

HICKORY RIDGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION  
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING  
June 7, 2010

Chairperson Miles Coffman called the meeting to order at 7:30pm at The Hawthorn Center. Those present included John Bailey, Linda Hitzelberger, Tom Loudon and Michelle Wood. Also present were Village Manager Jane Parrish, and Land-Use Liaison Joan Lancos.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The agenda was approved.

ROBINSON NATURE CENTER: Mark Raab from Howard County's Department of Recreation and Parks discussed the plans for the Robinson Nature Center on Cedar Lane. His PowerPoint presentation included photos of the site, a construction update, floor plans, and details regarding special programs and services. The county expects to open the facility by spring 2011. Fifty-five residents attended.

APPROVAL OF MAY 17<sup>TH</sup> MINUTES: The minutes were approved.

ZONING VARIANCE ON CEDAR LANE: The owner of the medical building on Cedar Lane, just south of the daycare center, wishes to extend the rear of the building by 30ft. Abutting village residents have been notified by our Village Office. The county hearing will take place on June 28.

ELECTION POLICIES: The board discussed election issues and agreed that the village should have a poll open at the Village Center on Friday of Village Election weekend and at The Hawthorn Center on Saturday. They also preferred that the village hold no election if there is no contested race. Ms Parrish will contact members of the Election Committee and ask for their comments on the suggested changes.

4<sup>TH</sup> QUARTER FINANCIAL REPORTS: The Village Board reviewed and approved the FY2010 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Financial Reports. The signed reports will be forwarded to CA.

MANAGER'S REPORT: Ms Parrish reported on the successful June 6<sup>th</sup> Columbia Home Tour, the June 11<sup>th</sup> Ice Cream Social and plans to purchase a laptop computer for the office. She gave the board the names of the Resident Architectural Committee and asked that they be reappointed for the new fiscal year. The board also appointed new RAC member, Deb Smith. Ms Parrish said the next regularly scheduled Village Board meeting falls on July 5, a Federal holiday. The board agreed to cancel the meeting.

15-DAY VIOLATION REQUESTS: The board voted to send a 15-Day Violation Notice to the owner of 6005 Snow Crystal. They also voted to remove 6042 Watch Chain and 6229 Sunny Spring from the list of outstanding violations.

BOARD COMMENTS: Mr. Bailey suggested that the board again invite CA President Phil Nelson for a casual dinner at The Hawthorn Center. Ms Parrish will make the arrangements. Mr. Loudon asked Ms Parrish to check on the new sign at the Village Center advertising a sushi bar, a leaning traffic sign at Hickory Ridge/LPP, and a possible covenant violation on Bright Passage. He encouraged the board members to attend the June 16<sup>th</sup> meeting at HCC regarding the 10-yr plan. He also urged the board ask GGP once again for covenant control over the Village Center.

Mr. Coffman told the board members that a Kimco representative would attend the June 16<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Village Center Visualization Committee. He also asked Ms Parrish to check on the cycling of the traffic light at Sunny Spring/Hickory Ridge Rd. In addition, Mr. Coffman passed along two covenant complaints from Hawthorn residents.

ACTION ITEMS: Ms Parrish will investigate the new sign at the Village Center, the traffic light at Sunny Spring/Hickory Ridge Rd, the reported covenant violations and the leaning traffic sign. She will also invite Mr. Nelson for dinner and contact the Election Committee members about suggested changes to the election process.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 9:25pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Parrish  
Village Manager