

## BAYBERRY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

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MINUTES - BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
March 4, 2018 7pm United Church Of Christ

- THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER by Tim Scott at 7:10pm
- **Present were:** Tim Scott, Judy McVity, Rachel Thomases, Mike Salamone, Kristine Davoli, Gail Clarke, Mary Eidt, Bob Stella, Debbie Countryman, George Ball, Joanne Stella, Jim and Kim Desimone, Louise Benfey, Mike and Sheree Banks, Erin and Ryan Vollmer, Chris Cox
- FEBRUARY MINUTES APPROVED motion: George Ball, second: Bob Stella
- ANNOUNCEMENTS
  - Resident Representatives are needed to deliver monthly Bayberry Association Newsletters 9 times a year in each of the following Bayberry Community neighborhoods :
    - Area L (41 Homes) Meadow River & River Park Drives
    - General volunteers to cover areas without a rep or when regular reps can't.
  - We still need a secretary and a treasurer - Kathy Boyer has decided against pursuing this position.
- CALL FOR CANDIDATES
- TREASURER'S REPORT APPROVED motion: Sheree Banks second: George Ball
- TOWN AFFAIRS presented by Mike Banks (attached)
- SCHOOL AFFAIRS presented by Mary Eidt (attached)
- CALL FOR CANDIDATES
  - all officer positions may be contested at May meeting: President, 1st VP, 2nd VP, Treasurer, Secretary
  - Candidates should put their names forward as soon as possible so we can help them campaign.
  - Nominations committee consists of - Mary Eidt and George Ball
  - No one expressed interest in becoming an officer at this meeting (3/4/2018)
- CALL FOR FORMATION OF NEEDED AD HOC COMMITTEES
  - Dues collection committee - Judy McVity will lead and Bob Stella will help train - no one stepped forward to help out.
  - Volunteer recruitment committee - no one stepped forward to help out.
- APPROVAL REQUEST
  - APPROVED - Easter Egg Hunt - the purchase of 48 shirts at approx. \$6 was approved (\$288) George Ball will take care of. motion: George Ball second: Mary Eidt
  - APPROVED - 2 giant checks for presentation of BCA scholarships - cost was estimated at \$15 each. (Tim has investigated and we are looking at \$30-45 each. Motion: Bob Stella second: Mike Salamone
  - APPROVED - Spring social budget has been increased to \$600 motion: Mary Eidt second: Gail Clarke
  - Tim proposed that a blanket approval with email confirmation for a new insurer. It was decided there were too many moving parts and this should not be rushed. Tim agrees.
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- DISCUSSION
  - **Police pursuit** in Bayberry the other day - Apparently a couple people from Syracuse were trying to break into a local business and, when surprised by police, fled into the Bayberry neighborhood where they were pursued by police including the Air One helicopter and canine units.
  - **Break in on Jonquil** near Blueberry - Jim Desimone who observed and reported the break-in briefed us on what took place. Apparently there are 2 houses next to each other that are both

rentals and have become a source of concern to nearby resident. When the alarm was raised the suspect took off but then came back later whereupon he was arrested by police. It appears it was his 3rd felony.

