

LONG REACH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
July 19, 2016

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Long Reach Board of Directors was called to order by Karen Hitcho, Chair, at 7:27pm Tuesday, July 21, 2016, in the Plaza Room at Stonehouse. Other members present were Nina Basu, Edward Coleman and Bill Taylor. Also present was Janet Evans, CA Representative; Sarah Uphouse, Administrator and Rita Seidelman, Board Secretary.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

The agenda and minutes from June 21, 2016 was approved by consensus.

HOWARD COUNTY VILLAGE REPORT

Raj Kudchadkar, Howard County Deputy Director, Department of Planning and Zoning briefed the Board on the County's application to the State to have Long Reach declared a sustainability community. This applies to all of Long Reach excluding Kendall Ridge. This designation would enable Long Reach to tap into state revenue streams. The funding stream categories are: strategic demolition, community legacy and business works. The County should know by the Fall if the application has been accepted. The County has already tapped into the revenue stream for Ellicott City.

Grants can be applied for at various times within the 5 year designation period and may be as much as \$100,000. Each grant needs to be matched by the applicant. Projects are not prioritized and average two or three a year.

Basu inquired if the grants come into play with the Village Center and tennis bubble. Kudchadkar explained that the grants will be incorporated into the plans and there will be a symbiotic relationship. The Village Center Revitalization was a trigger for applying for these grants with the focus on long term requirements. The Village Center renewal is moving forward and urban renewal is often a multi year process.

Coleman clarified that the sustainability determination does not touch zoning.

To summarize the presentation, Hitcho stated that the sustainability classification has a positive potential.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

(Attached to original minutes)

CHAIRPERSON'S COMMENTS

Hitcho informed the Board that County Resolution 102-2016 requesting authorization for the County to sell the Village Center will be presented to the County Council on Monday, July 25, 2016 at 8:30am

CA BELL TOWER REPLACEMENT

Evans reported that the bell tower can not be restored to its original location because of electrical problems. The decision has been pushed to the back burner. The bell tower may be brought out temporarily for the 50th Birthday Celebration.

COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT

Evans reported that CA is proposing branding all Villages and CA signage for consistency. The CA Board agreed that this needs to be a very slow process. Uphouse said that this plan was presented at the Managers Meeting and the signage was very industrial looking and did not express each village's uniqueness.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

(Attached to original minutes)

COVENANT ADVISOR: FIFTEEN DAY LETTERS

Hitcho moved to send a 15 day letter as requested by the Covenant Advisor to 5752 Flagflower Place. Seconded.

Approved: 4 - 0 - 0.

Hitcho moved to send a 15 day letter as requested by the Covenant Advisor to 8583 Black Star Circle. Seconded.

Approved: 4 - 0 - 0.

COVENANT ADVISOR : DISMISSAL LETTERS

Hitcho stated that the Board enjoys issuing dismissal letters.

Hitcho moved to remove the flag from 9030 Queen Maria Court. Seconded.

Approved: 4 - 0 - 0.

Hitcho moved to remove the flag from 6149 Waiting Spring. Seconded.

Approved: 4 - 0 - 0.

Hitcho moved to remove the flag from 5778 Yellowrose Court. Seconded.

Approved: 4 - 0 - 0.

Hitcho moved to remove the flag from 8857 Blade Green Lane. Seconded.

Approved: 4 - 0 - 0.

LONG REACH DOCUMENTS

Hitcho reviewed the 2016-2017 Board Documents: Rules and Procedures; Goals and Strategies; and Goals and Objectives; and believes that they are all acceptable.

Hitcho moved that the documents be approved. Seconded

Approved 4 - 0 - 0.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:01pm.

