



Freemason Street Area Association

April 15, 2015
Harbour Place Condominium
Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting Called to Order by Jack Kavanaugh at 7:00 pm

Roll Call – members present: Jack Kavanaugh, Betty O’Garr, Ginger Van de Water, Shirley Ward, Marie Torrans, Greta Gustavson, Buster Wilson, Jennifer Cordovana, Harold Protsman, Madeline Sly, Spencer Darrow and Jeff Brown.

Members sending regrets: Les Friedman, Sarah Whiting, Jerry Roth

Secretary’s Report:

Minutes from the March General Membership meeting were posted on the website prior to this meeting and no changes were made. Motion to file the Secretary’s report was made, seconded and passed.

Treasurer’s Report:

Shirley Ward reported a balance of \$2,524.22 . Our membership currently consists of 81 individuals, 11 businesses and 8 condos. Tazewell Place dues were paid by their association president, Bill Sanford, but there is still no representative assigned to the Board. Those not paying are Tazewell Place and Jamestown.

The Newsletter deadline is 1 May.

Committee Reports:

Home and Garden Tour: Greta Gustavson stated

- the number of tickets sold is unknown
- the funds from the event go for the restoration and maintenance of our historic homes
- temporary parking passes for visitors and workers will be available
- shuttle service will be available from the Chrysler Museum to various points
- Norfolk tour date is April 23rd, 10 to 5
- Virginia Beach tour date is the April 22, 10 to 5

Pagoda: Madeline Sly stated

- the Pagoda reopened in April with a new menu and will be providing box lunches for the Home & Garden Tour.
- the Memorial Day celebration is set for May 24th, Steve Daley will play, cost \$15.00.
- the need for members to go to the Pagoda Facebook page and TRIPADVISOR to post positive comments
- she was not sure if the Board had approved to continue the \$150 annual donation to the Pagoda. The March minutes were reviewed and confirmed the Board’s approval to do so.
- she has requested for the city to do some yard maintenance at the Pagoda and at the Wisconsin Memorial.

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Nominating Committee: Greta Gustavson stated

- she, Michael McCartney and Linwood Becker (non-Board member) will be develop a slate of candidates for submission to the Board at the annual membership meeting in May.
- the following board member's terms have expired and are up for reelection: Les Friedman, Gerry Roth, and Ginger Van De Water.
- There is also one vacancy due to Bill McKeever's resignation and the committee will need to determine if he previously served as the representative from the Historic district as per the by-laws. If so, a person living in the historic district will need to be elected.

Historic Oversight Committee: Harold Protsman stated

- restoration and repairs are in progress on Freemason Street
- a large amount of tree trimming will be taking place on Botetourt Street.
- the State Farm sign which previously had no COA was removed and replaced but there still remains some question as to whether it was approved

EARNN & Clean Up is scheduled for this coming Saturday, April 18th This will fall within the Great American Clean Up timeline and will be just before the Home and Garden tour.

General Membership Meeting: Jack Kavanaugh asked for suggestions for speakers for our next meeting on May 20th. The following were suggested:

- Buddy Godams: plans for new apartments downtown
- Cordish Co representative- plans for Waterside
- Steven Kirkland: plans for the Half Moon Cruise Terminal
- Audra McClellan: The School Board elections

Old Business:

Discussions continue regarding the Farm Fresh space on Boush Street but nothing definitive has been announced regarding the two-thirds TCC Culinary School and one-third grocery.

Board Member Announcements:

Marie Torrains reported that the replacement of the roofs at Archers Walk is nearing completion and brick masons will soon be working on the sidewalks on Yarmouth & Freemason. They have also offered to host the August FSAA Board Meeting again this year.

Spencer Darrow reported there had been some vandalism and spraying of graffiti at River Park and that 2 young men had been arrested. Of additional concern was the need to replace all the balconies in the complex due to the fact they did not meet safety codes. This was estimated to be a million dollar project for them.

Buster reported trees are to be planted on College Place.

Ginger reported the Junior League House is undergoing restoration.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15.

Betty O'Garr, Secretary

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