- o **Reckless Minibike races** on Quail and Oriole were discussed. Apparently this has been a persistent problem. This is illegal and should be reported to the Onondaga Sheriff's Department.
- o Mike Banks presented on a **home security product** he uses called a Ring (brand name) doorbell camera that connects to smartphones. Residents could get a group discount if they ordered together.
- o APPROVED Placing a **newsletter insert** listing the exhibitors at the Home Improvement Fair - It was decided individual exhibitors could be listed with specified details but that we don't want to make it look like an advertisement. Also cost would be distributed equally among all participants and none would be featured above any others since this option has not been offered to all exhibitors. Concern was expressed that the insert will not reach residents in time. (Tim is in discussion with Tami (newsletter editor) on accelerating the April newsletter so it is ready to press almost immediately after the April board meeting.) motion: Sheree Banks second: George Ball
- o The issue of **abandoned homes** was discussed. Mike Banks is checking into 12 Dove. The idea of generating a list was discussed. Mike Banks recommended that it would not be a good idea to do so. Tim's feeling was that there was general support for the idea and what people didn't want was a list of "problem homes". (Tim proceed to produce and publish a survey, this caused immediate controversy and it has been pulled with a statement released to explain the intent)
- **UPDATES AND REPORTS**
  - o Infrastructure committee - There is a spreadsheet on the association Google Drive with road damage that was reported including some pictures. Gail has been given the go-ahead to report this damage to the town. Illegal signage - Bob Stella has removed illegal signage except for Seneca River South little league baseball poster. He did email them to let them know that how they are posting is against town ordinances.
  - o February Movie Showing - BCA provided hot chocolate and popcorn. Great movie, good support from BCA regulars, not many takers. Some gloves were donated. Will do March showing since already committed to. Will have to consider whether this is really of interest to our community for next year. (March showing had same results)
  - o Insurance issue - We received the following from our current agent, Barb Height at Haylor, Freyer and Co. (the underwriter is Travelers)
    1. Regarding coverage for volunteers – Volunteers are considered employees and should be covered under the Worker's Compensation Policy. Please see CG0001, under definitions.
    2. There is no coverage for directors or officers on this policy. They would need a separate directors and officers policy.
    3. If you are planning to have a special event, the company would need the following information for each event to see if they would cover and if there would be a charge and how much. (followed by long list of details we would need to provide for each event.
  - o Search for new insurance carrier - In light of general dissatisfaction with service from our current agent and the policy not providing all the coverage we need, we have reached out to InFocus and OneGroup for quotes. OneGroup is the company Stacey Schloop works for and she personally recommended Rina Corigliano-Hart to speak to. Tim spoke to her and she is currently looking for a plan that will better fit our needs. She struck Tim as extremely competent and will to help. We will seek also seek a quote from New York Life.
  - o APPROVED to be publicized and voted on in April. Motion: Mary Eidt Second: George Ball

#### NEW BOARD STRUCTURE

**Board of Directors: (22 if we had all positions filled)**

-Officers (5)

-Operating Team - Media, newsletter distribution, newsletter editor, town affairs, school affairs, welcome, historian, events coordinator, infrastructure, communication director, membership coordinator (when we have one) (11)

-Variable number of at large board members (target of 6)

### **Rules of Voting**

Minimum of 7 of eligible votes must be cast. Votes are carried by simple majority.

Each individual carries one vote regardless of number of voting positions held.

Email decisions - 72 hours to respond

### **Initial Appointment**

Appointment by vote of all present at a meeting. Nomination can be posted online at least 2 weeks prior and residents can come in and vote if they would like.

- o Laser printer has been purchased and is working well (used to print handouts for this meeting)
- o Survey for best BCA meeting time - Rachel still working on this.

### **EVENTS**

- o 3/10 Family Movie Nights in collaboration with UCC- Kathy Boyer / Tim Scott Bring your kids and grandkids!
- o 3/10 Winter photo contest - Tim Scott / Chris Cox Send in your pics!
- o 3/10 9am Bagelicious - Easter Egg Volunteer meeting. Come join us!
- o 3/31 10am Easter Egg Hunt at Wetzel Rd Elementary (Volunteers please be there at 9am!) - Tim
- o 4/8 Board Meeting - official nomination of candidates
- o 4/14 3-5pm Spring Social - Rachel Thomases / Judy McVity / Chris Cox / Tim Scott
- o 4/15 Scholarship Applications Due - Elizabeth Geoghegan. Rachel, Tim and Elizabeth met with manager Theresa at Edge FCU. We still have their full support and they will come to present their scholarship check at the June meeting. They will write their own check but the candidate does NOT need to fill out their application. Our recommendation will suffice.
- o 4/21 Earth Day - Bob has provided updated blurb for newsletter
- o 4/21 12-4pm Home Improvement Fair - Rachel Thomases
- o 4/24 2pm Egg stuffing party at BCA
- o 5/6 Annual Membership Meeting / Election of officers
- o 5/19 Spring Garage Sale - Tim thinks we should advertise in Post Standard this year, Craig's List, New Times. (Print and Online) (Debbie Countryman is checking on price of advertising on Post Standard and Liverpool Start Review, Tim has put in our request to have it advertised on the Bayberry marquee)
- o 5/20 (Sunday morning) Spring planting - Chris Cox. George Ball
- o 6/3 Board Meeting, Awarding Scholarships - Edge will join us
- o Car Seat Safety Check? - Judy will check on Vito and will ask about this.
- o 8/1? (Wednesday evening) Picnic - Who will coordinate?
- NON-URGENT DISCUSSION - tabled
  - o Picnic- ditch it entirely for this year? Have it on a weeknight and keep it super simple like we used to? Have a rain day?
- No NEW BUSINESS
- MOTION TO ADJOURN - Gail Clarke second - George Ball

