

**HARPER'S CHOICE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 1, 2016
APPROVED DECEMBER 6, 2016**

The Board of Directors of the Harper's Choice Community Association conducted its regular meeting on Tuesday, November 1, 2016, at Kahler Hall, Columbia, Maryland. Robert Fontaine, Robin Procida, Stephen Cook, Jim Smith, Ben Rubin, Alan Klein, and Steve Ingley were in attendance.

Mr. Fontaine called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Ms. Procida moved and it was seconded by Mr. Cook to approve the Agenda, unless Alan Klein attends, in which case, to amend the Agenda per his request to add a discussion on the Howard County Citizens Association's legislative efforts to "Turn Down the Sound at Merriweather Post Pavilion." Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Mr. Cook moved and it was seconded by Mr. Smith to accept the Minutes of the October 4, 2016 Board Meeting and Closed Meeting Statement as submitted. Motion passed unanimously.

RESIDENT SPEAK OUT

Ms. Ida Cofield discussed concerns regarding Cedar Valley condominiums and the need for fencing to inhibit foot traffic through the complex's green areas. Ms. Cofield also asked for an update on the moving of the Harpers Farm Road bus stop into the Village Center. Mr. Ingley explained that as of last week, he was informed that Kimco and the County are very close to finalizing the move.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Requests for Juanita Robinson Grant Funds – Longfellow Elementary School PTA submitted a written request for a grant in the amount of \$500 to help subsidize the cost of the annual Dash through the Path Fun Run. **Ms. Procida moved and it was seconded by Mr. Smith to approve a Juanita Robinson Grant in the amount of \$150.00 to the Longfellow Elementary School PTA for the annual Dash through the Path Fun Run. Motion passed unanimously.**

- B. Howard County General Hospital Update – Mr. Ryan Brown and Mr. David Nitkin presented the board with an update on pending campus expansion.

- C. Student Board Member – Mr. Smith moved and it was seconded by Mr. Rubin to exercise removal proceedings due to noncompliance with board meeting attendance requirements as outlined in the bylaws of the corporation. Motion passed unanimously.
- D. FY2017 1st Quarter Financials – Mr. Rubin moved and it was seconded by Mr. Cook to approve the FY2017 1st Quarter Financials as presented. Motion passed unanimously.
- E. Merriweather Post Sound Legislation – Mr. Smith moved and it was seconded by Mr. Cook to support the Howard County Citizens Association’s legislative efforts to “Turn Down the Sound at Merriweather Post Pavilion.” Motion failed with Mr. Smith and Mr. Cook for and Ms. Procida, Mr. Rubin, and Mr. Fontaine against.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. New Employee Handbook – Mr. Smith moved and it was seconded by Mr. Cook to approve the new Employee Handbook. Motion passed unanimously.
- B. Mr. Rubin moved and it was seconded by Mr. Smith to move into Closed Meeting to consult with staff personnel in connection with pending litigation. Motion passed unanimously. Ms. Procida moved and it was seconded by Mr. Cook to move out of Closed Meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

None submitted.

Mr. Cook moved and it was seconded by Ms. Procida to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously at 8:59 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Stephen J. Ingley
Village Manager/Secretary
Harper’s Choice Community Association