

McLean Hamlet Community Association

Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting

August 31, 2015

Board Members Present: Alan Holmer, Michelle Blanton, Jane Severn, Rick Law, Tara Vold, Denys King, Behram Shroff, Roxanne Axtell, Jeff Shivnen, Matt Tallent

Board Members Absent:

Chairpersons and Others Present: Wade Smith, Brett Blanton

The meeting was called to order in the home of Michelle at 7:35 pm.

Administrative Business:

1. The meeting opened at 7:35 pm in the home of Michelle.
2. Motion to approve the agenda and June minutes was seconded and approved unanimously.
3. **Report of the ACC:** A neighbor recently contacted Alan regarding their interest in a tear-down. Alan explained there are several neighbors who are also planning teardowns and renovations. Brett summarized a proposal he has drafted for a process for the ACC and neighbors to follow. There would be 3 distinct phases: (1) Pre-design, (2) Design phase, (3) Post-Design. He proposes we finalize this process and post it on the website for all residents to have access to. The board will have a fuller discussion on this topic in October.
4. **Membership, Directory Distribution:** Jane briefed the board on the status of the directory. Printed copies will be distributed shortly. Website is up and running. Households have total autonomy of what information is posted/view-able. Events like the picnic, yardsale, and luminaria will all have signups similar to Signup Genius. There is also usage tracking, financing, and many other features which will, over time, provide invaluable information on how useful the website actually is to members. Finally, customer support is wonderful! The final phase of this is to make the last transfers from the old website to the new one, and add relevant, updated information. Tara

mentioned the new app, Nextdoor, and suggested the board sign up and decide if we would like to encourage our membership use this app for referrals and endorsements as services. Michelle proposed that board members all sign up with Nextdoor, review the app, and be prepared to discuss at the next board meeting. Jane's motion to renew the website for an additional year before the price increase (at a 10% discount if paid in full) was seconded and passed unanimously.

5. Transportation: Wade briefed the board on his meeting with John Foust, the Lewinsville Coalition, and a VDot representative regarding large trucks using Lewinsville Road. There is a list of requirements to qualify for the ban, which the road clearly meets. Wade outlined the process to the board, including an explanation of a 2-section ban. Alan asked Wade to let Supervisor Foust know we (Lewinsville Coalition) do not have the money to support streetlights on Lewinsville, but to ask if we can find the money somewhere.
6. Picnic: Denys is set with everything for 20 September. This year's DJ will also bring games. Michelle and Brett will handle tables and coolers from the pool again this year. An announcement will be sent with a reminder that only paid MHCA members will be allowed there. Regarding the Dog Agility Expo, Lex will meet with Denys offline the restrictions/rules. Denys and Jane will meet as well regarding membership. Alan will invite various political leaders.
7. MCA/Lewinsville: Timberly South is upset about traffic on Lewinsville Road and interested in a traffic light being installed.
8. Report of Safety Committee: Rick doesn't have any big news, but reported a suicide within the neighborhood.
9. Insurance: Nationwide called Alan to discuss the increase in our premiums. Bruce Easmundt (?) gave Alan 3 suggestions which Alan followed. The best offer is for roughly \$2000 per year. There is actually nothing we can really cut back on, as we only have general insurance, which will cover events such as the picnic, yard sale, Luminaria. Alan's motion to approve purchasing an insurance policy for \$2018 annually passed unanimously.
10. Other Business:
 - a. Tara proposed that we continue the future "Fun Run" policy next meeting.
 - b. Alan asked board members to be ready at 5:15 to be introduced at the picnic.
11. Next Meeting: The next board meeting is Monday, October 5th at 7:30pm at Alan's house. Meeting was adjourned at 9:02 pm.

