

McLean Hamlet Community Association
Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting
April 7, 2014

Board Members Present: Alan Holmer, Michelle Blanton, Jeff Shivnen, Behram Shroff, Tara Vold, Wayne Tate, Eric McGinley, Rick Law, Denys King.

Board Members Absent: Paulette Rainie.

Chairpersons and Others Present: Wade Smith

The meeting was called to order in the home of Michelle at 7:37 pm.

Administrative Business

1. A motion to approve the February 2014 minutes, agenda and Treasurer's report was seconded and passed unanimously.
2. **Treasurer's Report:** MHCA expenses for March were minimal.
3. **President's Update:** Alan solicited feedback on his attempts to achieve the right balance between soliciting Board member input v. making decisions unilaterally (to avoid wasting Board member time). Board members are satisfied with present level of input.
4. **Nominating Committee:** Tara updated the group on Jane Severn, who has expressed interest in serving on the MHCA board. She has reached out to several other people with uncertain responses. Tara's motion to nominate Michelle, Behram, and Jane for Board terms to expire in 2017 was seconded and passed unanimously. Board members will be asked to bring 5 proxies to the annual meeting to ensure a quorum.
5. **Planning for April Annual Meeting:** John Foust is not available for the April 30th meeting, so the Board decided to change the annual meeting to Monday, April 28th. The board reviewed the list of topics we are submitting to Foust to address. Alan will send one more HamNet soliciting discussion topics from MHCA members, as well as notify MHCA of the adjusted date.
6. **Online Directory:** Eric briefed the board on the online directory. We have several ads, which will provide 10% revenue back to MHCA. Jeff Shivnen briefed the board on the requirements for electronic payment of dues via PayPal and electronic transfers. The motion to add a PayPal option to pay membership dues was seconded and passed unanimously.
7. **Report of Transportation Committee:** Weather has delayed the completion of the trail along Lewinsville Road. Concerns are still being voiced regarding the fence

removal/demolition of neighbors' yards. Wade suggested a ribbon ceremony take place with Supervisor Foust upon completion of the trail. Lewinsville Road/Spring Hill study is still in the works. The Lewinsville Coalition will meet with the Fairfax County Department of Transportation about the plans for the Lewinsville Road intersections with Spring Hill Road and Dolley Madison Boulevard. At the state level, changes are being made to prioritize projects, but at the County/Regional level, the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority will still be able to plan and prioritize our own projects. Plans to widen Route 7 are in the works, and the automatic right turn at the Counter Intelligence Building has been fixed. McLean Hunt responded positively to plans to request a \$200 fine for speeding on Lewinsville Road along McLean Hamlet. The board also discussed the status of the Balls Hill/Lewinsville Road intersection.

8. Report on McLean Citizens Association, Lewinsville Coalition: Noreport for the MCA. The Lewinsville Coalition had not met since the last McLean Hamlet board meeting.
9. Report of ACC/Community Standards Committee: The board needs to address the prospect of teardowns. There are rumors that a neighbor on Elsinore is planning a tear-down. The issue was tabled until after the annual meeting.
10. Safety Committee: Rick attended his first Community of Police Associations meeting and met many people. VDOT responded to the massive pothole on Agin Court, but there are serious issues throughout the Hamlet. Rick will submit service orders for many of these potholes. Please inform Rick if you notice any road issues. Rick and Alan will meet offline to discuss.
11. Yard Sale: The Yard Sale will be held on May 17, Large Item Pickup on June 14. Michelle will contact Habitat for Humanity and Wade will contact SHARE to inform them of the Large Item Pick Up.
12. Spring Newsletter: Alan presented the list of proposed articles for the spring newsletter. Please have your submissions to Alan before April 13th.
13. Other Business:
 - a. Landscaping – Tara will ask Maggie about the idea of soliciting a landscaping company to handle the trail and possibly entranceways.
 - b. Power – Jeff updated the board on tree trimming plans within the Hamlet. Virginia Dominion Power will be coming through this spring. Jeff confirmed that the main power lines supplying the Hamlet are not impeded by trees. Wade will send Jeff a PDF of the Dominion Power Presentation. Brett suggested going to the Fairfax County website and searching for the GIS plans.

- c. Fun Runs – An MHCA teen would like to organize a Fun Run to help her achieve her Gold Award for Girl Scouts. She would like to use the Hamlet from 8:15-9:15 on September 27th. Tara will follow up with her.
- d. What are we hearing from Neighbors? The potential eye-sore renovations popping up in the Hamlet. Discussion was tabled until a future meeting.

14. Closing: Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Next Meeting will be held at 7:30pm on **Monday, May 5th** at Michelle Blanton's home.

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