

**HARPER'S CHOICE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 17, 2013
APPROVED OCTOBER 1, 2013**

The Board of Directors of the Harper's Choice Community Association conducted its regular meeting on Tuesday, September 17, 2013 at Kahler Hall, Columbia, Maryland. Stephen Cook, Clare Brooks, Ann DeLacy, Claire Albert, Clarence Lam, Linda Kangrga, Robert Fontaine, Alicia Kong, Cindy Coyle and Wendy Tzucker were in attendance.

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

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Ms. Albert moved and it was seconded to accept the Agenda amended to include a Covenant Compliance discussion, and Postage Paid Envelope discussion. All in favor.

THE CONSENT AGENDA

There was no discussion of the Consent Agenda.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Ms. Kangrga moved and it was seconded to approve the August 13, 2013 Minutes as modified. All in favor.

RESIDENT SPEAK OUT

No residents were present.

NEW BUSINESS

Bridge Columbia – John Slater and Karen Gray attended the meeting as representatives of Bridge Columbia. They reported that the County approved money for a feasibility study on a bridge over Route 29 for pedestrians, bikers and public busses. However, they have not conducted that study. Mr. Slater said that if the County moved forward with the study, then there are grants available to aid in the building of the bridge. Mr. Slater and Ms. Gray requested that the Board send a letter to the County Executive and the County Council requesting that the County conduct a feasibility study on building the bridge.

Ms. Coyle moved, and it was seconded, that the Board send a letter to the County supporting the feasibility study. All in favor.

15 Day Letter for 5425 Endicott Lane – Ms. Nix presented a brief history and photography of the property. **Dr. Lam moved and it was seconded, that the Board send 5425 Endicott Lane a 15 day letter. All in favor.**

Covenant Compliance – Ms. Albert reported that she had attended the Covenant Training Session held by CA and found it very informative. She thought it would be a good idea if the homes of all Board members were compliant with the covenants. Ms. Brooks and Ms. Coyle said that that was already on the books. Ms. Tzucker will research it further and bring it back to the Board for the next meeting.

Citizens on Patrol – Ms. Kangrga said that in the past there with an organization of volunteers that helped the middle school students before and after school. She thought it might be a good idea to explore a similar group of volunteers to help with the shopping center. Dr. Lam suggested that we liaison with the police, but talk more at our next meeting.

Master Plan Presentation – Ms. Coyle presented the Master Plan that is the culmination to six year’s work by the committee. **Ms. Kangrga moved and it was seconded, that the Plan be accepted with the staff amendments. All in favor.**

First Quarter Financials – Ms. Tzucker presented the 1st Quarter Financial Statements. **Ms. Brooks moved and it was seconded, that the 1st Quarter Financials be accepted as presented. All in favor.**

Donation to the Chelsea Lions Soccer Club – **Ms. Kong moved and it was seconded, that the Board donate \$500 to the Chelsea Lions Soccer Club.** Discussion followed as to what documentation the Association requires on donations. Ms. Tzucker will present a draft policy for the next meeting. After the vote was called, Ms. Kong in favor and all other opposed. Motion failed.

Postage Paid Permit – Ms. Tzucker explained that due to the expense a number of villages share the Postage Paid Permit held by Wilde Lake Community Association. This permit is used during election season so that HCCA can provide postage free returns of the ballots. **Ms. Kangrga moved and it was seconded, to continue to use the Wilde Lake Community Association’s permit. All in favor.**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Technology – Ms. Brooks presented a report that she and Ms. Kong authored explaining the different aspects of their research. Ms. DeLacy suggested that a vote on the report be held at the next meeting. All agreed.

School Forum – Ms. DeLacy brought the Board up to date on the plans for the Forum on October 7 at Kahler Hall.

Action Items

Letter requesting a feasibility study of the Route 29 Bridge	Tzucker
Research Covenant Compliance	Tzucker
Donation Policy	Tzucker

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

There were no comments

Meeting adjourned into Executive Session to discuss personnel issues at 9:45 pm