

College Park Village Association
Monthly Meeting Minutes
January 18, 2016

1. **The meeting was called to order** by President Stanley at 7:00 PM. , followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Other board members present were Secretary Marti Meerscheidt, Mike Larson, Steve LaMotta, Cherish Cahoon, Joel Barnes, Johanne Stanley and Larry Faith. Dave Mulberry was absent. Visitor present was Captain Rand Henderson of the MOCO Sheriff's Department. Also in attendance were regular contributors Deputy Jason Hopper and Village Liaison Peggy Krysiak. Deputy Hopper highlighted the December 24, 2015 arrest of two individuals associated with several crimes in the area. Of note are the 2015 totals of the Crime Reduction Unit: 495 cases assigned, 455 cases closed, \$128,080.00 in property recovered, 67 Felony arrests, 20 misdemeanor arrests, and 17 fires arms seized. Guest Rand Henderson announced his candidacy for Sherriff and provided us his extensive professional resume all of which reflected his service to and in The Woodlands.

2. **Resident Comments** – Mike Larson reported on nuisance street parking in Harpers Landing causing emergency vehicles to be unable to pass safely due to parking on both sides of the narrow streets. There are no covenants regarding street parking. Discussion followed on appropriate direction; whether that be seeking signage allowing parking on one side only and obtained through the Commissioners Court or by advising residents to contact non- emergency law enforcement to report to the area during times when residents note concern. Both avenues will be pursued with the concern initially reported in the March Woodlands news magazine and asking residents to use common sense when parking.

3. **Township Report** – Peggy highlighted items of interest at The Woodlands Township December meeting which is available on The Township web site. Highlights were the cultural arts proposal and consideration of changes in the Park and Ride fees.

4. **Village Liaison Report** – Peggy noted she will have a Good Neighbor day on February 28 on Ramwind Court with time TBA. She noted that a proposal has been made to seek permission from the Township Board to go back to the August NNO parties noting that there can be more participation if they are held in the summer before school starts rather than in October which has been done in the last two years. The EXPO will still take place in October but at Rob Fleming since Northshore is scheduled to be under renovation.

5. **Administrative Council Reports**

Presentation of Minutes – Minutes of the November 16, 2015 meeting were approved with a motion made by Mike Larsen and seconded by Johanne Stanley.

Treasurers Report – there was none but with President Stanley noting the only expense since the November meeting being the volunteer recognition at Crescent Moon.

Parks and Recreation Advisory - Marti reported on the new parks and pathway maintenance contract with Brinkman. The goal of the contract is to maintain the parks and pathways system in world class conditions. The new contract identifies standards of care to be maintained. Marti also urged board members to take the online survey for Bicycle & Pedestrian mobility which is available on the Township web site through the end of January.

Law Enforcement – no report

Transportation & Mobility - Bicycle and Pedestrian Mobility public meeting will be on January 19, 2016 at the Township.

6. Village Activities

a. Village Elections – Ted handed out candidate registration forms to all board members interested in filing again for CPVA. He noted that there was one other resident to date who had filed. Also on the ballot will be choices for both Treasurer and Vice President. Should all races go uncontested then a formal ballot will not be required for voters. Deadline for filing is January 21, 2016.

b. Spring Fling will be in May in accordance with the posted pool openings. It will be discussed at length at a future meeting.

c. Water Wise Challenge – Peggy provided challenge forms and board members signed up for the challenge. We promised to invite neighbors to join in the village competition. Marti will deliver the challenges filled out at the meeting to the Environmental Services. Last year we received funds and came in second of all villages.

d. Spring Flea Market – Larry will notify us when it is scheduled.

e. Sunday in the Park – will be in April. There was mention about having it closer to Easter. It will be discussed at the March Annual meeting.

7. Other Village Business

a. Scholarship – there was a healthy discussion about the distribution of our scholarship money and with both Mike and Marti presenting the possibility of adding teacher grants for classroom supplies. A motion was made by Johanne Stanley and seconded by Mike Larsen to offer two student scholarships of \$1000 each. Steve LaMotta amended the motion to offer three scholarships of \$1000. Johanne and Mike accepted the amendment and the vote passed unanimously by the board. It was agreed to table the discussion about teacher grants until Marti is able to get some details from CCVA which runs such a program. But there was consensus that we were interested in offering a total of \$1000 this year towards classroom grants to local elementary and intermediate schools who serve our population. Our current scholarship committee is Mike, Steve and Dave. Mike will forward applications to the local high schools and post it on the web site. There have been inquiries and it has been noted in the past 2 Woodlands News Magazine articles.

b. By Laws Review – Ted directed the board to section 6.01 of our bylaws and read the requirement. He gave us a history of this bylaw change and noted that given the current status of CPVA that the bylaw, in his opinion, is outdated. He asked us to consider changing the requirement that any officer must serve on the board at least 2 years before seeking an officer position. There was consensus that the two year requirement could be dropped but everyone is to consider if we want to put any requirements on any of the officer positions. We will discuss at a later date and after the current election process so that the new bylaw can be in place prior to the next election.

c. T-shirt – Mike presented that the logo voted on and approved this past year was not producing well on the shirts we selected. Ted suggested and all agreed that the graphic was not a critical factor but getting the shirts was. Mike is to proceed with the shirts as voted on but without the graphic.

d. Annual transition meeting will be on March 21, 2016. At this meeting we will seat our new board and President Stanley will facilitate appointments to committees and councils. Dinner will be provided so come early @ 6:30. The meeting will start promptly at 7:00PM.

8. **Other business** – Ted will be walking the entrance to Harpers Landing with Eric Hird - post construction. The purpose will be to identify post construction conditions that still need attention. It was noted that there may be a request for some “unsightly” downed tree removal.

9. **Resident comments** – Steve LaMotta asked what can be done about the displaced deer now that the construction in Shenandoah is peaking. Perhaps he can speak to someone from Jones State Forrest. That we know of, there is no relocation program for displaced deer. Marti suggested she will make a

note of mentioning in the newsmagazine for folks to be on the lookout for both their own safety and that of the displaced deer. She will address the resident comment made previously by mentioning in the newsmagazine that residents use common sense when parking on narrow streets.

10. **Board member comments** – see above

11. **Adjourn at 8:59**

*Submitted by M. Meerscheidt,
CPVA Secretary*