

HICKORY RIDGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
March 15, 2010

Chairperson Miles Coffman called the meeting to order at 7:35pm at The Hawthorn Center. Those present included John Bailey, Linda Hitzelberger, Tom Louden and Michelle Wood. Also present were CA Board Rep Gregg Schwind, Village Manager Jane Parrish, and Land-Use Liaison Joan Lancos.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The agenda was approved.

APPROVAL OF MARCH 1ST MINUTES: The minutes were approved with the following correction: under Board Comments the paragraph should read, "Ms Lancos mentioned that John Bailey, candidate for State Delegate, was holding a fundraiser on April 15 from 5-7pm at Oakland Manor."

RESIDENT SPEAKOUT: There were no residents who wished to speak on non-agenda issues.

VILLAGE CENTER MASTER PLAN: The recently appointed Village Center Vision Committee (Bill Chesnutt, Al Edwards, Brian England, Anne Kelly, Steve Sternheimer) met with the Village Board to discuss a schedule and procedure for developing a master plan for our village center. Committee member Marvin Lawson was unable to attend. Ms Lancos prepared information notebooks for the members. Mr. Coffman, Ms Hitzelberger and Ms Wood will also serve on the committee. Ms Lancos will survey the group to come up with a next meeting date.

COLUMBIA COUNCIL REPORT: Mr. Schwind reported on the CA Board's discussion regarding pedestrian safety, biking and transportation for future Downtown planning. The board is also considering the creation of 501 c (3) status for certain projects so that they might accept tax-deductible contributions. He also reported that a citizen had filed an ethics complaint about CA Board member Russ Swatek.

3rd QUARTER FINANCIAL REPORTS: The Village Board reviewed and approved the 3rd Quarter Financial Reports.

MANAGER'S REPORT: Ms Parrish reported on the successful Ladies Night Out on March 5. She also stated that there have been no negative comments about the proposed Rain Barrel guideline. The board will vote on the proposed Architectural Guideline addition at the April 5th board meeting. She updated the board on the village election race. The incumbent board members are running again along with a Clemens West resident, Tina Smith. Mr. Schwind will run unopposed.

Ms Parrish said she intended to survey the village for battered and broken utility boxes and monument. She will then report them as a group to the utility companies.

BOARD COMMENTS: Ms Wood and Ms Hitzelberger thanked the staff for a wonderful Ladies Night Out. Mr. Louden said he wanted on a future agenda a discussion about a policy to have the county plants new trees for existing trees that are removed for county projects. Mr Schwind asked Ms Parrish to include in the next Log an article asking residents to help the county by repairing gouged grassy strips themselves.

ACTION ITEMS: Ms Lancos will arrange a date for the next meeting of the Village Center Vision Committee. Ms Parrish will write a Log article about repair of grassy strips and include Tree Replacement on the next agenda.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Parrish
Village Manager