

**HARPER'S CHOICE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 8, 2013
APPROVED JANUARY 15, 2013**

The Board of Directors of the Harper's Choice Community Association conducted its regular meeting on Tuesday, January 8, 2013 at Kahler Hall, Columbia, Maryland. Clare Brooks, Linda Kangrga, Clarence Lam, Alicia Kong, Stephen Cook, Claire Albert, Cindy Coyle and Wendy Tzucker attended. Approximately 15 residents also attended.

Ms. Brooks held Ms. DeLacy's proxy for the vote on the Dog Park.

Mr. Cook called the meeting to order at 7:03pm.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Ms. Kong moved and it was seconded, to accept the Agenda with the addition of the Second Quarter Financial Reports. All in favor

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Dr. Lam moved and it was seconded to approve the December 4, 2012 Minutes as submitted. All in favor.

RESIDENT SPEAK OUT

Harper's Choice resident, Darrin Hornbeck, reported that he had just been at Safeway and there twenty people in line and only one register line was available.

At the next Board meeting on January 15, 2013 the Board will hold an in-depth discussion of Safeway.

COLUMBIA COUNCIL REPORT

.Ms. Coyle waived giving her report at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

Indoor Tennis – Bob Bellamy and Rob Goldman presented preliminary plans for a proposed indoor tennis facility at the Sports Park. They said that the demand for tennis has increased and that the Owen Brown bubble has only about five more years of functionality. They feel that this is the perfect location because parking and a clubhouse already exists.

Dr. Lam moved and it was seconded, to recommend including \$100,000 for planning and permitting in the Columbia Association budget for an Indoor Tennis Facility at the Sports Park complex. The Board also requests that CA come back to the Board to present their final plans. All in favor.

Car Charger – Chick Rhodehamel reported that CA has been granted another car charger from the US Department of Transportation. This will be installed next to the first car charger.

Chartering Pack #61 – Five Representatives of the Pack attended the meeting. They reviewed their activities during the past year. **Ms. Kong moved, and it was seconded, to approve HCCA being the chartering organization for Pack #61. All in favor.**

15 Day Notices – Covenant Advisor, Debbie Nix, was present to request 15 Day letters on three properties.

- 10829 Henley Ct. **Dr Lam moved, and it was seconded to issue a 15 Day letter for 10829 Henley Ct. All in favor.**
- 5428 Hildebrand Ct. **Dr Lam moved, and it was seconded to issue a 15 Day letter for 5428 Hildebrand Cr. All in favor.**
- 11320 Buckelberry Path. **Ms. Albert moved, and it was seconded to issue a 15 Day letter for 11320 Buckelberry Path. All in favor.**

Board Retreat – Mr. Cook would like to have a Board retreat to strategically plan for the future. Ms. Tzucker suggested that perhaps the second or third week in May would be appropriate when the new Board begins their term. **Dr. Lam moved, and it was seconded, that a Board retreat be held in May for strategic planning. All in favor except Ms. Albert who abstained.**

Election Committee Chairman – Ms. Tzucker reported that George Cronin would be willing to serve as Chairman again. **Ms. Brooks moved, and it was seconded, that George Cronin be appointed as Election Chairman. All in favor.**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Dog Park - Approximately 15 people in favor of the dog park spoke out about the need for this facility. **Ms. Kong moved, and it was seconded, that the Dog Park be approved; that CA address the parking issues at the proposed site; that an Advisory Committee be formed and that CA adopt the County's Dog Park policies and procedures.** Discussion followed.

Dr. Lam felt that this topic has brought up the horrendous parking situation near the Cedar Lane fields and he hopes that having the Dog Park will ameliorate some of these issues.

Ms. Kangrga said that it would be safer for children if the Dog Park was built.

Ms. Brooks said that she was in favor of the Dog Park because since the Middle School is located near the existing ball fields, pick-up games can be moved to the Middle School.

Mr. Cook and Ms. Albert were opposed to the Dog Park because they did not like displacing children who used the existing fields.

The vote was called; Dr. Lam, Ms. Brooks, Ms. Kong, Ms Kangrga, and Ms. DeLacy via proxy were in favor; Mr. Cook and Ms. Albert opposed. Motion passed.

Proposed HOA Legislation – Ms. Tzucker presented a draft of a letter stating that the Harper's Choice Village Board saw no compelling reason to change the current statute. **Dr. Lam moved, and it was seconded, to send the draft of the letter as it is written. All in favor.**

VILLAGE MANAGER REPORT

Ms. Tzucker reported that:

- She has been called as a witness at the trial of Dorsey Holland. She is currently writing an impact statement;
- Camp Expo will take place on January 27th from 2:30 – 5:00.
- Kimco has signed banning notices;
- Still on track for the renovation to the lower level and new doors for the main level.

COMMITTEE REPORT

Ms. Kong reported on the work of the Outreach Committee. She had a conversation with Valerie Bernard at CA about working together. She would also like to address the non-English speaking community.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

No report at this time.

BOARD MEMBER REPORT

None at this time.

Meeting Adjourned 9:20