

Carderock Springs Citizens' Association
November 19, 2012 Minutes CSCA Board Meeting

Present: Margit Meissner, Larry Ondrejko, Jack Orrick, Phil Rider, Mary Lou Shannon, Bob Stocker, Joe Tobin, Gunnar Tomasson

Opening and Comments –

Phil Rider called the meeting to order.

Discussion –

1) Secretary's Report –

Gunnar Tomasson presented the October Meeting minutes for review. Gunnar noted that he had updated the CSCA website to include recently approved CSCA minutes and that the online ARC membership had been updated to reflect recent changes. Following discussion, the minutes were approved as presented.

Gunnar Tomasson to consider October Meeting minutes final.

2) Treasurer's Report –

Bob Stocker provided an overview of the monthly Treasurer's report. A few dues payments were received following the CSCA Fall meeting. The Report reflects 97% of budgeted revenues have been realized with approximately 70% of households participating as CSCA members. Following discussion, the report was approved as presented.

The Treasurer's Report was approved.

3) Community Information and Updates –

Phil Rider recognized what an outstanding job Diane Karlik, the Environmental Committee Chairperson, has done keeping the community informed on environmental matters. Similarly, Phil recognized the efforts Terese Kellerman continues to make keeping the community informed as new neighbors move to the community.

4) Carderock Emergency Team –

Phil talked about the ad hoc "Emergency Team" that has been outlined and coordinated largely on the CS Chat. This effort, which concerns the community and its members, includes emergency contact lists, volunteers and has proposed the Club be used as a stand-by emergency shelter.

Phil felt that the effort falls most appropriately under the CSCA umbrella and that the Board should consider its possible role. Larry Ondrejko said that the Carderock Springs Swim Club (CSSC) Board agrees and noted several points that posed hurdles for the Club's involvement: the Club does not have the funding available and would be difficult to set aside funds for the community emergency shelter effort, notably since 50% of the membership resides outside the community; the Club would need to develop agreements and address insurance issues which

would be difficult; and lastly, the amount of glass and other Clubhouse infrastructure elements do not meet appropriate safe emergency shelter guidelines.

Larry mentioned that the CSSC Annual Meeting is scheduled for next Tuesday, November 27th and that the emergency shelter topic will be discussed.

Phil Rider will contact Terese, who has been leading this effort, to discuss emergency planning, contacts, etc.

5) Tree Removal Guidelines –

Mary Lou brought up the question of easing the Tree Removal Guidelines to allow for the removal of trees close to the house. She suggested talking to neighbors before any tree removal and planting new trees as replacements.

Phil agreed that this could be discussed but that Lisa Wilcox Deyo, in her role as CSCA Tree Advisor, should be present during discussions.

Gunnar suggested that any major modifications to the tree guidelines should be presented for community comment and vote. Jack Orrick agreed that community input should be sought prior to changes.

Phil suggested that this topic be put on the agenda for next month's meeting. Gunnar agreed with the idea and that Lisa should be present to address any concerns she has. Mary Lou thought that perhaps neighboring communities had revised their tree guidelines and could serve as input.

Phil Rider will add Tree Removal Guidelines to the December CSCA Board Meeting Agenda and ensure Lisa is aware of topic.

6) CSCA Meetings and Events –

Mary Lou proposed assembling a panel of original residents and representatives from the Stone family during an upcoming meeting/event. She noted that there was lots of momentum and interest in the community largely as a result of the 50th Anniversary. Phil agreed that the idea could be considered but noted that Joe Tobin's committee is coordinating those types of ideas.

Mary Lou suggested putting together a picture book to include original Carderock photos, 50th Anniversary, etc. Jack thought that including some of the history along with the photos would be interesting.

Joe Tobin is coordinating a Newcomer's Reception Party for January. He will post this on CS Chat and ask for volunteers to assist with the planning effort.

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Joe Tobin will submit article to Noelle for CSCA Newsletter regarding Event Committee and the Newcomer's Reception Party planned for January.

7) Community Newsletter –

Jack will contact Judith Welles, author of the book “Lilly Stone”, regarding her interest in contributing articles to the newsletter. She currently contributes articles to the Cabin John newsletter and many of the articles may also be of interest to Carderock residents.

Jack Orrick will contact Judith Welles regarding contributing articles to the CSCA Newsletter.

8) Community Directory –

A Directory update form will be included with the distribution of an upcoming CSCA Newsletter. Any forms not returned will default to the previous Directory’s entry.

Mary Lou maintains a list of new people moving to the community. Joe mentioned that he would like a copy of the list as he plans for the Newcomer’s Reception Party for January.

Mary Lou Shannon will provide copy of master list of new residents to Joe.

Bob Stocker will provide Directory form to Noelle to be included with Newsletter

Meeting adjourned