

**CARDEROCK SPRINGS CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION**  
**November Board Meeting**  
**November 12<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 P.M.**

The meeting was held at the Swim Club and was called to order at 7:00 PM. Present were Christine Uzzell, Acting President; Phil Rider, First Vice President; Tom Hilton, Second Vice President; Sandy Dembski, Member at Large; Noelle Lewis, Newsletter Editor. Also present were the following members of the community: Theres Kellermann, Carl Goodman, Charlie Schott and Susan Smith-Pinelo,

**MINUTES** from the September meeting were reviewed and accepted.  
**TREASURER'S REPORT** was reviewed and accepted.

**ARC GUIDELINES**

The guidelines were sent out to the community by mail on Oct. 31, 2007. Votes and replies have been coming in. Monday, Dec. 10, 2007 will be the deadline for sending in a ballot. Sandy suggested that a reminder be put on the web site and chat room. There was discussion on how to do the counting. Christine suggested that at least two people do the counting together, possibly to include someone from outside the Board.

Christine also reported that she had met with Charlie and Theres. They presented a few numbered suggestions to the Board. After some discussion, it was voted to include the cover letter that was mailed with the design guidelines as part of the design guidelines document. Tom suggested there needs to be a way to update the guidelines in the future. Phil added that there needed to be some future discussion on how the guidelines could be amended.

Some further concerns were raised by community members who attended. Specifics included: previous ideas presented by community members were not accepted by the Board; some statements in the guidelines were considered untrue; there is an unclarity as to the meaning of "architectural style"; many members of the community are unclear of the ARC procedure; there is a need for ARC to be open to architectural ideas and not be legalistic about standards. The Board openly listened to all ideas/concerns presented.

It was emphasized once again that the document is a "guideline" and not something set in stone.

**LITIGATION**

Christine reported that Attn. McCabe has not heard from Bogart/Kurtz lawyer. Court date is set for Nov. 26, 2007.

**DUES**

It was pointed out that the bylaws need to reflect the increase/change in dues. Noelle agreed to update the bylaws and post on the web site. Tom suggested that the Board needs to let the community know how the increase in dues will be spent. The Board felt it would be a good idea to get some suggestions from the community as part of the annual dues membership letter. Tom volunteered to work on a survey and provide an update at the January meeting.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Board members were encouraged to check out the Columbia, Maryland web site. Sandy also added that there are several other community web sites that might be more comparable to Carderock Springs.

A concern about the vines growing on trees was raised. It was felt that the Board might need to organize a way to get people to cut the vines.

The Nominating Committee is looking for people to serve on the Nominating Committee.

In the December newsletter include update on litigation, guidelines, Board openings.

Sandy raised the issue of getting the community involved in a "going green" effort. If a meeting is held, it was felt that it needed to be made clear as to what the meeting would be about. The idea came from Mary Lou Shannon. Unsure of who would organize the meeting and further discussion at a future meeting of the Board.