

**MCLEAN HAMLET CITIZENS, INC.**  
**MARCH 6, 2006**  
**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**PRESENT:** Charlotte Basset Zimmerman, Rinaldo Campana, Doug Colvard, Dick Coogan, Jane Edmondson, Jack Kalish, Jane Kalish, Benjamin Leung, Hugh Neighbour, Scott Schlegel, and Paul Wieland.

**MINUTES:**

1. February minutes were approved, as modified.
2. Jane will distribute them to the Board.

**TREASURER'S REPORT-BEN LEUNG**

1. Approved as distributed.
2. Bulk mail unit has relocated to Spring Hill post office.
3. Ben will check to see if the Hamlet check to Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Associations has been cashed.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Falstaff Park:** Fairfax County proved the \$2,000 Massenbrook grant; Hamlet will match the funding. Funds will be used for landscaping; Kim Saxenian is coordinating. Saxenian and Grimes will meet with the Park Authority personnel on March 7<sup>th</sup> to review a number of issues (signage, benches, etc.)

**3-Way Stop Sign:** Paul will check on the status of the installation of the 3-way sign and curb painting.

**Possible New Bus Stop and Change to Metro Bus Route 24:** Paul and Wade will attend a meeting on March 10 with Fairfax County transportation officials to discuss making life easier for bus riders in our area.

**Landscaping Issue at East Entrance at Falstaff & Lewinsville Roads:** Homeowner has agreed to remove trees between the entrance wall and his driveway.

**Situation at 1319 Macbeth:** Plan to solve runoff problem has been approved, finally. Paul will check with the owner on the status of the work.

**Contractor List:** The Board decided not to make copies for the annual meeting. Joe Parisi hasn't responded to Paul's e-mail asking if he would be willing to continue managing the contractor list. Based on recent experience, it is assumed that he will continue.

**Newsletter Articles and General Meeting:** Send your newsletter articles to Paul and Joe no later than March 15th. Supervisor DuBois has agreed to speak at the annual meeting. Mr. Gordon, President of the Fairfax County Economic Development Authority, may also provide a presentation.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Home Invasions-Dick Coogan**

1. House across from Hamlet: The burglar is in jail. It is possible that some of the property recovered in the home of the thief might belong to the folks on Oberon Way who were burglarized last summer. Dick has put them in touch with the police officer handling this case.
2. Robbery in Wilshyre: One of the two perps has been identified. Both were Asians targeting an Asian household.

### **Yard Sale Coordinator**

1. Joan McCammon, who has coordinated the yard sales for a number of years, has cried "uncle."
2. Charlotte and Jack will work on a Hamnet message stating that unless a new coordinator can be found, the annual yard sale will be cancelled.

### **Lear/Snow Meadow Water Runoff-Rinaldo Campana**

1. Rinaldo has discussed this situation with Rosemary Ryan of Supervisor DuBois' office. She will get back to him.
2. VDOT has recently surveyed the area, in anticipation of the hot lanes.
3. Rinaldo also described his process for challenging successfully his property tax assessments.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Landscaping-Jane Kalish**

1. Cash flow will permit another \$4,000 in expenses.
2. Jane would like to create an English garden including annuals such as peonies in the island at the Falstaff entrance. Board agreed.
3. Jane inquired whether anything could be done about the two homeowners whose land backs up to Lewinsville Road. The area between the wall and fence needs constant maintenance (annual expenditure to Board around \$400). It is not clear whether this land belongs to the homeowners. Jane and Charlotte will investigate.

### **Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Associations-Scott Schlegel**

1. Supervisor Penny Gross, Mason District, spoke about the Chesapeake Bay Task Force, created to find innovative ways to clean up the Bay by 2010. Task Force has issued its report entitled, *Saving A National Treasure*. Costs range from \$15-28 billion.
2. Rinaldo recommended that we all read the book, *Collapse*, about the destruction of the environment.

### **Lewinsville Coalition-- Jane Edmondson**

1. Next meeting is March 7<sup>th</sup>.

2. Paul, Wade, and Jane will meet with various officials of West\*Group on March 7<sup>th</sup>. West\*Group asked for the meeting to present its ideas for redesigning Tysons Corner.
3. One concern for the Hamlet is the redevelopment of the BDM site close to the Hamlet. The County Comprehensive Plan would allow a building of 300 feet.

**Transportation, Trails & Tysons Corner Study Group- Wade Smith:** Wade was unable to attend the meeting. He had nothing to report through Paul.

**Architectural Control Committee- Paul and Charlotte**

1. Paul reported all was pretty quiet.
2. Jane gave the Ariel Way update: dishwasher at the side of one of the homes has been discarded. At another home, the dumpster that has occupied part of the cul-de-sac since Sept. 2004 is gone for good, it is hoped.

**Web Site-Linda Somogyi:** No report as Linda was not able to attend the meeting.

**Membership- Betty Grimes:** No report as Betty was unable to attend the meeting.

**Safety-Dick Coogan:** Dick had nothing to add to the reports he provided to the Board earlier.

**McLean Citizens Association-Paul Wieland**

1. The Nominating Committee is working on the new slate of officers. Paul will be nominated to represent the Hamlet for another term, and Wade will continue as an at-large member.
2. The MCA Board passed two resolutions pertaining to land use projects. At the April meeting, the Board will address a resolution regarding completion of a trail segment by Old Dominion Road heading toward the Potomac. Some of the neighbors have raised red flags about the trail. MCA is working on the issue.

**NEXT MEETING: APRIL 20<sup>TH</sup> AT SPRING HILL SCHOOL CAFETERIA. THE BOARD WILL MEET AT 6:30 pm. GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING WILL FOLLOW AT 7:30 pm.**

Respectfully submitted

Jane Edmondson, Acting Secretary