

# MONTPELIER COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.

## Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

Deerfield Community Center

July 11, 2017

**Trustees in Attendance:** Bob Derrick, Jack Keating, Brad Gimbert, Richard Mason, Paul Buehler, Lillian Fazio, Tim Jacobs & Tricia Douville

**Trustees Absence:** Jean Sorrentino

**Community Members Present:** Sean Beaver, Vermel Taylor and Michelle Gimbert.

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 June 2017 board meeting were reviewed. Trustee Keating made a motion to accept the minutes as is and Trustee Mason seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

### **Treasurer's Report: Lillian Fazio**

- Trustee Fazio prepared the monthly statements, which were distributed. There were a few inquiries by Trustee Keating.
- Trustee Derrick and Trustee Fazio are working on a detailed information sheet for the Trustees regarding all the delinquent homeowners, what they owe for when and what the attorney is doing for each of them.

### **ACC Committee: Jack Keating, Chairperson**

- ACCC held a meeting on 07/06/17. There were a few issues, a 6-foot fence was erected without prior approval, and a few other violations were brought to the committee. All in all things are in good shape in the community.

### **Communications Committee: Sean Beaver, Chairperson**

- The Trustee Nomination Form will go out with the Newsletter and will be posted on Nextdoor as well as on the website.
- The IP address for the pool is being worked on.
- Trustee Buehler expressed concern that we need support with the Security Cameras. It needs to be researched to find out what we can do for service and a maintenance contract. Trustee Keating will check into this.

### **Facilities Committee: Paul Buehler and Brad Gimbert, Co-Chairmen**

- Trustee Keating has someone coming out to look at the leak by the tennis courts and the water fountain itself.
- Trustee Keating is not satisfied with the progress of the softball field in field weed removal. Trustee Gimbert will discuss this with M&J to see if they can make things better.

### **Tennis Report: Lillian Fazio, Chairperson**

- Mid Atlantic has not yet received a down payment so they haven't started yet. The check sent, evidently never received, was cancelled and reissued. The work is scheduled to begin on July 17 and may take a couple of weeks depending on weather. Signs will be posted at the courts and the pool letting the community know of the closure.

### **Pool Committee: Mary Derrick, Chairperson - absent**

- Lighthouse needs another month to get us a quote for the pool cover. The quote from the company we previously purchased a pool cover is for \$15,000. We are hoping that Lighthouse can do better.

### **Welcoming Committee: Vermel Taylor & Tricia Douville**

- Community member Vermel Taylor was in attendance and is looking to resume working with the Welcoming Committee.
- An ad will be placed in the newsletter looking for volunteers to join the Welcoming Committee.

### **Security Committee: Richard Mason, Chairperson**

- **Crimes:** No Crimes in the community since last Board Meeting on 6/13/17. An attempted break-in at 8900 block of Orwood Lane on 7/8/17. Police were called. There was no damage and nothing was stolen. Reported via 911.
- **P.G. Police:** Walk with the Police will be Thursday, July 13, 2017 at 6 pm. Officer Velasquez continues to check during late afternoon for speeders and tractor-trailers on Cedarbrook Lane and Montpelier Drive.
- **Dog Swim:** Officer Velasquez has been invited to the Dog Swim to hand out information to dog walkers regarding reporting suspicious activity and to be aware as you walk through the neighborhood.
- **Self Defense Course:** The Security Committee, led by Brindisi, is preparing a self-defense course for residents this Fall. There will be a presentation from an expert who will then provide practical application.

- **Vacant Houses:** The Security Committee is working with the ACCC to develop a current list of vacant houses. This list will be sent to our community police officer so patrols can periodically check on these houses.
- **Presentation on Illegal Drug:** P.G. Citizens Advisory Council sponsored a presentation on the dangers of illegal drugs. Major emphasis on synthetic drugs that are 100 times more powerful than heroin. The report is being prepared for distribution to all residents.

**Traffic Committee: Richard Mason, Chairperson**

- **Parking Ordinances:** P.G. County Police issued hand written parking tickets when they see infractions. Revenue Authority (aka Parking Enforcement) uses hand held machines with printed parking tickets. There appears to be an increased emphasis on parking enforcement in South Laurel in South Laurel and Montpelier. Parking facing the wrong direction is being ticketed. Ordinance are listed on the county website.
- **WSSC Repaving Montpelier Drive:** Jeff Landry, Project Manager for WSSC had a meeting this week with PGCDPW&T regarding striping requirements. Milling and repaving Montpelier Drive from Route 197 to Cedarbrook Lane will start before the end of the year.
- **BG&E Transformer Rewiring:** This project is scheduled for completion in July 2017.
- **Street Lights:** We are waiting for an MCA crafted survey to all residents before the Board decides if we should apply for streetlights. County budget limitations dictate that if the Community petitions for street lights we would get only a few areas lit each year.
- **Pot Holes:** Mark Middlebusher is identifying and submitting their locations to PGCDPW&T for repair.
- **Bradford Pear Trees:** Ossana Wolff from Neighborhood Design is under contract to P.G County to remove and replace aged and diseased trees. Tree removal, for the ones marked with white paint, is scheduled to start in August or September 2017 with plantings in December. This will include planting of trees on Pepco right of way on Mount Pleasant and Cedarbrook. The remainder of the community will have trees removed in the Fall of 2019.
- **Muirkirk/Odell/Cedarbrook Intersection Update:** Elizabeth McKinney, Construction Manager for the project, says the work is on schedule. Bio-swale ditch drainage will be installed on each side of Muirkirk with pipes under Muirkirk to provide drainage. The project should take one year to complete making the completion date in the Spring of 2018.

**Social Committee: Patricia Douville, Chairperson**

- The 4<sup>th</sup> of July Potluck was a success. There were about 175 attendees.
- The Labor Day Pot Luck is September 2<sup>nd</sup> in the afternoon while the Montpelier 5K Walk/Run is in the morning.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- There was discussion about the brick/paver fundraiser for the swim team. Trustee Buehler made a motion to have the bricks installed in the paver walkway outside the entrance of the pool. He said he had a person quote \$200 to install up to 100 pavers. The motion was seconded by Trustee Jacobs and the motion passed unanimously.
  - Those purchasing the bricks can be current or former members of the swim team, current or former Board Members or others involved in community activities.
  - The bricks can have three lines up to 16 characters each. If you choose the Marlin image that will take up one line.
- The Marlin Alumni Event will be held on Saturday, August 12, 2017.
  - The Alumni relays will be held at 9 am. Lighthouse will have guards on duty.
  - At noon the pool opens as usual for Community Members.
  - The evening party will begin at 7 pm and go until 10:30 pm.
  - Those invited are all MCA current residents, all current Marlins and families and all past Marlins and families.
  - There will be an armband method of who can drink and who cannot. There will be a bouncer at the gate to check ids and hand out the armbands.
  - The Social Budget is allotting \$1000 for this event. This will include our DJ, a 'virgin' smoothie bar and enough to secure the food truck is enough food isn't purchased. Also lighting and accents at the pool, armbands and enough to pay the bouncer.
  - Party rafts for the pool would need to be approved by Lighthouse.
- Trustee Buehler made a motion to add the Montpelier Community 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party to the Marlin Alumni Party and commit to the above as proposed. Trustee Douville seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The next board meeting will be held on **Tuesday, August 8, 2017 at 7:00 PM** at Deerfield Run Community Center, preschool room. Trustee Douville made a motion to adjourn at 8:41pm and was seconded by Trustee Mason. The motion passed unanimously.