



CHESAPEAKE ISLE CIVIC ASSOCIATION
P. O. BOX 160 NORTH EAST, N.C. 21901

CICA Board of Directors Meeting – Minutes March 18, 2004

The meeting began at 7:23 at the pavilion.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS PRESENT:

Michael Szep, Sr., Janet McKenna, Rob Green, Ward Keever, Jim Abel, Ken Knapp, Bill Dryden

ABSENT: Brian Clare, Vern Orndorff, Sonny Hayes, Gordon Osborne and Jay Gilfillan

Committee Members and Guests Present: Harry Hite, Dave Byler, John Bates, Jonah Goodwin, Ray Holdren

President's Report: Thank you to the social committee for the progressive dinner. I also want to thank all the people who opened up their homes. There were 66 guests and 10 host houses! Everyone had a thoroughly good time.

I want to thank Glenn Culler, John Bates and Jim Abel who worked on the roads.

The dry hydrant has been repaired this fall. It went through the winter with ice and snow and is still okay and ready to use if necessary. The North East Fire Company has tested the hydrant and it passed inspection.

I want to comment on neighbors helping neighbors. Several neighbors stopped to help Megan Browne on Turkey Point Road after an accident recently. Dawn Kyle had some water and tree problems; several neighbors came to help out. Thank you.

There was a recent golf cart accident involving some neighbor children with one of the children getting hurt.

In early February the by-laws were put in the homeowner's depository in Elkton. Copies of other documents will be provided to the County shortly.

The community was served with a complaint in response to the by-law change. Counsel will be notified.

In Memoriam:

Howard Hite passed away the other day. He was a former president, community member, neighbor, Man of the Year in 1997, Dawn's Dad, Cheryl's husband. The Isle will miss Howard.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Minutes were e-mailed for approval. The minutes were accurate as reported with one date correction. Minutes were approved by Ward Kever and seconded by Ken Knapp, passing by the Board unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Not much activity. Two more tractor payments have been made. We will not be getting another Certificate of Deposit until the income has all been collected. One bill is still in negotiations to lower the final amount due.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Architectural Review: One set of plans has been rejected and the builder has been informed. We are waiting for re-submission. Two modifications to existing homes were submitted. One is an addition; the other is a cement pad for a gazebo.

Darrel Road has some surveying that is being done.

There has been no further activity in the neighborhood. (Barry Miller)

Beach: Some tree trimming has been done, but nothing further. (Jim Abel)

CICA Clothing: Nothing new to report. (Dottie Fritz)

E-mail and Web: Nothing new to report. (John Reber)

Erosion: We are still trying to get a price to fix the erosion problem near lot G-18; there is 200 feet of shoreline that needs to be taken care of. Also, the undercut area where the sign is on Jacob's Nose has lost a lot more dirt.

There seems to be more erosion up the beach from where the giant log has been beached. The same characteristics were evident back when Jacob's Nose started to erode. We will need to look into this what can be done.

We are waiting to receive an estimate to see the cost of removing the giant log from the beach area. (Ken Knapp)

Grass Mowing: Invoices will be coming. The price of \$110.00 per lot is established, the same as last year. A membership form should be included with the grass mowing invoice if the lot owner has not yet paid current membership dues. (Ken Knapp)

Harbor: As of today I have 76 mooring reservations with more to come. My hope is to pick up as many as possible on Saturday morning. Between Saturday and mooring plant day, I will attempt to complete some repairs to the mooring puller, so that we can get another year out of it. The repairs to the old dock will be started after we have obtained the necessary State permit.

We also need a small load of road material to repair the edge of the lower harbor road to stop water damage.

I will need all the available bodies that can make it on this Saturday.

Mooring RESERVATIONS are IN the same shape as last year, though there are some new moorings that have been added.

(Bill Dryden, Harbor Master)

Historical: Nothing new to report. (Audrey Buck)

Legal: CICA has been served with legal papers. An attorney will be contacted to respond to defend the change in the by-laws. (Dave Byler)

Maintenance: Regular maintenance on some of the equipment has been performed. Ed Earle and Sonny Hayes performed some mower maintenance. A list has started for maintenance on the tractor. The general maintenance of the Jacob's Nose area has been started by Fred Berkenheiser, Jim Abel and Ned Schoonover. (John Bates)

Membership: The dues are starting to come in and are coming in about the same rate as last year. (Les Fritz)

Newsletter: There will be one in April. Please get information ASAP, before April 1st. (Les Fritz)

Roads: There has been some concern about the millings not binding. The environmental situation has changed the formula on the millings to a stricter guideline. John is looking into another product that might hold together better and will report any information as it comes in. More dust is now kicking up and options are being looked into to handle this. We would like to get two loads for both Bennett and Rolling (currently on hold). We

also need one load in stock for potholes. Some of the future millings need to be used in the harbor area. Pine Lane has been graded and a load of millings are slated for that road. Approximately 6 loads are needed which will cost in or around \$2,000.

