

Merrymount Board Meeting  
Summary of Minutes  
6/9/15

Patty called the meeting to order at 2:05pm. In attendance were: Patty McHenry, Todd Schultz, Denise Buckner, Doug Sobey, and Diana Munsch

Carryover items from last meeting:

**Security Cameras:** The Board discussed the efforts being made to consult with security specialists and local law enforcement to devise the best plan for placement of security cameras. Estimates are being obtained and research is being done to provide the necessary coverage and stay within the budget.

**Neighborhood Watch:** Patty as the Watch Coordinator will contact the Sheriff's dept. again to request an officer present information on successful techniques for a Neighborhood Watch program. Doug Sobey requested this as not everyone is aware of how the program should work. Doug has offered to host the event and it will be announced when scheduled. Block Captains and interested parties should attend. We are in need of two more full-time residents to volunteer to be Block Captains.

**Budget:** Monies will be allocated as voted on at the Annual Meeting to pay for the Security Cameras and the HOA Annual Membership for the Lake Gaston Association. Denise is working on updating the Budget information and it will be posted on the Merrymount Website.

Todd suggested that in the future we have a "Chairman's Category 1" contingency emergency fund. It was approved in the past that the Board could use up to \$5000 for such a fund, but money was never allocated for this. We would need to add a line-item in the budget for

such an emergency fund. It would roll over from year to year. This will have to be built into the budget for next year.

**Proposal for Semi-annual Board Meeting:** Denise proposed we consider adding a second Board Meeting in the Fall due to the large amount of business that needs to be discussed and voted on. It is difficult to wait an entire year to complete projects.

**Survey for Pavilion area:** Denise is attending the ARC meeting this evening to develop ideas that will be incorporated into a survey for the membership re: improvements to the pavilion area. Once a letter has been drafted by the ARC, the Board will distribute the letter to the membership. Based on the response from the membership, a survey will be developed with cost estimates. This survey will be sent out by the secretary and due back to Denise by 9/1/15.

**Disclaimer on emails:** any email not sanctioned by the Board but distributed to the Association as a courtesy will have the following disclaimer added to the end of the email: (Merrymount transmits the emails as a service to its residents, but in no way is associated with the events, items or views expressed in the email and takes no responsibility for them).

Diana volunteered to be the liaison to the attorney in place of Nan Wampler.

Denise and Diana will draft letters formally documenting new board members and secretary for Carter's Bank and First Citizens Bank and Trust. Rich Heycock may be able to notarize all signatures. This will be explored.

Once the budget is finalized by Denise it will go into the New Owners Packet. All Board members are to receive a New Owners Packet as soon as it is available.

**Hydrilla Spraying:** Todd is going to be assisted by Jim Sabo, Jim Collins, and Diana Munsch to work on a comprehensive plan for hydrilla treatment. A representative from NC State will be enlisted to guide us in this process.

**Election of Officers:** Diana motioned that Patty remain Chair for another year, Denise seconded, motion carried. Patty moved that Todd be named Co-Chair, Denise seconded, motion carried.

August 25, 2015 @ 9:30am designated date and time of next Board meeting @ Pattys house.

Meeting adjourned at 3:30pm.

Respectfully submitted, Diana Munsch, secretary