

MONTPELIER COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.

Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

Deerfield Community Center

September 13, 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: Loureatha Gibson, Alvin Gibson, Matt Collman, Paula Rojas, Daryl Ann Doane, Mary Derrick and Michelle Gimbert.

President Bob Derrick called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM. There was a quorum to conduct business.

Secretary's Report: Tricia Douville

- The minutes of the August 2016 board meeting were reviewed. Trustee Keating made a motion to accept the minutes as amended. Trustee Fazio seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Lillian Fazio

- Trustee Fazio prepared the monthly statements, which were distributed.
- A few full and partial assessments have been received since the last meeting. The current outstanding debt for the assessments past and current years is \$13,896. A final notice has been sent out and our Attorney will begin litigation against those who haven't paid for the past year with the exception of several homeowners that are making installment payments.
- The Verizon telephone bill has been reduced from \$427.27 to \$177.47 due to the extended period of no service.
- Property taxes have been paid.
- The 5K Run, Walk and Kids Run made \$927.10 and cost \$1,546.93 so the event cost the Association \$923.31.

ACC Committee: Jack Keating, Chairperson

- There have been several requests for approval for sheds and fences.

Communications Committee: Sean Beaver, Chairperson: Chairperson Beaver was unable to make the meeting.

Facilities Committee: Paul Buehler and Brad Gimbert

- The electrician should be available soon to set up cameras and fix lighting on the common grounds.

Tennis Report: Lillian Fazio

- Trustee Fazio and M. Derrick received four bids for pressure washing the tennis courts to clean them of their mold. The two higher bids came from companies (Mid Atlantic Asphalt & See Dirt Run) that would not guarantee that the paint would not come off the courts, the third company (Superior Pressure Washing) didn't have it in writing but said they have experience with tennis courts and the paint would not come off. The fourth bid (Under Pressure Washing) said they would use low pressure and it wouldn't damage the paint. Superior Pressure Washing said they have a permit to hook up to the fire hydrant so there will be no additional water costs. Trustee Keating called the county and checked references on these companies. Trustee Keating recommended Superior Pressure Washing because they have experience with tennis courts, they use fungicide and algacide, and they have liability insurance and can save us costs by using the water from the fire hydrants. Trustee Keating made a motion that we contract Superior Pressure Washing to clean our tennis courts. Trustee Mason seconded the motion. The motion passed with Trustee Buehler abstaining from the vote. Superior Pressure Washing will need to add "MCA" in the left bottom box of their Certificate of Insurance. Trustee Fazio will contact them and have this done and sign the contract.

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.
- We will consider getting a quote to have the pool open for an additional week next year but weather is the big unknown.
- The cover will be put on the pool after Dog Day.
- The water will be left on until after the Fall Festival.

Security Committee: Richard Mason, Chairperson

- There was a B&E on the 8800 block of Churuchfield on Monday, 8/22/16 sometime between noon and 4 pm. The Front door was broken in. No other information was available.
- There was a theft from an open garage in the 8700 block of Oxwell on 9/07/16 at 7am. A Scooter, bike and steamer were taken from the garage. Remind everyone to keep garage doors closed.

- There is a new P.G. County Police District VI Beltsville Commander Major Bryan Addis. Capt. David Parker continues as Asst. Commander.
- A plaque was presented to Sgt. Kenneth Hibbert of District VI COPS unit for his leadership and commitment to residential, police and Explorers.
- Postal Inspector made a presentation at the COPS Coffee.
- Walk with Police will usually be on Thursdays at 8 am. Look for the announcement. The walk can't happen every week but advertised in Yahoo List Serve and Next Door social media.
- Security Cmty is considering a meeting (possibly at the pool) later in September or October to have Police describe how the man being charged for B&Es was captured and to discuss home security.
- Security Cmty is considering setting up a Self Defense forum and would need \$50 for a 2 hour rental for a room to hold this class.
- There has been an increase in scam phone calls and emails. The community members are sharing on social media.

Traffic Committee: Richard Mason, Chairperson

- P.G. County schools are now open. Yahoo List Serve and Next Door social media is being used to reminding drivers to be aware of students and to drive accordingly.
- Messages in social media are requesting specific information about speeding buses and vehicles passing stopped buses illegally. We are working with the police on this matter.
- WSSC was asked to pave all of Cedarbrook Lane.
- A meeting with P.G. County Reps will be held to discuss and present our guidelines for Bradford Pear replacement program and to replace the dead trees on the Pepco right of way.

Social Committee: Patricia Douville, Chairperson

- The 5K Annual Run, Walk and Kids Run final ledger sheet is complete except for a few refunds still due in.
 - Trustee Buehler suggested as we plan social events like this one where we include people outside of the community and we are losing money that more planning needs to go into it to figure out how to at least break even. It was suggested that maybe we don't need to use the professional timing or maybe find a way to increase participation. Trustee Douville said she would discuss this with the planning team for next year.
- The Adult Pool Party was a success. Many community members that don't normally come to the pool attended.
 - It was suggested that maybe the proceeds from Pool Guest passes could be put toward the Social Committee Budget next year to defray some of the cost. Due to the community's feedback a suggestion was made to hold more events next summer. The Social Committee will attempt to add more events to the summer calendar.
 - Trustee Buehler made a motion that the \$87.50 made in pool passes the night of the Adult Pool Party be donated to the Swim Team. Trustee Keating seconded the motion and it was passes with Trustee Fazio opposing the motion.
- The Fall Festival will be held on 10/22/16 at the Common Grounds.

OLD BUSINESS:

- The nature trails around the common grounds will use the free millings from WSSC as they prepare to repave Cedarbrook Ln.
- The aging Bradford Pears are a liability for the County and they will eventually be coming through to remove them. The County said that residents are to be notified before the trees start coming down.
- A community member was in attendance to discuss some ongoing problems she has been having. The discussion started at approximately 8:15 pm and continued until the Deerfield Run Community Center management came in to tell us they had to close at 9:00 pm. Trustee Derrick agreed the Association would strive to be more accurate when drafting documents. He also responded to her request for her application be acted upon, by stating that her request to the ACCC will be discussed at their next meeting (6 Oct 2016) and she will be informed of their decision in a letter.

NEW BUSINESS:

- The annual meeting will be held on Sunday, September 25 at 2:00 pm at the pool. Trustee Mason will be unable to attend but will pass along information for Trustee Derrick to present.
- Community Member M. Collman was in attendance and wanted to update the Board on his Eagle Scout Project. The installation of the benches and tables at the playground has been completed. The plaque for the table is being created now and will be installed when it comes in. He thanked the Board for their support on this project. He said that the old benches were placed around the trail and cemented in and possibly new wood will be put on them.

The next board meeting will be held on **Tuesday, October 11, 2016 at 7:00 PM** at Deerfield Run Community Center, preschool room. Trustee Sorrentino made a motion to adjourn at 9:06 pm and was seconded by Trustee Douville. The motion passed unanimously.