The north side of Mason Lane needs to be addressed. It looked as if patching has been done. But this is also slated for 2004. (John Bates)

Snow Plowing: Nothing new to report.

Social: Another success. The progressive dinner had 66 guests with 10 host houses. The total cost was \$92.10. A wonderful time was had by all. (Sue Seeley)

The Spring Dinner is coming please sign up. Forms are on the website.

Town Watch: Nothing new to report. (Jay Gilfillan)

Tractor: Nothing new to report.

Old Business: We have talked to Gordon Osborne and we are waiting to hear from Slip Committee members for dates to have a meeting.

Saturday morning duty list will be upcoming when the weather warms up. A bulletin board to post tasks that need doing would be posted in the maintenance building. There would be a volunteer to help coordinate the duties at the library.

The below letter was sent to MDF Enterprises, LLC regarding the project on the corner of Basin Lane and Turkey Point Road.

February 19, 2004

Tim McGill
MDF Enterprises, LLC
8 Rollins Drive
North East, Maryland 21091

Re: 5408 Turkey Point Road
North East, Maryland 21091

Dear Tim:

Notice is given herewith that the project at the above referenced address has not been constructed in accordance with plans received on 11/08/04 which plans were approved by the CICA Board of Directors on 11/14/03. The scope of the variance is the construction of a door and deck/balcony in lieu of a window above the second floor on the west elevation.

Please take remedial action to restore the improvements to conform to approved plans. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Barry Miller, Chairman
Architectural Review Committee

Michael L. Szep, President
Board of Directors

cc: County of Cecil
Permits and Inspections Dept.
129 E. Main Street (Courthouse)
Elkton, MD 21921

Directors of CICA, Inc.

New Business: The Board has been approached by several concerned neighbors in the community at quite a few different occasions regarding two issues: 1) unleashed dogs and 2) walked dogs who are not being pick up after. Dogs walkers please bring bags with you on walks. Your neighbors would appreciate your collecting the dogs' droppings and placing them in an appropriate receptacle. No one wants someone's dogs' droppings left on their lawn.

Please leash your dogs when outdoors. Remember to be courteous to your neighbor, not everyone is comfortable with unleashed dogs. This also poses a risk to those with dogs on a leash; not every dog is friendly towards other dogs (or people)!

Dave Byler is doing research regarding the regulations on pets in Cecil County. His findings will be in the upcoming newsletter

Harry Hite is heading a committee for community preparedness. There is a course that requires 21 hour training for certification. Harry needs 12-20 volunteers. Right now the time frame is Saturdays or 2-1/2 – 3 hours on week nights for a cumulative of the required 21 hours. Dates will be set when volunteers are garnered. Harry is looking into CPR/EMT training from the fire department. Harry is also getting information on the AED unit, which requires training as well. The price for this equipment is \$2,500. Loans, grants and other opportunities are being researched.

Ken Knapp has volunteered to head a Nominating Committee that is needed for the members of the Board whose terms are expiring this year. The following have terms that will expire: Jim Abel; Rob Green (6 years); Ward Keever and Vern Orondorff.

4th of July Committee – Ginny Cobley will be calling a meeting for this event shortly (**meeting will be May 18 at 7 PM at Ginny's home**). We need volunteers for this wonderful annual community event.

Miscellaneous Concerns: Unlicensed cars and unlicensed drivers. CICA does not have the authority, but County does regarding unlicensed cars and unlicensed drivers. Please keep the Board apprised of any concerns, but you can also let the County know as well.

Budget – Rob will be putting something out to get ready for next year. Please have all response back by 3rd week in April.

Next meeting – first week in May 5th at 7:00 p.m.

Motion was made by Ward Keever and seconded by Jim Able to adjourn the meeting that was passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet McKenna, Secretary

cc: Committee Chairperson
Elk Neck Park Rangers