

**McLean Hamlet Community Association
Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting**

February 1, 2016

Board Members Present: Alan Holmer, Michelle Blanton, Jeff Shivnen, Robyn Lighthammer, Tara Vold, Behram Shroff

Board Members Absent: Matt Tallent, Jane Severn, Denys King, Rick Law

Chairpersons and Others Present: Barbara Allen, Brett Blanton

The meeting was called to order in the home of Michelle at 7:33 pm.

Administrative Business:

1. The meeting opened at 7:33 pm in the home of Michelle.
2. Treasurer's Report: In Jeff's absence, Alan discussed the report and Behram pointed out a minor typo.
3. Transportation Committee: Alan informed the board that the bus stop on Lewinsville Road will move further west to create a greater stopping distance for cars coming over the rise in the road. Regarding the Lewinsville Road / Route 7 traffic, Alan and other board members concurred that MHCA should continue our stance of not favoring a 2-lane turn lane from Route 7 onto Lewinsville Road. Brett briefed the board on the 66 expansion project. Two proposals are being studied: one for 3 lanes, the other for 4 lanes inside the Beltway.
4. Report of the ACC: Alan briefed the board on:
 - a. A building which appears to be in the process of construction/
 - b. Status of dumpsters situated in MHCA streets in the neighborhood
 - c. The neighbor whose shed is no longer disguised by trees: Alan is speaking to him about planting some shrubbery to help disguise it.
 - d. His research as to how large vehicles like trailers or boats are to be stored in the neighborhood.
5. Storm Preparedness: Behram briefed the board about a "Table Top Exercise" taking place this month by the Office of Storm Preparedness. They are running a workshop for citizens, which will include real-life scenarios to help families and HOAs prepare, deal with, and communicate with each other in an emergency. They are encouraging neighborhoods to prepare a list of:
 - a) owners who have 4-wheel drive vehicles and are willing to use them to aid those in need
 - b) elderly or special needs residents who may need assistance or a "check-in"

c) any neighborhood shelters (such as the Hamlet Pool bath house) that could be used as a shelter for those who have had severe damage to their houses.

Follow-on discussion ensued regarding the massive snowfall and the great response by contractors in removing snow in a timely manner. Snow Meadow had some complications but were very pleased with the response they had once they called VDOT. Positive comments were made regarding the HamNet's list of snow removal volunteers/services.

7. Luminaria: Alan discussed the Luminaria budget with the Garden Club. Based on the newly instated increased dues, there was no money left in the budget to donate to the Garden Club this year.

8. Report on MCA, Lewinsville Coalition: As this had been discussed in previous topics, Alan omitted re-opening discussion.

9. Report on Safety Committee: Nothing to report as it was covered during Storm Preparedness.

9. April Annual Meeting: Alan confirmed the April 11th meeting with Supervisor John Foust as speaker. Denys, Matt, Rick, and Jeff's terms are up. Tara and Alan discussed the process and asked Robyn and Michelle to join Tara on the nominating committee. Tara will draft a HamNet for Alan to send soliciting nominees. Alan will send a proxy to Tara to be sent via email along with the candidates up for re-election/election. USPS mail notifications and proxies will be sent to those without email. Jane has that list of members to hand mail 10 days prior to the meeting.

11. The next board meeting is Monday, March 7th at 7:30 pm at Michelle's house. Meeting was adjourned at 8:26 pm.