

Carderock Springs Citizens Association  
Minutes from Board Meeting on April 17, 2023

Held via Zoom.

Board Members present: Jack Orrick, Maja Husar, Ashish Goel, Susan Eastman,

Board Members absent: Ashkan Malayeri, Meaghan Sullivan Curry

Community members present: Rick Wilson, Brian Glenn, Katherine Stifel, Karen Ringo, Kimberly Young, Jason, Steve Seitz, Scott Wilets

Jack Orrick called the meeting to order around 7:35 pm.

Agenda:

1. Approval of March Board meeting minutes
2. Treasurer's report for March – Ashish
3. Annual Meeting – May 7
4. Upcoming social events
5. Old Business
6. New Business
7. Next Meeting - May 15 – newsletter deadline; discuss summer meeting schedule

**Item 1: Approval of March Minutes**

No comments on minutes. Deemed approved.

**Item 2: Treasurer's Report – Ashish Goel**

- Nothing out of ordinary – dues from first physical mailing – so far ~275 households paid dues, another mailing will be sent out end of March – goal is to have approx. 320 households
- Options for reserve of money that is not in CD currently – 5% is one year's CD average across many banks, including our Lafayette Bank (LFCU) – Ashish made a point it is easier not to transfer money to another bank. Board agreed to deposit \$40,000 into LFCU's 1 year CD
- \$300 will be due in July for the database A-to-Z contract

**Item 3: Annual Meeting**

- May 7, 7-8:30pm

- Maja Husar to lead
- Open up with snacks and wine – 7-7:30pm
- Discussed the agenda: Highlights of the year / Thanks to those that went above and beyond, financial highlights, upcoming events in 2023, voting for amendment to bylaws - Maja to prepare slides and distribute for everyone's feedback by 4/30
- Speaker organized by Diane Karlick – Montgomery County, Government Energy Connection – Maja will contact them ahead of time

#### **Item 4: Upcoming social events**

- **Home Tour** planned for May 21 – 1-4pm, \$10 per family, \$15 the day of, keep expenses low – brochure with descriptors and a map; wrist bands to indicate those who paid  
6 houses signed up, dozen people signed up so far to visit  
Payment – in advance (will discuss with Ashish), or meeting to pay in person at the clubhouse  
Organizers: Danielle, Melissa, Karen Ringo, Kimberly Young  
Rules will be communicated to homeowners and participants directly prior to the event  
Only certain area of the house will be open to the public  
Volunteers – 2 per house to monitor  
The board suggested removing age limit and leave it to parents' discretion
- **Progressive Dinner** planned for May 13 – RSVPed period ended; 4 people that signed up so far – probably to think about fall; In the past we had 30 ppl – 5-6 different groups

#### **Item 5: Naming the Knob on Lily Stone**

New name for a nameless knob on Lily Stone– Ken Hinga will make the new knob house (will cost \$350 at most)

Jason's kids came up with a few names suggestions:

- Nootimus Knob - Oak Knob
- Wiiwish Knob - Acorn Mush Knob
- Dogwood Knob
- Squayawasanck Knob
- Fox Knob

The board selected Wiiwish that intrigues, educates and pays honor to indigneious people

#### **Item 6: Tree Guidelines**

- Gary Ratner gave updates on development on the tree preservation guidelines:
- The board approved new tree preservation guidelines and committee worked on suggestions on ARC guidelines – hope to have it competed by end of May 2023

- Section 2 has to do with ARC and has multiple provisions – the group (Gary, Sue, and Nancy) is working on recommendations on revision to ARC's guidelines + revision for property modification that ARC has
- Proposed text will be sent to the board and to ARC at the same time.  
Jack raised the topic on updating 2007 ARC guidelines and offered funds to help with engaging someone to help with this – Scott Wilets said the latest graphic files are pre-2007, Trace Reese would have the latest person who has – Scott will check and give the board an update during the next meeting

**Item 7: Next Board Meeting – May 15**

- First official meeting of the year – will focus on planning events and initiatives for 2023/2024
- Newsletter deadline 5/19-20, print issue 5/26
- Newsletter will include introduction of the Carderock Village

Respectfully submitted,

Maja Husar, Co-secretary