

Carderock Springs Citizens' Association
March 19, 2012 Minutes CSCA Board Meeting

Present: Jack Orrick, Georgia Petsche, Phil Rider, Mary Lou Shannon, Bob Stocker, Gunnar Tomasson

Opening and Comments –

Phil Rider called the meeting to order.

Discussion –

1) Secretary's Report –

The February minutes were presented and reviewed. Following discussion, the February Minutes were approved.

Gunnar Tomasson to consider February Meeting minutes final.

2) Treasurer's Report –

Bob Stocker provided an overview of the monthly Treasurer's report. The report reflected that 75% of revenue goal had been achieved. Phil asked how the CSCA did with new neighbors joining. Bob replied that the database information does not identify who new neighbors are. Mary Lou offered to take a look at the database names and Barbara Ames might also have some information to help with the effort.

Regarding the budget line items, Mary Lou was not sure if the Garden Tour was a one-time item that shouldn't be included as a separate item.

Action - Mary Lou and Barbara Ames will take a look at the database names to help with the effort to identify new neighbors.

Treasurer's Report for the month of February were approved

3) General Items

Mary Lou mentioned the walking path from Park Overlook to the Club needs repair. Phil said he would check with Club Board on who has responsibility for maintenance and repair of the paths.

Phil said he had spoken with Club Board members in general about Club membership and community impact. He would like to explore working more closely on future efforts.

Phil to check with Club Board on who has responsibility for maintenance and repair of the paths coming from Park Overlook Ct. and Still Spring Ct..

4) Safety Committee

Phil said that the committee has recently had new members volunteer to help on the committee.

5) 50th anniversary Planning

Several people have volunteered to serve on the 50th anniversary planning committee. A neighbor of Phil's has offered to contribute music for the event.

Phil asked that the Board please get the names of any additional persons for the committee by Friday; Phil will get a list together and send it to Jack. The committee will be given the leeway to decide direction of the celebration.

Jack suggested that the Committee should be provided some budget parameter to work with and maybe some ideas to get the discussion started.

Jack, Georgia and Mary Lou have volunteered to be on the Committee. Phil would also like to have a Club Board member on the Committee.

Action – Mary Lou will contact some of the persons that grew up in the neighborhood regarding the 50th anniversary.

6) Annual Meeting

The business portion of the meeting will include:

- Treasurer's Report
- Secretary – Recap of the previous year
- Brief Committee Reports
- Election

As in previous years, a gathering will be held prior to meeting with wine and cheese. The meeting will then begin at 7 pm. Phil said that Barbara Ames has offered to help organize the gathering.

Looking ahead to the upcoming Board year, Mary Lou suggested asking meeting attendees what they would like to see the Board address in the coming year.

To include this and other ideas, the business segment of the meeting will be followed by:

- Reflection of long-term residents
- Members sharing wishes and thoughts on Board for the coming year

Mary Lou offered her ideas on increasing the number of Board positions. She reviewed neighboring community boards and noted the different roles included (e.g., Activities Chair, Covenant Chair, etc.) and swim club liaison.

Jack noted that the by-laws would need to be revised if additional positions were to be added to the Board.

Jack will draft amended language for the by-laws. Any change in the by-laws requires notification to community with a 30-day notice prior to a vote. The decision is determined by a majority of those who participating in the vote.

Action – Jack will draft amended language for the by-laws.

7) ARC –

Phil mentioned that Curt Hastings is leaving his temporary role with the ARC. Phil suggested that Curt's contribution to the ARC will be recognized during the Annual meeting. Gunnar will coordinate recognition for the next meeting.

Phil asked that the names of any candidates for the ARC to fill be sent to him.

Action – Gunnar to coordinate recognition of Curt Hasting's contribution to the community and ARC.

8) Newsletter –

Melissa Wilets has offered to help with graphics for the community newsletter. Phil asked that any changes to the design of the newsletter be worked and coordinated with Noelle.

Mary Lou suggested re-naming the 'green newsletter' to the "Carderock Springs Community Newsletter". The Board agreed with the idea to re-name the newsletter.

Mary Lou will ask Margit to write an article for the newsletter about the Carderock architecture or the 50th anniversary.

Mary Lou will put together “Did You Know” tidbits about Carderock to be included in the newsletter.

Gunnar to consider including newsletter updates based on minutes and Board activity.

9) Other Items

“Carderock Springs” sign:

Georgia provided an update to the Board on the Carderock entrance sign. The County provided that an easement is typically 12’ – 25’ although they could not provide easement information specific to the Hamilton Spring Rd. and Lily Stone Dr. sign

Mary Lou will check with the ARC about designing a sign that includes “Carderock Springs” and information on the historic designation.

Action – Mary Lou will check with the ARC about designing the revised “Carderock Springs” sign with historic information.

CSCA Website:

Mary Lou reviewed the proposed website naming and consolidation effort. She discussed the idea with Margie Orrick who maintains the website. Margie liked the naming concept and the proposed change is moving forward.

Meeting Adjourned.