

Minutes of Merrymount Board of Directors Meeting – March 20, 2018

The Merrymount Board of Directors met at 10am on March 20, 2018 at Doug Sobey's house. In attendance were Doug Sobey, Chair; Diana Munsch, Vice-Chair; Lisa Handy, Director; Rich Heycock, Director; Denise Buckner, Director and Treasurer and Margie Skidmore, Secretary. Guests: Bill McCall, Patty McHenry and Wilma Poole. Doug called the meeting to order.

The minutes of the January 3, 2018 were approved unanimously as received.

Doug shared a copy of another subdivision's handbook for new owners and indicated Merrymount would start using this format after current supplies are used. Laura Collins will assume responsibility for the project.

Doug read a complimentary email from John Glenn, new home builder who stated he had no problems with the Merrymount ARC process when he submitted his plans.

COMMITTEE UPDATES

ARC – Wilma Poole's written report indicated the following information:

1. Suggestion for changes in the **Guide for New Property Owner (See Attachment A)**
2. **Architectural Review Check List for New Construction (See Attachment B)** Approved Unanimously by the Board.
3. Lot 10 has been given final approval; Lot 61 waiting for warm weather to complete landscaping project; Lot 46 waiting for warm weather before starting landscape project; Lot 91 installation of pool project not started; Lot 17 temporary ramp installed.

AUDIT - No report

PLANNING – Bill McCall

Bill reported future plans of building a fire pit and patio for the pavilion and clearing and grading of the trailer lot. Preliminary estimates have been received. Additional discussion by the board is needed at the next meeting.

ROAD -Written report by Debbie Ortiz

Debbie's report discussed the possibility of the State of Virginia taking over Merrymount roads. This item will be on the agenda for the annual Merrymount meeting.

Doug will ask Debbie Ortiz to survey our roads to determine what maintenance is needed due to the extremely wet/snowy winter.

SOCIAL - Holly Whitt is the new chair, with Pam Rock and Lee Guins also serving on the committee. Doug will discuss with Holly future plans of the social committee.

Wilma asked that updates to the web site be made when there are changes in committee members and chairs, by-laws or covenants.

OLD BUSINESS

Ditch digging of the identified property culverts: **Richie will follow up with Tracy Perkinson who was awarded the bid last year to determine when he plans to start.**

A second quote for mowing the front between regular mowing has been received in the amount of \$30.

With Harvey Powers moving from Merrymount, Jim Handy has agreed to be the new webmaster. A meeting is planned for April 8th between Harvey, Jim and Lisa Handy for transfer of the information. Thanks to Harvey for his years of work on behalf of Merrymount and thanks to Jim for assuming the duties as the new webmaster.

NEW BUSINESS

Doug has contacted Bernard Proctor, District Engineer for Mecklenburg Field Office for Drinking Water in Danville, concerning the requirements for a second well for Merrymount. This process is ongoing with discussions with Aqua Virginia, Inc. **Diana will work on a letter to Aqua from Merrymount concerning their forthcoming hearings for a rate increase.**

Doug shared information concerning the road to the dumpster site on Paschall Road. He had requested to have the dump site paved but was informed that no Mecklenburg County dump site is paved. Andy Hargrove, Mecklenburg County Board of Supervisors member, indicated the county would make necessary changes to alleviate the entrance rough road surface and create a safer site.

Doug will attend a meeting of area HOA/POAs on April 5th at 6pm at Tanglewood Shores to discuss insurance and trespassers.

Debbie and Mike Ortiz have coordinated the Adopt-A-Highway clean-up program for 15 years and recently received recognition for their dedicated service to this program. Mike and Debbie are asked to continue as coordinators as forms to re-up for the program have been received.

There was general discussion of items to be included on the proxy vote/agenda for the annual meeting.

The Secretary announced she requests a replacement to assume the duties of MPOA Secretary. Thanks to her for 8 years of service to Merrymount.

The Secretary was instructed to send emails asking for volunteers for the Audit, Social and Road Committees.

There are two Merrymount Board positions that are at end of term, held by Doug Sobey and Diana Munsch, which are open for election for three year terms. **Interested individuals should notify the Secretary by April 23, with an accompanying history and why they wish to represent Merrymount.**

There was general discussion of the no wake zone concern expressed at the January meeting, with a motion passed to survey affected lots. As a result a survey concerning a no wake zone on Hawtree Creek will be sent to those home owners on Hawtree Creek with a return date of April 7, 2018.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Denise handed out the financial statement as of 3/20/18 and indicated that all assessments had been received, except one that is expected from a bank draft.

The date for the Annual Meeting is set for Saturday, June 2, 2018.

The next Board meeting will be Thursday, April 26th at 10am at Diana's house

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 pm

Margie Skidmore

MPOA Secretary