

# Chartley Homeowners Association

## Minutes for Board Meeting - - February 8, 2022

President Joe Kirby called the virtual meeting to order at 7 pm.

Board members and Committee members in attendance:

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| (1) Joe Kirby      | (6) Ernie Schmidhauser | (11) Diane Allen |
| (2) Larry Van Horn | (7) Betsy Sloan        |                  |
| (3) Joe Ganem      | (8) Jack Sloan         |                  |
| (4) Dave Powers    | (9) Kaycee Wright      |                  |
| (5) Mary Molinaro  | (10) Chris Yambor      |                  |

### **OFFICER REPORTS**

**President** - - Joe Kirby

- Yard waste will only be picked up in paper bags beginning April 1st
- Bulk trash will be picked up beginning April 7<sup>th</sup>

**Vice President** - - Larry Van Horn

- There was a successful pot hole repair on Bond Ave with cooperation from the Department of Public Works and Justin Silberman
- He has noticed an increased county police presence on Sacred Heart Lane to help monitor and reduce speed.

**Treasurer** - - Joe Ganem

- Shephard Pratt has not cashed any checks for the printing of the Chatter's since August.
- He is holding onto the most recent payment since it will be another check outstanding. Mary will speak to Bonnie directly and ask her to cash the check.
- There was a question raised concerning the checks and if they needed to be checked to avoid having to pay taxes on advertisements, or if just proof of them being written was all that would be required. Joe will contact our tax preparer, Judy Wright, after April 15 to discuss this.

**Secretary** - - Kaycee Wright - nothing to report

### **Immediate Past President - - Mary Molinaro**

- Nominating Committee report- three positions have been filled for the upcoming election (Joe will remain as president; Larry as vice-president; Diane as new secretary) in April, except for Treasurer. She has a few more potential people to ask to fill this role.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **Block Captains - - Anne Yambor –not in attendance**

- Chris gave a report on behalf of Anne and announced that she will need to be replaced as Block Captain Head. She is able to stay on for the next edition if necessary.

#### **Membership - - Betsy Sloan**

- To date, CHA has a total of 171 members for 2021-2022, and 64 members for 2022-2023.
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#### **Newsletter - - Jack Sloan**

- Next Chatter deadline is April 1<sup>st</sup> to ensure that the General Meeting is announced in time, in addition to the proposed changes with the bylaws and association name, which will once again be mentioned in the upcoming edition.
- All advertisers have paid
- Jack will contact Bonnie to make sure that Shephard Pratt will be available to copy the July edition of the Chatter.
- A discussion was had regarding churches being able to advertise in the Chatter. It was decided that to maintain and protect our 501c3 status both religious organizations and political perspectives not be advertised.
- Regarding the upcoming events for the Chatter, Dining at Reter's needs to be removed as this event has been canceled, and the combined yard sale with Country Club on May 14 & 21 need to be included.

#### **Police Issues & Police Community Relations - - Dave Powers**

- No crimes have been reported!
- Ernie and Dave met with Captain Buckingham on June 28<sup>th</sup>. A few items were discussed:
  - Squeegee kids are making their way from the city to our area. If anyone observes this happening, call 911 to dispatch the officer.
  - June 11<sup>th</sup> - Officer Appreciation. Last year CHA presented a certificate to all officers of Precinct 3 to show our support. This year we will be presenting a certificate of appreciation to the family members of the officers.
- February 15<sup>th</sup> - PCRC meeting update:

- Information was given regarding unruly social gatherings. In July 2021, a law was passed giving officers the authority to issue a civil citation if a party is viewed as “wild.” A citation could result in a penalty of \$500 and up to \$1000 if the issue persists.
- Fights at both Franklin and Owings Mills are increasing. There is concern that these fights will affect the shopping centers across the street.
- BCPS is short in bus drivers.
- The next PCRC meeting is March 15<sup>th</sup>, masks required.

#### **Real Estate -- Mary Muth**

- A discussion was had on how the reports that she generates should be used. It was concluded that the reports are very insightful and they should be included in the Chatter. To ensure this can occur in the most effective way, they will be sent in an excel format that Jack can more easily manipulate to fit the space in the Chatter.

#### **Reisterstown Main Street -- Mary Molinaro**

- Upcoming Main Street Events:
  - April 9<sup>th</sup>- Spring Extravaganza
  - May 7<sup>th</sup> Blooming Art Fest
  - June 24<sup>th</sup>-August 26<sup>th</sup>- Music on Main Street, 6:30-9:30pm
  - June 5<sup>th</sup> - October 3<sup>rd</sup> – Farmer’s Market
- CHA will have a booth at the Blooming Art Festival on May 7<sup>th</sup>, 10am-5pm. She will be arranging volunteers to fill three time slots: 10:00-12:00; 12:00-2:30; 2:30-5:00.
- A campaign for a mural artist has begun. Permitting is currently underway to allow a mural to be painted on the side of a building on Main Street.
- Redistricting update- the official answer should be announced soon if Main Street will stay in District 2 and under Councilman Izzy Patoka and his attentive staff.
- It seems there is some growing interest in the vacant gas stations on Main Street, but nothing has been confirmed.

#### **Smoke/CO Detector -- Jim Stanton – Not in attendance**

#### **Scholarship -- Chris Yambor**

- Franklin High School notified Chris that one scholarship application has been received. This applicant looks very qualified. If additional applications are received there will be a committee formed to select the best applicant.
- The winner will be announced on April 8<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Webmaster -- Chris Yambor**

- A poll was created to get community input on potentially expanding membership to non-residents. This poll was announced via the E-Chatter, shared on Facebook, and the raw data was collected and shared:
  - Out of the 30 people who responded, 25 were members, 4 were non-members, and 1 was renting. It seems that the majority are in favor of a name change.
- A brief discussion happened on the next steps if the bylaw change was approved. CHA will adopt a trade name (not an official name change with the state), and it will be Chartley Neighborhood Association. A domain name has already been purchased.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

- The combined yard sale with Country Club will take place on May 14<sup>th</sup>. Preregistration is on their website at [countryclubestatesreisterstown.org](http://countryclubestatesreisterstown.org).
- Recommendations for ideas on how CHA can be more visible in the community is welcomed.
- Four things that will be determined at the General Meeting include, and need to be sent out two weeks prior to the meeting include:
  - Approval of election of officers
  - Budget for 2022-2023 (Joe will work on this)
  - Bylaw change
  - Name change

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- Stream Clean Up - April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9:00am. Parking is at the bridge by Chartley and Highmeadow. Volunteers are needed. Dress appropriately for the weather, including hard sole shoes.
- Kiwanis is once again hosting a free paper shredding event on Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, in the Cherry Vale shopping center (by former Office Depot). There is not a limit to the amount of paper that can be shredded.
- For the Annual Crab Feast (October 15<sup>th</sup>), the second payment due to the American Legion is due on October 1<sup>st</sup>. An initial deposit of \$225 has already been paid. Discussion is also being had on changing the menu to include beef.
- It was decided to aim for an in-person board meeting for April. The General Meeting will still be via Zoom to accommodate our guest speaker from Solid Waste.

The meeting adjourned at 8:47 pm.

Written by Kaycee Wright, Secretary