

AHCA Community Board Meeting MINUTES November 14, 2023 @ 7:30 PM Mount De Sales Bird Room AcademyHeightsMD.org

Called to Order at 7:39pm with President Joe Shinault presiding.

**Board members in attendance:** Joe Shinault, Rita Hall, Meg Dandy, Chris Waterman, Doug Kampe, Linda Barnes, Stephen Smith, Mary Cummings, Adrienne Vedeloff

Members absent: Christie Kearney, Cathy Plane

**Minutes:** from October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 approved.

**Community Outreach**: Officer Boone reported of two incidents, one regarding a protest and another regarding a shooting on Winters. Reminders that if you own a Kia, contact the dealership because these thefts are continuing. Thieves are only using a USB drive to start your cars. Holidays are coming up – PLEASE hide the Christmas presents you bought in your trunk where it cannot be seen. Thieves are looking in cars for bags of presents sitting in plain sight.

Treasurer's Report – Truist Bank checking balance is \$9,127.17. T. Rowe is \$21, 272.10.

## Committees:

## Architectural Committee -

Approved Applications: 1 application came in; Deck approved. Current Violations: 8 current violations (420 Academy, 5902 Edmondson, 6103 Northdale)

**Communication** – Newsletters will be sent out this weekend, November 18/19. Facebook at 508 members.

Welcome Committee –0 sold, 4 pending, 0 for sale. Welcome Packets on website.

Environmental Committee - no updates given

**Dues** –33% of the community have paid dues for 2023.

## Main Discussion

**Roof discussion** – Considering synthetic slate and continue to research and discuss this. Doug Kampe presented research and quotes from several large companies. There is not only an issue with the increasing cost of slate (current quotes for reputable companies is ~\$30,000 for a new roof, triple the cost from 15 years ago), but also the supply from quarries to get slates is

becoming less available. The belief is that the community needs other options for roof replacement than true slate. Jim Lerch shared examples of slate, synthetic and asphalt shingles that are also used in Rogers Forge. Board voted yes to making changes to the covenant. There will be a notice sent out to the community regarding these changes.

# Old Business

**Edmondson** – There are mixed messages regarding islands, a bike lane and crosswalks and whether there is funding or not. Will continue to readdress with local government.

Fall Yard Sale – rain beat us out both dates. Will try again for the spring.

AH Community Signs Repair/Replacement – Will look into replacing the slate sign.

**Food trucks** – this week had our last food trucks. We will not be continuing food trucks next year. We had a lot of truck cancelations. The Christian Temple Church food trucks will continue on Thursdays.

**Meetings** – Confirmed date changes with MDSA. November and January dates moved back to the second Tuesday of those months: 11/14/23, 1/9/24

**Shed Clarification** – change some verbiage to shed 80sq feet OR 8x10. We would like to change it to 80sq feet AND 8x10.

## New Business

## **2024 Board Nominations**

- President Joe Shinault
- Vice President Rita Hall
- Treasurer Chris Waterman
- Secretary Meg Dandy
- 5 Board of Governors Christie Kearney, Linda Barnes, Douge Kampe, Adrienne Vedeloff, Tim Jarrett

## Open Forum:

**Baltimore County Grant Opportunities** – Community member noted there is a list of grants that are available for the community.

**Lights on at Night** - In next Newsletter can we remind people to keep lights on at night to deter thieves.

General Concerns - Complaints regarding lack of parking

Next Meeting: Tuesday, December 5<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30pm Adjourned at 8:30pm. Recorded by Meg Dandy