

McLean Hamlet Community Association

Minutes from the Board of Directors Meeting

January 14, 2013

Board Members Present: Alan Holmer, Lynn Hall, Michelle Blanton, Wayne Tate, Behram Shroff, Rick Law, Eric McGinley, Tara Vold, Paulette Rainie

Board Members Absent: Pat Bowman

Chairpersons and Others Present: Wade Smith

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm in the home of Paulette Rainie.

Administrative Business:

1. Motion to approve the minutes was seconded and passed. Michelle proposed that the first draft of each month's minutes on "the cloud." A second draft will be posted as "read only." Board members will give this new process a 90-day trial. November minutes were approved. Michelle will send approved November minutes to Pat to re-post on the website.
2. Alan asked Eric the status of putting the MHCA archives on the cloud. The general consensus was that important documents should be stored there, but what? Besides minutes, bylaws, newsletters, covenants, the gazebo and legal documents, everything should be determined on a case-by-case basis.
3. Treasurer's Report by Rick: \$280 annual dues were brought in, with \$9 on monthly web-site fees. Motion to approve the treasurer's report was seconded and passed unanimously.
4. Gannet Special Application: Alan reviewed developments with respect to the Special Exception Amendments proposed by Gannett for their corporate offices (across the Dulles Toll Road from McLean Hamlet), and the potential impact on helicopter traffic. Alan, Wade, and Behram have been active on this subject, working with the Fairfax County staff, MCA, and the offices of Supervisors Foust and Smyth.
 - a. Alan reported the very good news that Gannett is no longer pursuing establishment and operation of the helipad at their corporate site, and therefore previously approved development condition 11 (which had permitted the helistop) will be deleted from their Special

Exception. Any future proposal to establish a helistop on the site would require review and approval of a new special exception application.

- b. Once the Special Exception Amendments are adopted, Gannett will not be able to use the helistop, they will not be able to sell any rights to the helistop to a tenant, and, if they sell the building in the future, a purchaser can't have a helistop unless they get approval from the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors.
 - c. The Fairfax County Planning Commission will meet on January 17, 2013 and the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors will meet on January 29, 2013. Both meetings will include the Gannett SE Amendments on the agenda. Alan will communicate the MHCA position to both groups.
5. Alan will send a report out to the general membership after the Planning Commission Meeting. A suggestion was made that MHCA send a thank you to Gannett for agreeing to our terms.
 6. Nominating Committee/Public Safety Chair: (Lynn is assuming both roles.) Lynn will draft a Hamnet asking for nominations/interest in empty slots. Paulette will forward her membership letter to Lynn to also add a "what your board does for you" message. Alan's motion for a \$1200 expenditure to print and mail spring newsletter to all residents in the Hamlet was seconded and approved unanimously.
 7. Report of MCA/Lewinsville Coalition: (see Wade's amended report on the cloud) Mclean Hamlet gets its power from two different sources. Wade questioned if it would be feasible for MHCA residents to pay for an aboveground source of power to go underground. Wade briefed the board on a group home being built near the Hamlet.
 8. Report of ACC/Community Standards: Wade reported nothing to report. Alan asked Michelle to report back ASAP on leaf removal services cost through the county. The Mclean Orchestra was soliciting our help in advertising. We will send a HamNet regarding the event, but will advertise such events on a case-by-case basis.
 9. MHCA Reinstatement with the State of VA: Alan submitted the form the first of January.
 10. Other Business:

- a. Spring Meeting: we need to set a date and schedule speakers who will generate genuine interest in attendance. Wade, Alan, Rick, Tara, Wayne and Michelle will set a date and handle the Spring Meeting logistics.
- b. Eric attended a meeting where he learned that McLean Revitalization Committee is looking to build a large gymnasium near our neighborhood.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was seconded and passed unanimously at 8:39pm. Next meeting will be held at Paulette's on February 4th at 7pm.