

Carderock Springs Citizens' Association
March 17, 2014 CSCA Minutes CSCA Board Meeting

Present: Barbara Ames, Bill Moore, Jack Orrick, Phil Rider, Donna Schwartz, Bob Stocker, Gunnar Tomasson

Opening and Comments –

Phil Rider called the meeting to order.

Discussion –

1) Secretary's Report –

Gunnar Tomasson presented the February Meeting minutes for review. Gunnar identified and discussed revisions made to the original minutes based on comments received. The revisions include more information and clarification on Welcome Committee Chairperson search recommendations. Following discussion, the minutes were approved as presented.

Gunnar Tomasson will consider February Meeting minutes, as revised and presented, final.

2) Treasurer's Report –

Bob Stocker provided the Treasurer's Report, beginning with the update that 40% of the budgeted dues total has been received. The total amount to date is \$5,500. He also said that only two of the dues notices were returned as incorrect address for addressee. Based on previous years, that is a pretty good delivery rate.

Bob read comments written on two of the dues forms received. The first comment was from a long time resident who had not joined the CSCA for many years. Considering the work that the CSCA has been doing and the efforts being made, the resident was motivated to join this year. The second comment included a request for the CSCA Board to investigate repair Lilly Stone Dr. between Edenwood Ct. and Seven Locks Rd.

The Treasurer's Report was approved without changes.

Recommendation made to submit Lilly Stone Dr. roadwork request to county quickly; likely to be much work upcoming to repair potholes resulting from the winter weather.

3) Hosting of Historic District Commissions Event -

The Maryland Association of Historic District Commissions (MAHDC) – the group that organized the MCM Bus Tour – asked whether CSCA would be interested and willing to host a gathering sometime during the month of May. MAHDC would like to conduct a two-hour program which would include a ½ hour meet and greet reception sponsored by the host. Phil has replied with questions and additional details, including cost responsibility. Phil will share the answers to his question with the Board.

Phil to share with the Board the MAHDC response to his questions

4) Electrical Issues in Carderock –

Recent emails on CS Chat have prompted questions about the electrical system within the neighborhood. The most recent was a house experiencing power outage in a third of the house. Two persons have volunteered to continue working this issue. With this being an ongoing concern, it might be time to put a committee together to drive this to resolution.

Bill Moore would like to see the information compiled on related activity and issues. Jack Orrick mentioned that Susan Eastman has been compiling information in support of her push on Pepco to address electrical concerns.

Approved – CSCA Board will establish a Committee to support and track the electrical issues within the neighborhood.

5) CSCA Board Membership –

Board membership and Annual Meeting – Bob Stocker will step down from the CSCA Treasurer position; Gunnar Tomasson will step down from the CSCA Secretary position. The remaining Board members plan to return.

Phil noted that the At-large positions are easier to fill, proposing that a current At-large member consider the Treasurer or Secretary position. Donna Schwartz volunteered to take over the Secretary position. Jack Orrick has a candidate in mind for the Treasurer position; he will check with that person for availability and interest.

Ryan Robbins will be moving out of the area soon, creating a vacancy on the ARC. A search will have to be conducted for a new ARC member to replace Ryan.

Donna Schwartz volunteered to take over the CSCA Secretary position for the coming year.

The ARC will have a vacancy with Ryan Robbins moving out of the neighborhood.

6) CSCA Annual Meeting –

When will it be scheduled? The meeting is usually scheduled for a Sunday evening. Accounting for Mother's Day and Easter, April 27th and May 4th were identified as possibilities. The dates will remain open until confirmation can be made for an available speaker and that person's schedule constraints. Phil will check for a person to address neighborhood watch programs. Bill Moore will research some of the identified issues concerning neighborhood security cameras.

Gunnar Tomasson will provide a summary of the CSCA year and accomplishments.

Bob Stocker will provide an annual Treasurer's report.

Phil Rider to check for a person to address neighborhood watch programs.

Bill Moore will research some of the identified issues concerning neighborhood security cameras.

7) Other Issues –

Diane Karlik requested some items for Board discussion. Those items included the upcoming environmental discussion and CSCA membership status.

Diane is coordinating an environmental event/discussion next Monday evening, March 24th. She has asked for assistance with set-up from the Board. Mary Lou and Phil confirmed that they would be there to assist as needed.

The topic of CSCA membership status in local community organizations will be slated for Board discussion. Organizations identified for consideration is the Montgomery County Civic Federation, Bethesda Citizens Group, and the Bethesda/Chevy Chase Regional Services Center.

Meeting adjourned