

HICKORY RIDGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
April 5, 2010

Vice-Chairperson Tom Louden called the meeting to order at 7:35pm at The Hawthorn Center. Those present included John Bailey and Linda Hitzelberger. Also present were CA Board Rep Gregg Schwind and Village Manager Jane Parrish.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The agenda was approved.

APPROVAL OF March 15th MINUTES: The minutes were approved.

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

COLUMBIA BOARD REPORT: Mr. Schwind announced that the April 8th Directors meeting would include a presentation by Ned Tillman on Saving the Chesapeake. The Directors will also continue its discussion on the enhancement of the CA pathway system, making Columbia friendlier to bicyclers and walkers. He also said that CA plans to publically unveil its new computer software on July 1.

RAIN BARREL GUIDELINE: Ms Parrish said that after advertising and proposed rainbarrel guideline to the community, the office has received no negative comments. In fact, several residents had already submitted applications using the proposed guidelines for rainbarrels. The Village Board voted unanimously to add the proposed rainbarrel guidelines to the village's Architectural Guidelines.

TREE REPLACEMENT POLICIES: Mr. Louden said he was concerned about the number of large trees that were removed for the Robinson Nature Center project. He asked Ms Parrish to see if the county projects were bound by the tree replacement policies that developers had to follow. He also asked that she arrange a presentation about the Nature Center for our village residents. He suggested that the village invite other villages as well.

MANAGER'S REPORT: Ms Parrish said that the reception desk needed a new monitor but the old CPU, though working well, would not accept a new flat screen model. Ms Lindblad contacted the Lazarus Foundation, and they donated a 21" old-style monitor. Because he did not charge us for the used monitor, Ms Parrish suggested a donation to the organization. The board unanimously voted to donate \$100 to Lazarus Foundation.

BOARD COMMENTS: Mr. Bailey asked Ms Parrish to see what the bulldozers were doing on the front lawn of the college. Ms Hitzelberger asked what the county planned to do about snowplow damage to the grassy strips. Ms Parrish said the county would come out and look at reported damage and make a repair list based on the seriousness of the damage. Mr. Louden said he would miss the May 17th Village Board meeting. He asked Ms Parrish to check on the status of the replanting of screening at the village center's gas station. Mr. Schwind suggested we consider using village teens for volunteer needs.

ACTION ITEMS: Ms Parrish will investigate county policy re tree replacement, schedule a Nature Center presentation, check on the status of the Sunoco station's landscape screening, call about the bulldozer work at HCC and send a donation to Lazarus Foundation.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Parrish
Village Manager