

Minutes

College Heights Estates Association Board of Directors Wednesday, September 17, 2008

President Beverly Silverberg called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present at the meeting were Beverly Silverberg, President; David Merkowitz, Secretary; Board Members Ron Blunck, Jean Bourne-Pirovic, Matthew Kinnard, Jean Lee, Anne Scott, Ellen Wallis.

The following topics were discussed:

1. Treasurer's Report -- Beverly Silverberg reported that the County (via Eric Olson) provided \$2700 toward the gypsy moth spraying project. As a result, there are funds to use for other projects, e.g., street signs/posts.
2. CHEA Fest -- This year's CHEA Fest will be held on Sunday, October 19th. We will ask for volunteers from CHE for help with this event. Photos of the event will be taken and posted on the CHEA website (<http://www.cheamd.com>), and some will be included in the next newsletter following the event. CHEA magnets will be given out.
3. Gorgeous Prince George's -- County program scheduled for October 18th. As part of this program, CHE will receive crepe myrtle trees, and daffodil bulbs. Property owners at the CHE entrances will be contacted for approval to provide new landscaping on their land. We will ask for volunteers from the community to assist with the plantings.
4. Leaf Pickup -- Beverly attended a recent meeting at the County Department of Public Works and Transportation about leaf pick up. The options of having 1, 2, or 3 leaf pick ups were discussed. Beverly has notified the county that we want the 2-leaf pick ups with appropriate advance notifications process as in the past.
5. CHEA Meeting -- Beverly recommended, and the Board agreed, that it is time for CHE residents to receive an update about area development/transportation issues. Local developers will be contacted to provide updates at a CHEA Community Meeting to be scheduled in early to mid November. The specific date, time and place will be disseminated to all CHE residents as soon as arrangements are final.
6. The County is convening the 2nd Annual Economic Outlook Forum for Prince George's County. Beverly is planning on attending for CHEA.
7. Inter-generational Housing-- Ron Blunck made the following motion with a second from Matt Kinnard:

“The CHEA Board reviewed the change in MCF’s marketing strategy and the building design changes that MCF recently presented to us. The Board continues to support the development plans for the inter-generational housing project under three supplemental conditions:

- a. That MCF remains permanently committed to shifting its marketing strategy from a focus on 'renting' to a focus on 'ownership' when local condo market conditions improve.
- b. That MCF create protective covenant(s) that will be recorded in the land records for this project that ensure a shift to 'ownership.'
- c. That the University of Maryland continues to insist that the marketing strategy shift from 'rental' to 'ownership' as local condo market conditions improve.

The above motion has been forwarded to all CHEA Board members for a vote.

8. Street Signs/Posts – Ron Browning has been working on replacing street signs as needed. It is necessary to replace any remaining deteriorating posts/signs now. Ellen Wallis has volunteered to work with Ron to identify appropriate sign templates. Many wooden posts are extremely worn and need immediate replacement as well.

9. Membership – A number of new residents joined CHEA during the gypsy moth project. We will continue to recruit new members. Beverly will check with the membership committee to schedule an update for the Board.

10. National Register of Historic Places – Ron Blunck advised that the consultant is completing the survey report identifying those parts which are eligible for designation. The survey is being finalized and will be forwarded to MNCPP for action.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Submitted by Anne Scott
September 25, 2008