveys and personal defense.
 - Sgt. Gleason to present self defense
- COPS unit to assist with 5K run/walk on 9/03/16.
- P.G. County National Night Out – 2500 residents attended. S. Beaver and B. Chan volunteered.
- Walk with Police - Thursday, 8/11/16 at 8 am at the pool parking lot.
- B. Chan was unanimously voted into the P.G. County District VI Citizens Advisory Council (This give MCA 2 members on the Advisory Council).
- Thanks to B. Chan for taking the lead with the security while R. Mason was away.
- Community member P. Rojas has signed up for the Citizens Police Academy.

Social Committee: Patricia Douville, Chairperson

- There will be a few more “Pizza at the pool” on Wednesday evenings.
- Water Aerobics is ongoing.
- The final potluck of the year will be held on Saturday, September 3rd. There will be a bike parade and field games starting at 2:00 pm.
- The 4th annual Montpelier 5K will be held on Saturday, September 3rd.
- August 27th is the date for the Adult Pool Party. There will be live music, BYOB (beer and wine only); a food truck will be there. No tickets will be sold but for those who want food they will pay the food truck directly. The party will be from 7 – 10 pm. You must be 21 or older to enter. All patrons under 21 will need to leave the pool by 7 pm. Guest passes will be needed for all patrons that are not community members but are being brought in by a community member. This will be advertised on the *Yahoo Group Listserv, Nextdoor* and posters at the pool and around the neighborhood.

Traffic Committee: Richard Mason, Chairperson

- Attendance for the P.G County Department of Public Works meeting on the Montpelier Drive Improvement project was low; only approximately 40 people participated. There are five options for speed reduction as shown on the maps displayed and in the handout. Comment cards were given to each attendee to collect comments and read the preference for the various options. There will be a follow up meeting in the Fall.
- Parking concerns on Montpelier drive near Route 197 seem to be resolved.
- The work van being parked near 9108 Montpelier Driver is being monitored.
- A community member suggested a three way stop sign on the corner of Montpelier and Cedarbrook and it was explained that this option has been requested in the past and the County has rejected it as not

authorized for speed control. As explained in the past by the County it is an access control device. The Montpelier Drive Project previously discussed is being designed to slow down traffic and discourage traffic from cutting through the neighborhood.

- A neighborhood wide parking restriction for residents only was brought up but the Traffic Committee feels that this is not a reasonable restriction on the Members.
- Reminder – Prince George’s School starts on 8/23 so be careful driving!
- WSSC is paving on Cedarbrook from Montpelier to Golden Pass. Please send comments to Trustee Mason if more information is needed. He has been told the paving will start next week.

OLD BUSINESS:

- The asphalt millings from the WSSC repaving, reportedly offered to MCA for free, will be used for maintenance of the walking trail around the common grounds.

NEW BUSINESS:

- The annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, September 25 at 2 pm at the pool. Any Board Member or Committee Chair-person should let Trustee Derrick know if they would like to make a presentation at the meeting. The Treasurer asked to be put on the agenda.

The next board meeting will be held on **Tuesday, September 13, 2016 at 7:00 PM** at Deerfield Recreation Center, preschool room. Trustee Mason made a motion to adjourn at 8:28 pm and was seconded by Trustee Douville. The motion passed unanimously.