

Carderock Springs Citizens' Association
19May2014 CSCA Minutes CSCA Board Meeting

Present: Barbara Ames, Anne Carlson, Rob Gorman, Bill Moore, Larry Ondrejko, Jack Orrick, Phil Rider, Donna Schwartz

Opening and Comments –

Phil Rider called the meeting to order. Introductions were made.

1) Secretary's Report –

Donna Schwartz presented the April Meeting minutes from Gunnar Tomasson for review. Donna noted that Gunnar had incorporated changes that were received on the draft distributed for review. Following discussion, the minutes were approved as presented.

Donna Schwartz will consider March Meeting minutes final.

2) Treasurer's Report –

Rob Gorman presented the Treasurer's Report prepared by Bob Stocker. Thirty two new members joined the CSCA in April/May, bringing the total for participation to ~ 90%. Rob will meet with Bob on 20May2014 to discuss information regarding financial tracking and transfer of authority of bank accounts. Rob will begin to pick up mail at the Cabin John post office. The use of the Access database as the financial tracking tool was discussed. If needed, Rob will purchase Access software and be reimbursed by the Board.

The Treasurer's Report was approved without changes.

3) Other Topics -

- Maryland Association of Historic District Commissions (MAHDC) Social Event was held at the CSCA clubhouse on 09May2014. Mary Lou Shannon led a walking tour of the neighboring homes to the clubhouse. The poster boards from the 50th anniversary party were on display during the event. There were more than 20 participants including several commissioners from surrounding Maryland counties and MAHDC board members.
- The enforcement of covenants was discussed, including cars parking on the street and the removal of trees. The board encourages neighbors to talk to each other to work out parking on other issues. It was also suggested that current home owners can educate "new" neighbors on the covenants and the importance of following them to ensure Carderock Springs is the best neighborhood possible and maintains its unique surroundings.

- Future meeting dates were discussed. Larry mentioned that the clubhouse is booked for another activity on the third Monday of October, November, and December. Board members volunteered their homes for the meetings during these months, with the understanding that an alternative may be needed to accommodate larger gatherings. All meetings are to be held at 7 pm.
 - June 16 at clubhouse
 - July – no meeting, summer hiatus
 - August 18 at clubhouse
 - September 15 at clubhouse
 - October 20 (at Anne Carlson’s house)
 - November 17 (at Donna Schwartz’s house)
 - December 15 (at Phil Rider’s house)
- Phil mentioned that he would like to create an agenda prior to each meeting. He will request input on agenda items via e mail from board members prior to each meeting (second Monday of the month), then create, and post the agenda on the chat prior to the board meeting (Thursday or Friday prior to the meeting).
- The board discussed scope of the safety and security committee. The board noted that the CS-chat can help identify issues regarding security in the neighborhood. Several board members reiterated that Carderock Springs is not a high crime area and we all want to live in a safe place. The board will listen to and be sensitive of concerns regarding security in Carderock Springs. After the Annual Meeting, a few residents volunteered to be on/lead the Safety and Security Committee. Phil will communicate to them the discussions from the board.
- Sue Eastman communicated to Phil that ~200 homes are on same the electric feed as the feed that supplied several homes that experienced fires.

4) Action Items -

Anne to speak with Georgia Petsche, Beautification Committee, about cleanup options for a stretch of Fenway Road.

Donna to prepare article on MAHDC Social Event for the Community Newsletter.

Donna to prepare meeting minutes for CSCA Annual Meeting.

Jack to contact the Montgomery County Civic Association to learn more about the organization and invite them to meet with CSCA board as appropriate.

Larry to reserve clubhouse for the third Monday of each month in 2015 for CSCA Meetings.

Phil to speak with volunteers for the Safety and Security Committee and share board discussion with them.

Phil to request input on agenda and post agenda prior to next CSCA Board Meeting (June 16).

Rob to meet with Bob, purchase Access software, if needed.

Meeting adjourned.