

McLean Hamlet Community Association

FINAL Minutes from the Board of Directors Meeting

December 6, 2010

Board Members Present: Roxanne Axtell, Pat Bowman, Doug Colvard, Dick Coogan, Eric McGinley, John Mealey, Paul Wieland, and Jan Wendt

Officers, Directors and voting Chairs Absent: Charlotte Basset-Zimmerman, Betty Grimes, Maggie Law, Rick Law, Wayne Tate, and Ralph Ward

Non-Board Resident Present: Scott Hall

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm on the Spring Hill ES library.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

1. Minutes for November 2010: The November Minutes were accepted with clarifications about the number of Hamlet residents that do not rely on email.
2. Treasurer's Report: The expenditures for November were modest, primarily related to Picnic expenses and printing the Directory.
3. Revision of Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws: Paul Wieland is overseeing proposed revisions and will provide an update at a later meeting.

MOTIONS AND VOTING

4. Entrance Sign Lettering: Roxanne Axtell found a product that created a reflective finish when sprayed on. Black and white were eliminated as colors under consideration for refurbishing. There was still interest in seeing how gold and cream looked before voting.

COMMITTEE ACTIVITY

5. Architectural: No report.
6. Connections: Nothing to report.
7. Homeowners Counsel: Several residents responded positively about Ralph Ward's communication about cold weather preparations.

Dick Coogan will attend an upcoming meeting organized by Fairfax County to discuss snow removal plans this winter.

8. Membership: Betty Grimes reported that 74% of residents have paid dues thus far.

9. Gazebo Update: The Park Authority is reviewing finalized drawings. An “entry permit” is being applied for to enable MHCA subcontractors to work in Park property. A HamNet was sent out soliciting donations. Jan Wendt has also submitted a grant to the McLean Citizens Foundation for \$5,000.
10. Hamlet Park Grass Cutting: John Mealey indicated that MHCA will “adopt” the Hamlet Park . The Park Authority will begin bimonthly grass cutting in April. John is soliciting 7-8 bids to provide mowing services for the alternate months.
11. Website: The website is up to date in all name changes. Please advise Pat of any new changes or corrections that are needed.
12. Safety: Dick Coogan received an email from someone on Falstaff about a snake on their property. It remains unknown what kind of snake it was, although most snakes that are seen in the Hamlet are beneficial. A product called Snake-A-Way was mentioned to repel repeat occurrences.
13. Complaints: A electric dog fence that was protruding into Hamlet Park property has been moved back by the homeowner. A swing mounted in a Park tree has also been removed, but the chain which would support the swing remains around the tree limb.
14. Lewinsville Coalition: The most recent LC meeting minutes were distributed by email. Of note is that the Korean United Methodist Church has made offers to three property owners next to the Church. The presumption is that the Church would like to expand.
15. McLean Citizens Association: John Mealey reported that the Budget and Taxation Committee (that he serves on) has tabled a resolution regarding real estate taxes, although they are will likely petition the County not to raise real estate taxes.
16. Other Business: Wade Smith is attending a “Future of Tyson’s Corner” meeting the same night of the December Board meeting and will report back at the next Board meeting, if not sooner.

A motion to skip the January 2011 meeting passed 8-0, with 7 absentees.

The Meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:00 pm.

The NEXT BOARD MEETING will be Monday, February 7, 2011, 7:30 pm, at the Spring Hill ES.