

COUNTRY CLUB VIEW CIVIC ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
OCTOBER 24, 2016
MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 7:40pm in the home of Diana Michel. Members present were Diana Michel, Diane Carnahan, Bea Stephenson, Mindy McAllister, Bob Mizer, Steve Belisle, Sheila Coffin, Don Weber, and Sherrie Brady. Also present was new board member Betsy Fields (Oak View Elementary School liaison). Absent was Susan McKenney.

Minutes for the September board meeting and the October general meeting had not yet been posted and so could not be approved.

Diana Michel, president, had three items for the board to discuss: 1) service projects for CCV sponsored Boy Scout Troop 1865, 2) trash pick up rates, and 3) the purging of old documents from Nextdoor.com. She also announced the database for CCV membership is in the process of being completed.

- 1) Boy Scout Troop 1865 will clean up the stairs from Oak View Elementary School to Gadsen St. on November 12. Oak View has approved this project. Scouts are also available to help with the CCV neighborhood signs.
- 2) Trash pick up rates from American are discounted to \$75.00 if the CCV customer calls them. Republic offers no deal with their rates being \$69.00 for once a week, and \$75.00 for twice a week.
- 3) The executive board will communicate through email to decide which documents to purge from Nextdoor.com.

Don Weber announced funds were already available to complete one full college scholarship. He also said the CCV P.O. box was not being used as much as it has been in the past deducing that membership applications were slowing down. He also added that a "who has paid" column would be useful in the CCV database.

Sheila Coffin has recruited John Nguyen to keep current the information on the CCV neighborhood signs. She said Donna Haynes Williams was in charge of the yard sale signs.

Diane Carnahan said she knew of only one CCV house which was sold this past month. She had met and welcomed several new families during the summer.

Sherrie Brady asked if owners of unkempt CCV rental properties should be contacted. Don reminded the board that letters had been sent in years past concerning dilapidated yards and houses, and that as a result improved upkeep had been noted. It was decided to remain aware of such properties with no plan at present to make contact.

Bea Stephenson announced that at the October meeting of the Women's Club a guest presenter spoke on all things "honeybee," and new member Sarah Nguyen was welcomed. She also informed us about a new Fairfax History exhibit at the Fairfax Museum. And she had a list of gas stations (mostly EXXON) whose pumps had been hit by a scam called "skimming."

Mindy McIlister had no report from Robinson Secondary, but noted lots of postings on Nextdoor.com.

Bob Mizer reviewed the important safety and traffic information he presented at the September 28 General Meeting: 1) the rough pavement on Concordia, 2) the dangerous speeding on Portsmouth at Gadsen, and at Portsmouth/Ames and Portsmouth/Marlborough, and 3) the increased numbers of GMU students parking along Sideburn, and at Portsmouth/Gadsen. His committee of volunteers has canvassed many residents. He is in communication with VDOT and Supervisor Cook's office.

Betsy Fields announced Oak View's Fun Run (date?). It was suggested she post Oak View events and information on Nextdoor.com. She also mentioned a check writing campaign, and that the Oak View principal is to be retiring.

Steve Belisle who had officiated at the September CCV General Meeting was pleased to announce that approximately 40 people were present that evening. Highlights of the meeting included a power point presentation given by representatives of the Fairfax County Park Authority (upcoming vote on referendum) and Bob Mizer's Committee Chair Report on Public Safety and Traffic Calming.

Sheila announced that 125 membership applications have been received and that she will get lists to block captains of those people who have paid for membership.

Don suggested that we reduce the PayPal fee for paying CCV membership online from \$3.00 to \$1.00 in order to encourage more people to pay online. He said we have money in our budget to cover the cost. A motion to make that happen was approved.

The next Executive Board meeting will be November 14, 2016, at the home of Don Weber. Suggestions for newsletter articles will be discussed and assigned (deadline Nov. 19-20).

Holiday decoration judging will take place December 15/16.

Submitted by Sherrie Brady

