

## Board of Directors Meeting

October 16, 2013

In attendance:

Beth Acton, Heide Burke, Vince Burke, Michelle Collins, Nancy Davis, Ellen Evans, Margie Kerr, Andrea Ranaghan, Wayne Richardson, Ben Roberts, Tom Scott

Meeting called to order 7:35pm.

Treasurer's Report:

- 4 outstanding assessments: 1 has been sent to collection, 1 is in process, 1 will be sent a certified letter and 1 has requested a payment plan
- Phone Bill – Wi-Fi is now itemized on Treasurer's Report
- Taxes have increased due to new rain tax
- Water and sewer rates have also increased

Newsletter Committee:

- Chatter was delivered last month by Heide Burke
- Permanent chairperson slot is still open, and temporarily held by Vince Burke
- Heide stated that the volunteer table suggested at previous meeting should be set up at the Fall Festival to try to get a volunteer for this chairperson position, as well as any other open positions.

Pond Update:

- Compacted clay "liner" could be cracked, which could be why pond water levels are dropping dramatically. The pond may need to be drained and "relined" with new compacted clay (Spring 2014). A non-clay, synthetic liner is another option, but would be more expensive.
  - Vince Burke offered to collect water level data and requested a few recorders to assist

Website Committee:

- Homeowners Association meeting minutes are posted (to July 2013)
- Vince Burke will contact webmaster re: posting September Chatter

Social Committee:

- Fall Festival is scheduled for 10/26
- Oktoberfest took place 10/5 and was well received and successful

Ameristar new construction development (Idlewilde):

- Tom Scott and Michelle Collins (co-chairs ad hoc committee) will draft and forward a letter to the Board of Directors to submit to County Executive – Laura Neuman and to the Zoning and Planning Board voicing Chartridge's strong opposition to the construction of 28 new homes in the land between Chartridge (Yorkshire side) and Idlewilde. It was suggested that we forward the letter to the community attorney for her review. Heide Burke will talk to attorney to see if she will do so.
- Michelle and Tom will meet with local officials to tour proposed area and discuss impacts on traffic, environment, drainage and legalities of Ameristar's plans.
- Tom suggested that the community set aside funds for attorney fees in case we need to solicit the help of our attorney to help in our opposition.

## Greater Severna Park Council

- Ben Roberts (liaison) reports Chris Phipps from the Department of Public Works will be the keynote speaker at the 11/12 meeting

### Pool Committee:

- Ben Roberts is also working on a survey to determine what “wants and needs” can be identified for next pool season. Ben will follow-up with Mary Pat Bozel for comments, then forward to the Board of Directors for final review and approval.

### Brightview Assisted Living construction:

- Lighting in parking lot was too bright. Brightview was extremely flexible and agreed to reduce light bulb wattage and will shorten lampposts to alleviate Benforest residents’ concerns.
- The company has planted Leeland Cypress trees on perimeter for privacy on perimeter

### Miscellaneous:

- Repaving of all Chartridge public roads has been postponed to 2014. Roads in need of major patchwork will be completed this year
- Gainsborough residence continues litigation and is pending resolution

Meeting adjourned at 8:29 pm