

CARDEROCK SPRINGS CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING OCTOBER 16,2023

Held via Zoom.

Convened at approximately 7:30 pm by Jack Orrick.

Board members present: Jack Orrick, Ashish Goel, Maja Husar, Kimberly Young, Brian Glenn, Susan Eastman, Katalin Roth; community members present Jennifer Hughes

Board members excused - Rick Wilson, Steve Seitz, Meaghan Curry, Ashkan Malayeri

Agenda:

1. Approval of September 2023 Board Meeting Minutes
2. Treasurers Report
3. Debrief of Welcome Dinner event
4. Fall Annual Meeting Nov 5, 7 pm
5. Traffic Committee report
6. Storage of CSCA signs, materials historical records
7. Old Business-beltway widening, knobsign rehab, daffodil planting, Village
8. New Business

Next Meeting Nov 20

Newsletter Deadline

In Ashkan's absence, Katalin agreed to serve as Secretary for the meeting.

1. September Minutes Approved.
2. Treasurer's report included report on Welcome Dinner Expenses net of receipts of approximately \$2,000, which were below budget.
3. Welcome Dinner Debrief: Event was very successful, over 100 attendees including most new residents. Two tier pricing structure helped with planning for food amounts as mostly prepaid attendees. It was agreed that we should be consistent if possible in setting the date from year to year to facilitate planning. It was agreed that the last Saturday of September should be the regular date of the Welcome Dinner.
4. Jack Orrick encouraged all Board members to attend the Fall Annual Meeting, which will be held in person at the Club from 7 – 8:30 pm. Some assistance will be needed to set up for the meeting – please let Jack know if you can come at 6:30 pm. Dr. Steven Holland, NIH will speak about vaccine updates. – Maja suggested trying to come up with creative marketing of the talk.

5. Jennifer Hughes explained about the Traffic Committee's work so far. The County is planning new guidelines re traffic control and the Traffic Committee is waiting for these. The Traffic Committee hopes to meet with representatives of MontCo DOT in the next month. The Traffic Committee clarified that it will not be focusing on "upper Fenway", the stretch from Carderock Springs Drive to Fenway Drive, only on the stretch of Fenway between Carderock Springs Drive and Lilly Stone Drive. It is hoped that community discussions about traffic measures will be civil, polite, respectful and not replicate the unpleasant experience of earlier attempts to work on this vital issue. Jennifer indicated that the County is expected to revise its regulations on speed humps in the near future. Jennifer raised the question of how best the committee can communicate with the community and there was a productive discussion. General agreement that communication should come through the Board. Also, it was suggested that short updates might be provided in the newsletter, as a regular feature.

6. Storage of historical materials regarding the community has not been organized, several individuals including Kimberly, Jack and Sue have materials which have historic and archival interest. How materials might best be stored was discussed. Digitization seems to be the best option. Ashish will research options and more discussion on this subject will be held at the next meeting. Ashish indicated that Board members should provide him with a list of materials in their possession so that an inventory can be developed.

7. Old Business: the beltway widening issue is being raised again; the SHA will be holding open house meetings November 13 – 15, Unclear if daffodil planting will go forward this autumn. No updates from the Village Exploratory Group. Sue and Katalin updated the Board on a recent productive meeting between the ARC and the Tree Committee and plans to update the ARC design guidelines and coordinate efforts.

8. Next Meeting – November 20; no December meeting so Board members are encouraged to bring any business needed to be addressed prior to late January to this meeting. Newsletter deadline – October 27.

Respectfully Submitted,

Katalin Roth (acting secretary for this evening only)