

Chartley Homeowners Association

Minutes for Board Meeting - - November 10, 2020

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

In attendance (virtual meeting): (1) Joe Ganem, (2) Mary Molinaro, (3) Dave Powers, (4) Ernie Schmidhauser, (5) Betsy Sloan, (6) Jack Sloan, (7) Jim Stanton, and (8) Dan Palich.

The Board approved the minutes for the Board Meeting of October 13, 2020.

Officer Reports

President - - Mary Molinaro

- Cheryl Pasteur spoke at CHA's general meeting (a Zoom meeting) on October 29. Mary said Cheryl told her she enjoyed the interaction with Chartley families and Cheryl asked to be invited to future meetings. Mary will do that. Cheryl is the School Board member who represents District 2.
- Baltimore County has grant money to assist restaurants deal with COVID issues.
- Mary and Ernie will serve on the nominating committee for the 2021 Board elections. Both Mary and Ernie have termed out and must be replaced. Mary is seeking a third person for the committee.
- Mary raised the issue of a Board meeting in December 2020. Traditionally, the Board has a social get-together as a substitute for a regular Board meeting. Because of COVID, the Board decided not to meet in December 2020. The next Board meeting will be Tuesday, January 12, 2021.

Vice President - - Ernie Schmidhauser - - CHA received a \$500 donation thanks to one of our residents. The person's employer has a charity-donation program and CHA was the beneficiary. We should encourage residents to contact their employer to see if they have a similar program. Retirees can do the same with their former employer.

Treasurer - - Joe Ganem

- CHA had no disbursements in October 2020.
- Receipts increased moderately because of CHA membership renewals. The recent Chatter contained the membership renewal form.

Secretary - - Dan Palich - - No new items to report

Committee Reports

Block Captains - - Mary reported (for Anne Yambor) that all Block Captain positions are filled.

Membership -- Betsy Sloan -- The new year began July 1 and membership has reached 145. Last year's membership (for the entire year) was 184.

Newsletter -- Jack Sloan

- The cutoff for articles for the November eChatter is November 10. Jack will send the eChatter to Mary on November 11.
- One advertiser has been slow in paying his bill for an ad in the Chatter. CHA will not print future ads for this company until the bill is paid.

Police Issues & Police Community Relations -- Dave Powers

- The Police Community Relations Council met on October 13. Captain Buckingham reported several issues.
 - He has received several complaints concerning loud auto mufflers. Existing ordinances do not cover this problem and staffing constraints limit his ability to act. However, if residents call 911 with descriptive information, the police will issue repair orders if they can locate the offending autos. In addition, he has received complaints about loud mufflers in the 300 block of Hammershire. The Captain will deploy the traffic team to that area.
 - Although the police have made some arrests, dirt bikes are still a problem. Police have received reports of dirt bikes riding on the railroad tracks. The Captain urged residents to call 911.
 - Police will increase patrols in the business districts during the holidays.
 - The former Citgo (across the street from Wawa) is now a licensed used car dealer.
- Crime-reporting websites are still not operating. Dave is working with the police to find an alternative source of crime data, but a solution is not imminent. Dave has written an article in the eChatter asking residents to notify Dave when a crime occurs. Of course, they should first call 911.
- Dave will apply for grant money for COP activities in 2021-2022.

Real Estate -- Mary Muth sent the report for recent home sales in Chartley. Sales in Chartley have continued to be active and quick. Six houses went on the market recently, and all six sold in 10 days or fewer. Three of the six sold for over \$300,000.

Reisterstown Main Street -- Mary Molinaro

- Baltimore County has received a grant to improve pedestrian traffic.
- Upcoming events
 - November 13-21 -- Holly Fair at RUMC (virtual)
 - November 14 -- Clear and build Woodlands Trail
 - November 21 -- Hang wreaths on Main Street
 - November 28 -- Small Business Saturday on Main Street
 - December 5 -- Main Street Cleanup
 - December 10 -- Light the Hanukkah candle
 - December 12 -- Light the Christmas tree

Scholarship -- No activity to report

Smoke/CO Detector -- Jim Stanton -- Installations are on hold because COVID deters entry into houses to install the devices. Jim is seeking a volunteer to help install the detectors. Mary included the request in the November eChatter.

Webmaster -- No activity to report

Zoning & Traffic -- Jim Stanton -- One of the Chartley houses has repeatedly violated county code regarding loud parties and vehicles parked in the back yard. Jim reported that the homeowner has been cited and has appealed the decision. A hearing will be held on November 24.

Special Events -- None planned due to COVID

Old Business -- Old business items were discussed as part of the officer reports and committee reports.

New Business -- COVID has interrupted most of CHA's activities. Mary believes this would be a good time for a "neighborhood" project to boost and unify Chartley. If we identified a project, CHA would apply for grant money to fund it. Mary asked Board members and Committee members to suggest ideas.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Written by Dan Palich, Secretary