**NEXT MEETING WILL BE 4/8/18 7PM UCC**

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Scott

### **Town Affairs Report March 2018**

Farone & Sons Funeral Inc Funeral Home is waiting on a County traffic study to complete its site plan approval. The site is located at 4887 W. Taft Rd east of the Walgreens at Buckley Road. The site is 6 acres with a 10k sq ft facility. Drawings of the proposed building were well received by the planning board.

Store America on Morgan Road (east side across from Annex/Elem back driveway) is awaiting a traffic study from the County.

Both projects on Rt 31--Widewaters and Laker Development are working site plan changes.

In preliminary stages is a possible Abbott's Frozen Custard site on Wetzel Road near Liverpool High School.

Safety issues--after the recent unwanted activity in the Bayberry community I reached out to an international camera monitoring company and which has offered to give residents discounts up to \$62 per unit if ordered in quantity. Full details at meeting!

Mike Banks

### **SCHOOL AFFAIRS REPORT, MARCH 2018**

There are three openings for the Board of Education. Voting for candidates will be in May. Anyone wishing to run for an open seat must file petitions by April 15.

The Senior Citizen Formal Dinner Dance will be held on May 5 from 5 to 9. The cost is \$10 per person. Call 315-453-1234 by April 27 to reserve your spot.

Non-public school transportation requests are due April 1. Forms are available online or in the non-public schools.

Liverpool High School students are presenting the musical "Guys and Dolls" on March 22, 23, and 24.

The draft 2018-2019 school calendar is now online. If adopted, school will begin Thursday, September 6, 2018.

The proposed school budget was presented to the board by Dr. Potter at the February 26 meeting. The final version will be voted on by the board on April 16. Residents wishing to learn more or address concerns to the board have three school board meetings before that date: March 12, March 26, and April 2.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary K Eidt

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TREASURER'S REPORT

As of February 28, 2018

**Scholarship Fund—Business Savings**

Balance 1/31/18	\$ 1000.43
Deposit 2/12/18 (paypal)	\$4.41
Deposit 2/20/18	\$25.00
Dividend 2/28/18	\$0.12
Scholarship Fund Balance	<u>\$1029.96</u>

**Money Market Account**

Balance 1/31/18	\$14,316.57
Dividend 2/28/18	\$3.84
Money Market Fund Balance	<u>\$14,326.41</u>

**Business Checking—Operating Account**

Balance 1/31/18	\$1,545.39
Donation for Easter Egg Hunt	\$400.00
Deposit from Paypal	\$10.00
Deposit Redeemer Church Sponsor	\$200.00
Deposit Edward Jones Sponsor	\$200.00
Check to Phoenix Press 2/06/18	(\$282.00)
Check to UCC for April event	(\$15.00)
Bank card Wegmans - supplies for movie showing	(\$23.61)
Bank card Adobe Systems	(\$21.59)

Business Checking Balance \$2,013.19

Respectfully Submitted,  
Judy McVity