

MONTPELIER COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.

Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

Deerfield Community Center

May 13, 2014

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

Trustees Absent with Cause: Patricia Douville.

Community Members Present: Michael Boddie, Mary Derrick and Mary Hughes.

President Bob Derrick called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM. There was a quorum to conduct business.

Secretary's Report: Tricia Douville

- The minutes of the April 2014 board meeting were reviewed. Trustee Keating made a motion to accept the minutes. Trustee Fazio seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
- A complaint has been filed against the MCA with the Maryland Commission for Civil Rights. MCA's insurer, Nationwide, providing legal representation.

Treasurer's Report: Lillian Fazio

- Trustee Fazio prepared the monthly statements which were distributed.
- Trustee Fazio reported 657 assessments have been paid, but there is about \$10,000 outstanding in "long term" delinquents.
- Our bank debited \$104 in fees from the MCA account, but this was an error and the money has been refunded.
- Trustee Fazio will not be able to attend the June meeting, but will prepare the financials for the meeting.

ACCC: Michael Boddie, Chairperson

- Mr. Boddie reported that complaints continue about cars due to a possible business activity at a group home. A letter will be sent to the owner of the group home to notify them of the complaint.
- A fine was reinstated effective April 1 for failing to complete repairs to a house that has been under construction for a number of years.
- Mr. Boddie reported that decaying leaves in the streets is still a problem. Neighbors can call the county – 311 – to report the problem.

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

- Trustee Gimbert reported that Ms. Hynes has watered the new plants. A neighborhood young lady is going to continue watering like she did last year for the our plants around the pool entrance.
- The floor tile is sealed in the bathhouses. Both shower rooms have been tilted as well.
- The basketball court gate is off its hinges and volunteers are needed to help fix it. [It has been fixed.]
- The pool company will fix the leaks and then turn the water on to the drinking fountains.
- Trustee Buehler received a request to use the baseball field a couple of times a week for T Ball. He explained that it is used on a first come-first served basis and a community member in good standing would have to be present.

Pool Committee: Mary Derrick, Chairperson

- Ms. Derrick reported that the pool will open on May 24. It was almost filled at the time of the meeting and everything looks good.

Social Committee: Patricia Douville, Chairperson

- The community yard sale is this Saturday, May 17. There will also be a Marlin Swim Team Car Wash at the pool on the same day.
- One resident asked about an extra large dumpster for community use to coincide with the yard sale as has been done on occasion in the past. As there is not enough time to advertise this to the community, (and the County provides Bulk Trash pick-up free of charge) the Board will look into paying for a dumpster at a future date.

Security Committee: Richard Mason, Chairperson

- Officer Jason Wilson could not attend the board meeting, because of a recent gang-related homicide at High Point High School.
- Police encourage residents to call 911 if they observe suspicious activities.

Traffic Committee: Richard Mason, Chairperson

- Trustee Mason reported that pot holes are being repaired, but there are more to do.
- He thanked M. Lehman, C. Elliker and G. Hynes for their help.
- Utility line work is being done at the Cedarbrook/Muirkirk intersection, but with so many underground lines in the area the work is behind schedule.
- It was reported that Eastgate Lane is in bad shape and Trustee Mason will talk to M. Lehman. Residents are encouraged to call the county (311) to report pot holes and other problems. Getting the money allocated to repave a street can take a long time, but it must be brought to the attention of the county to start the process by as many resident as often as possible in order to get our priority raised.

Tennis Committee: Lillian Fazio, Chairperson

- Trustee Fazio reported that the tennis courts need to be cleaned and she will talk to the contractor.
- There has been no response from our complaint about MidAtlantic to the Better Business Bureau.
- The pickleball courts will be striped after next weekend.
- A new roller dryer was ordered and has come in.

Welcoming Committee: Gloria Hynes, Chairperson

- Ms. Hynes has the list of newcomers to visit and will arrange visits. She has been busy with the Bradford Pear Tree, planters and landscaping duties over the last month.

OLD BUSINESS

- M. Lehman has been asked to get Montpelier on the priority list when the Bradford Tree Replacement Program is operating again; however, organizers must be mindful that some residents want to keep the trees and they have been told in the past, that they could do so.
- A packet of information is being prepared for upgrading the playground.
- The gazebo structure will be revisited for another design.
- Information on a lift at the pool will be presented at a future meeting.
- White coating needs are being surveyed to determine whether complete removal is required at this time.
- Money has been allocated for annuals and trees; however, it will be best to wait until Fall to plant new trees.
- Quotes for a fence around the dumpster will be presented at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

- New neighbors at 8708 Oxbwell were welcomed.
- Trustee Buehler announced that Divisional Swim Meets will be held at Montpelier in July.
- Trustee Mason announced that the county police will again assist at the September 6 5K Race/Walk. He also invited Officer Wilson to attend the Memorial Day Potluck.
- The aging pool cover was discussed but a new one is \$10,000 to 15,000.

The next board meeting will be held on **Tuesday, June 10, 2014 at 7:00 PM** at Deerfield Recreation Center, preschool room. The motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 7:53 pm. The motion passed unanimously.