

**HARPER'S CHOICE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
JULY 10, 2012  
APPROVED AUGUST 14, 2012**

The Board of Directors of the Harper's Choice Community Association conducted its regular meeting on Tuesday, July 10, 2012 at Kahler Hall, Columbia, Maryland. Clare Brooks, Claire Albert, Ann DeLacy, Stephen Cook, Linda Kangrga, Cindy Coyle and Wendy Tzucker attended.

Mr. Cook called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**Ms. DeLacy moved to accept the Agenda as submitted. Ms. Brooks seconded: all in favor**

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

**Ms. DeLacy moved to approve the June 5, 2012 Minutes as submitted. Ms. Albert seconded: all in favor.**

**RESIDENT SPEAK OUT**

No residents were present for Resident Speak Out.

**COLUMBIA COUNCIL REPORT**

Ms. Coyle waived giving a report.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Bus Stop - Ms. Laura Scott a resident of 5488 Cedar Lane, spoke to the Board about the ongoing problems in her community that are exacerbated by the bus stop at the corner of Harper's Farm Road and Cedar Lane. The problems include unauthorized people on condominium property, litter, loiters, and vandalism. The condominium is requesting that the County study moving the bus stop, plant bushes, and install a fence. **Ms. Brooks moved that that the Board write a letter to Mary Kay Sigaty and suggest that the County provide resources to Cedar Valley Condominiums to erect a fence and/or plant shrubs. Ms. DeLacy seconded. All in favor, except Ms. Albert who opposed the building of a fence on private property. Motion passed.**

**Ms. Brooks moved that a letter be written to the Howard County Police Department to advocate for more patrols in the vicinity of the Cedar Valley Condominiums. Ms. Albert seconded: all in favor.**

**Ms. Coyle moved that a letter be written to the Transportation Board to advocate for a study to assess moving the bus stop. Ms. DeLacy seconded: all in favor.**

Police Report – Officer Brian Reger, the new Community Resource Officer for Harper's Choice, introduced himself. He explained that he has been in Harper's Choice for over 5 years, so he is very familiar with the Board's concerns. He spoke about working closely with KIMCO on banning people who cause problems. He answered questions about loitering and the bus stop.

Safeway – Bryan Caudle, Safeway District Manager for the Eastern Division, and Joe Bohns, the current manager of the Harper's Choice Safeway, spoke to the Board about recent changes they have made to upgrade Safeway. Board members have seen a positive turnaround in the past few weeks. They also spoke about security in the store and other problems.

End of Year Financial Statement – Ms. Tzucker reviewed the latest financial statements with the Board. After discussion, **Ms. Kangrga moved that the End of the Year Financial Statement be accepted as submitted. Ms. Albert seconded: all in favor.**

Village Associations Contingency Fund – Ms. Tzucker reviewed the changes in the Contingency Fund documents. **Ms. Kangrga moved to approve the current changes to the Contingency Fund documents. Ms. Albert seconded: all in favor.**

### **VILLAGE MANAGER REPORT**

Ms. Tzucker reported that the pictures from the parade are on Facebook and website

She also suggested that the date of the August meeting be changed to August 14 because of a conflict with National Night Out. The Board agreed.

### **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

No report at this time.

### **BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**

Ms. Kangrga said that the HCVCCP committee did not meet in July, but they are still working to finish the Master Plan.

Ms. Albert said that the target date for the completion of the Hobbit's Glen Clubhouse was the spring of 2014, not fall of 2014. Ms. Albert was also concerned about the letter she received from CA about the new Spectrum billing system. She found parts of it not too clear. It also did not give a phone number or a person to call if one had questions. Ms. Coyle did not remember seeing it and said she would forward it to Phil Nelson for explanation.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

Letters to Police Chief, Mary Kay Sigaty, and Transportation                      Tzucker

**Meeting adjourned 9:03.**