

Carderock Springs Citizens' Association
June 16, 2009 Minutes CSCA Board Meeting

Present: Barbara Ames, Tony DeMarinis, Tom Hilton, Greg Holloway, Georgia Petsche, and Gunnar Tomasson

Greg Holloway called the meeting to order.

The next item discussed was the question of what should the Board work to accomplish in the coming year. Greg proposed three basic goals for discussion, all of which were agreed upon by the Board:

1) Board Meeting schedule for the next 3 months –

The Board members discussed the meeting schedule for the summer months. During the May CSCA Board meeting, the Board agreed to continue meeting monthly through the summer months. The discussion on the schedule resulted in agreement in teleconference meetings with the understanding the vacation plans would likely impact attendance. The next public meeting will be during the month of September.

2) Update and discussion regarding Fenway Road Traffic –

Recent local news reports looked at the challenges communities had implementing traffic control. Several members had seen the reports and there was some discussion on the parallels to the Fenway Road traffic dialogue. Based on discussion, the consensus was to seek input first from Fenway Road residents before input from the broader community.

Tony DeMarinis will lead effort to seek input on traffic concerns and options from Fenway Road residents. Tony will work with Jennifer Hughes to develop options list. A subsequent effort may, depending on proposed path forward, involve seeking community-wide input.

3) Update on Stone Trail –

Based on the current condition and progress on the Stone Trail home renovation, the Architectural Review Committee is in agreement with the plans. It is now in the hands of the home owners to execute the plans as stated.

4) Treasurer's report –

Tom Hilton, CSCA Treasurer, provided the Board with his report. He is working with an accountant on several key issues, including: a) File tax return. This action is currently past due. A \$200 penalty will be incurred for failure to file on time; b) Re-apply for CSCA Director's insurance. As a result of the late tax return, the Director's insurance has lapsed. This will be corrected concurrent with the tax filing; and c) Tom is preparing to mail CSCA dues notices. He is hoping to complete this within two weeks with mid-July being the latest the mailings will go out.

5) Discussion regarding House Tour and Community greeting for new household –

Greg noted that the organizer and host of the House Tour, Mary Lou Shannon, was stepping down after many years of successful effort. Mary Lou's efforts were noted by the Board in addition to her efforts to the community in general such as Carderock Spring's recognition by the National Register for Historic Places.

The Board discussed continuing the House Tour, in the past occurring around the third week of September, and who might organize. One suggested method to get the message out to the community would be the newsletter. Based on discussion by the Board, it was not clear if responsibility for the newsletter had been officially handed off to someone. Greg will determine if this has occurred and would like to try to get a newsletter out on a quarterly basis.

Greg Holloway will determine who currently has responsibility for the newsletter.

An add-on topic of discussion was the upkeep and maintenance of the neighborhood entry-ways. The two options identified were to organize community volunteers or hire a company to provide annual or semi-annual maintenance. Barbara volunteered to look examine this and develop a budget.

Barbara Ames to coordinate clean-up of community entry-ways and develop a budget.

Meeting Adjourned.