

Chartley Homeowners Association

Minutes for Board Meeting - - July 14, 2020

President Mary Molinaro called the meeting to order at 7 pm.

The following Board members sent their pixels to the Zoom meeting: (1) Mary Molinaro, (2) Dave Powers, (3) Ernie Schmidhauser, (4) Betsy Sloan, (5) Jack Sloan, (6) Jim Stanton, (7) Anne Yambor, (8) Chris Yambor, and (9) Dan Palich.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Board approved the minutes for the Board Meeting of June 06, 2020.

Officer Reports

President - - Mary Molinaro

- The Reisterstown Rec Council has not yet opened its programs because of COVID-19.
- Mary did not send her weekly update to the community this week because there were no new issues to report.
- Maryland Nonprofits has COVID-19 grant money for nonprofits that provide community services during the pandemic. The Board decided CHA would not apply because other nonprofits have a greater need since they provide food and serve the community on a daily or weekly basis.
- CHA received a grant from LifeBridge Health for NNO. Rather than have CHA return the money now, LifeBridge instructed CHA to retain the money and use it for NNO in 2021. That means CHA will not apply to LifeBridge in 2021.

Vice President - - Ernie Schmidhauser

- The pandemic has caused CHA fundraisers and other events to be cancelled. In addition, if we were to hold an event, CHA costs would increase because of health regulations and crowd control requirements.
- CHA had planned to hold its annual crab feast fundraiser on October 10. Unfortunately, the American Legion will not decide the availability of the hall until August 15, which would reduce CHA's window for advertising and selling tickets. In addition, CHA would have to reduce attendance from 100-110 to 70-80 and furnish a crowd control expert.
- Mary moved: "The crab feast for 2020 should be cancelled." Ernie seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously.
- If schools do not reopen, CHA cannot hold the October General Meeting at Reisterstown Elementary School. The Board will discuss in detail at the August Board meeting. In the interim, CHA will classify the General Meeting as "tentative."

Treasurer -- Dave Powers pinch hit for Joe Ganem who is on vacation.

- Dave said that because CHA's traditional fundraisers are being cancelled, CHA needs to seek new sources for revenue. This will be an ongoing issue for the Board.
- CHA ended the 2019-2020 year with \$14,129, of which \$9,770 represents CHA operational funds. The balance of \$4,359 represents non-CHA funds (such as COP money and the Daly scholarship). The operational funds do, however, include a \$1,000 grant from LifeBridge which must be used for NNO in 2021.

Secretary -- Dan Palich -- No issues to report.

Committee Reports

Block Captains -- Anne Yambor

- CHA had two vacant Block Captains. They are now filled. Jane Hienz will fill the Homevale vacancy and Mary will fill the vacancy created by the death of John Hartlove.
- Anne will work with Brad Sharpless to distribute the Chatters when they are ready. Mary asked them to send an email to Block Captains to let them know the expected delivery date. Summer delivery can be complicated by family vacations.

Membership -- Betsy Sloan -- Thus far, CHA has 74 members for 2020-2021.

Newsletter -- Jack Sloan

- The Chatter will likely go to the printer by the weekend. Jack is awaiting two articles and one possible full-page ad.
- The deadline for the next eChatter is August 11, the date of the next Board meeting.

Police Representative/COP -- Dave Powers

- In June, CHA had three crimes (two vandalism and one breaking and entering).
- Chartley had 20 crimes in 2019-2020. That's the same number as 2018-2019.

Police Community Relations -- Dave Powers -- PCRC did not meet. Future meetings have not been scheduled because of COVID-19.

Real Estate -- Mary Muth emailed the real estate report. The report shows that since the start of CY 2020, 16 Chartley homes have sold. Of the 16 homes, 9 homes were on the market for 8 days or less. In addition, 2 new listings are under contract. One was on the market for 3 days, the second for 5 days. Chartley remains a desirable place to live.

Reisterstown Main Street - - Mary Molinaro

- The Farmers Market is being held but all other events have been cancelled due to COVID-19. The crowd at the Farmers Market has followed all the social distancing rules.
- RIA has formed teams to work on the Community Legacy grant which was awarded to focus on the 200 block of Main Street.
- The beer and wine festival had been scheduled for April 25, 2020 but was postponed because of COVID-19. The back-up plan was to hold the festival during October 2020. The October date is tentative because of the virus.

Smoke/CO₂ Detector - - Jim Stanton - - No new installations.

Scholarship - - Chris Yambor - - Because of CHA's inability to hold fundraisers, we can consider lowering the scholarship amount. The Board will discuss this at future meetings.

Webmaster - - Chris Yambor - - Chris will update the website to show which events have been cancelled and which are tentative.

Zoning & Traffic - - Jim Stanton

- Jim reported on a code enforcement issue on Walgrove.
- It is difficult getting signatures for speed bumps on Glyndon Drive. Some homeowners refuse to answer the door because of COVID-19.

Old Business - - The stream cleanup had been scheduled for April 4 but was cancelled. At prior meetings, we could not find a suitable replacement date. Since then, the Reisterstown Festival has been cancelled, which frees up Saturday, September 12. Since September 12 is now free, the Board decided to hold the stream cleanup on that date. A major issue is vegetation along the streambed. If the vegetation (mainly thorns) is too dense, we might be able to clean only the sections along Shirley Manor, Sacred Heart, and Gwynnwest.

New Business - - None.

Carryover Items for August Board Meeting - - (1) Dealing with CHA's revenue shortfall.
(2) Deciding to hold or to cancel the October General Meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Written by Dan Palich, Secretary