

College Park Village Association  
Annual Meeting Minutes  
March 20, 2017

1) **President Ted Stanley called the meeting to order** at 7:00 P.M. Members present were Marti Meerscheidt, Johanne Stanley, Joel Barnes, Jake Miller, Kenneth Morris and Steve LaMotta. Members absent were Dave Mulberry and Mike Larson. President Stanley noted that he has not heard from newly elected board member Kevin Stanosheck who was also absent. **MCSO Officers report:** Deputy Jason Hopper provided statistics showing very low instances of stolen vehicles in our community with only 52 for the year 2016. We learn that crimes in The Woodlands are often crimes of opportunity. In almost half the instances the vehicle is recovered. Pockets of crime are found around more heavily designated commercial areas. In College Park 83% of reported stolen vehicles (12 total) happened in commercial areas including Walmart, St. Lukes and car dealerships. Deputy Hopper advised us that he has taken a position with the Sheriff's Department at their training facility and will no longer be at our meetings.

2) **Resident Comments:** none

3) **Township Report:** Village Liaison, Peggy Krysiak, highlighted Township news and noted that steps are being taken in consideration of incorporation. The full Township Board of Directors report is available on the Township web site.

4) **Village Liaison Report:** Peggy reported on upcoming Safety Awareness Days in Harper's Landing and the Safety at Home Seminar to be held at Windsor Hills. Fliers and hand outs were provided with calendars and dates.

5) **Treasurer's Report:** Ted reviewed the new format and spreadsheet showing seven distinct expense categories and five activity categories. He entertained questions from the board members. Township has awarded College Park our 2016 stipend. We are waiting on Township approval for retroactive receipt of the 2015 Village Association stipend.

6) **Presentation of the Minutes:** February Minutes were approved by a motion made by Ken and seconded by Jake. Ted Stanley and Johanne Stanely abstained.

7) Being there were no new members present, we dispensed with having a **History of College Park Village.**

8) **Unfinished Business:**

a) **Spring Flea Market, March 18:** Low turnout with 90 stalls sold. There continues to be discussion about the advertising for the event. Also discussion about having more pre-ticket sales, more weekend sales, discounts for early purchases and changing the venue to allow us time to select date ahead of time. We continue to be hampered by short notification of availability of the parking garage.

b) **Earth Day Green Up, March 25:** Volunteers are needed to work. Information will be posted on our web site. We need 70 volunteers or 1% of our Village population. Last year we had only 31 College Park Volunteers. Ted and Johanne will host the sign up and check in at Harper's Landing that morning.

c) **Spring Poolooza, May 20:** Johanne has begun planning. Marti has contacted Ambassador and ROTC sponsors at TWCPHS for volunteers.

d) **Sundae in the Park, April 9:** Steve will contact Baskin Robbins for ice cream and Costco may provide the pizza. We may have to pay rental for the Pavilion and to be certain its bug free. It was recommended that Steve submit a resident service request to have the Pavilion treated for ants and maybe save the \$25.00 rental fee. Would like to have it power washed but the sidewalk is not part of that. Steve asked for new signage which should be covered in the Sundae budget.

e) **Scholarship Applications:** none to date and with April 14 deadline.

f) **Other unfinished business:** Marti noted that web site has not been updated in quite a while. Photos are from 2012. Last minutes posted are from February 2016. By laws are dated 2009. Ted asked that everyone

take time to look at the web site and be prepared to discuss at the meeting next month. Our web administrator is to be at our April meeting.

**9) New Business:**

a) **Activities Review:** We reviewed and update the calendar of events and activities for 2017- 2018. A discussion took place about the low attendance at the June meeting last year. At this time it is not prudent to cancel a June meeting since we already do not hold a December meeting. Fourth of July was also a hot topic for discussion. The consensus is that it is not time to discontinue our participation. Recommendations are to cut way back on the refreshments and to find a better location for the viewing tent for this year. There was some discussion about the trend towards commercialization of the parade. Ted will send out the 2017-2018 calendar we discussed to all board members.

b) **Committee Discussion:** Committees and appointments will be as follows:

- Audit: Dave, Ted, and Jake
- Civic: Ken
- Communications: Mike and Ken
- Social: Joel, Johanne and Steve
- Scholarship: Mike, Jake and Dave
- Law Enforcement: Ted (meeting 1 X a quarter)
- PARAD Advisory: Marti (meetings every first Monday)
- Mobility: currently no ongoing meetings and so appointment was left open
- Village Officers: currently no ongoing meetings and so appointment was left open
- Parliamentarian: Ken (Ken asked for an updated copy of bylaws)

c) **Budget Discussion:** Questions answered about restricted and unrestricted funds. Variances can be discussed and approved on an as needed basis. The 2017-2018 budget, as presented by President Stanley was unanimously approved with a motion by Marti and seconded by Ken.

e) **Other new business:** As noted earlier Ted directed all board members to please review the web site and be prepared to discuss at next meeting. We also discussed the importance of using our major events; those being the **Poolooza** and Spooktacular, as our best means to reach out to large numbers of our residents. How to best communicate with residents continues to be a topic of discussion.

**10) Resident Comments:** none

**11) Board Member Comments:** Ted will mail our form 990 for tax exempt status.

**12) State of the Village:** Ted reported on residential statistics for College Pak and the breakdown of residents by sections. We have 5,084 residents living in single dwelling homes and 2,881 apartment dwellers. Grogan's Forest has 372 homes. Harper's Landing has 1,278 homes and Windsor Hills has 423 homes.

**13) Adjourned:** 9:45 P.M.