

**HARPER'S CHOICE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 18, 2011
APPROVED NOVEMBER 1, 2011**

The Board of Directors of the Harper's Choice Community Association conducted its regular meeting on Tuesday, October 18, 2011 at Kahler Hall, Columbia, Maryland. Clare Brooks, Claire Albert, Alicia Kong, Ann DeLacy, Clarence Lam, Cindy Coyle, and Wendy Tzucker attended.

Prior to the regularly scheduled meeting the village board met with Officer Chris Valentine of the HCPD and three of the merchants from the village center.

Ms. Brooks called the meeting to order at 7:04pm.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Ms. DeLacy moved to accept the Agenda as submitted. Ms. Kangrga seconded. Ms. Tzucker asked that the Covenant Issues be deleted from the Agenda and Ms. Coyle asked to add Allocation Methodology. All in favor

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Ms. Albert moved to approve the Minutes of September 20, 2011 as submitted. Dr. Lam seconded: all in favor.

RESIDENT SPEAK-OUT

Robert Temple of Endymion Lane spoke about the difficulty with making a turn onto Rte. 108 from Eliot's Oak Rd. He said that he thinks a traffic light is needed at that intersection. He reported that he has been in contact with the state and they feel that based on a recent traffic survey, the intersection does not meet the warrants necessary for a traffic light. He has requested a copy of that study from the State.

Ms. Martha Szolles of Endymion Lane spoke against the construction of the new tot lot in the open space near her home. A copy of her testimony is included in the file copy of these Minutes.

COLUMBIA COUNCIL REPORT

Ms. Coyle presented her report in writing. She reminded the Board that the pre budget information is available on line. She also reported that CA is setting up Clean Teams and Repair Teams to evaluate every CA facility on an ongoing basis. Ms. Coyle spoke about the progress on the Hobbit's Glen Clubhouse and the Aquatics Master Plan.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Police Report – Officer Chris Valentine updated the Board on the latest crime statistics. He said that crime is down about 20%. He spoke about loitering and banning of problem individuals in the village center. He also spoke about Title 19.
- b. Tot Lot Equipment – Denis Ellis, CA Open Space Construction, presented his plans for equipment in the new tot lot. **Ms. DeLacy moved to approve the planned equipment as presented by Mr. Ellis. Ms. Kong seconded: all in favor except Ms. Kangrga who abstained. Motion passed.**
- c. Longfellow PTA – Tony Yount, the President of the Longfellow PTA, spoke to the Board about the needs at Longfellow Elementary School. He also explained about the programs that have been set up at the school to foster community involvement and to reach out to the community. He requested a \$500 donation to defray some of the costs of these programs. **Ms. Kangrga moved to donate \$500 to the Longfellow PTA. Ms. DeLacy seconded: all in favor.**

- d. Environmental Sustainability Committee – **Dr. Lam moved that the Environmental Sustainability Committee be included in the HCVCCP committee. Ms. DeLacy seconded: all in favor.**
- e. Media Policy – The current Village Board Information policy was reviewed. **Ms. Kangrga moved to table any changes until the next meeting. Ms. Kong seconded: all in favor.**
- f. Allocation Methodology - Ms. Tzucker will submit a draft of the Board’s testimony to the Board for their review and comments.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. Logo – Ms. Tzucker presented the results of the survey. **Ms. Kong moved that option number 1 be approved. Ms. Kangrga seconded: Ms. Kong, Ms. Brooks, Ms. DeLacy approved. Ms. Albert voted no and Dr. Lam abstained.**
- b. HCVCCP Member - **Ms. Kong moved to appoint Ms. Kangrga to the HCVCCP. Dr. Lam seconded: all in favor.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ms. Kong reported that the Outreach Committee met and discussed many new ideas. They will meet soon with the programmer, Susie Jordan, to plan future activities.

Ms. Brooks reported that the Orientation Committee met and presentations will be at 6:30pm on November 1st. Ms. Kong will present on the Village Activity and Ms. Tzucker will present a financial overview.

Action Item Review

Draft Allocation Methodology testimony Tzucker

Meeting adjourned 9:10pm