

BMCA General Meeting Minutes

Date/Time: Monday, 27 June 2011 / 7:30-9:00 PM

Location: Church of the Brethren

Minutes:

1. **Welcome and introductions:** Conducted by Boulevard Manor Civic Association (BMCA) President, Mr. Mike McComis.
2. **Approval of Minutes:** Copies of the 28 February 2011 BMCA General meeting minutes were made available to all attendees. In the future, they will be posted on the BMCA website for viewing as well. No comments or exceptions to the minutes as drafted were noted, and the motion to accept them as written was seconded and approved.
3. **Treasurer's Report (Rob Pilot):** The BMCA Treasurer provided a verbal and written Treasurer's report (with copies available for all present). His report (summarized below) was approved as submitted.

Beginning Balance as of January 1, 2011	\$ 5,743.49
Membership Dues/Donations Income (Y.T.D.)	\$ 2,320.00
<u>Membership Dues/Donations/Interest Income (Year-to-Date)</u>	<u>\$ 1.44</u>
Revenue balance as of 27 February 2011	\$ 8,064.93
<u>Expenses Year-to-Date</u>	<u>(\$ 804.07)</u>
Total Balance as of 27 February 2011	\$ 7,260.86

4. **Committee Reports:**
 - a. **Membership (Judy Norton):** Nothing significant to report.
 - b. **Hospitality (Claudia Maloney):**
 - i. 4th of July Ice Cream social is all set. BMCA has purchased 20 half gallons of ice cream, and the Church of the Brethren is donating 4 half gallons.
 - ii. There will be a non-sponsored 4th of July kid's parade up 4th street starting at 7:00 PM. All families are welcome to attend and are encouraged to dress up their bikes, wagons, strollers etc. in 4th of July patriotic colors.
 - iii. There is a tentative forth BMCA social event being planned for this year (pot luck social in the November time frame, possibly to be held at the Church of the Brethren meeting room). More details to follow as planning for this event develops.
 - c. **Neighborhood Conservation Plan (NCP) (Matt Doyle):**

- i. Reevesland: The County and the BMCA Reevesland Committee are working on a re-use plan for the Reevesland farm house. Most recently, the County has hired a firm to do an analysis of the house to determine what shape it is in and what would be needed to be done to make it useable to future occupants. The BMCA Board also had previously approved the submission of a project under the Arlington County NCP program to renovate the Reevesland house. This project, in the early project submission stage, is projected to cost approximately \$500K-\$750K, and will require considerable coordination with the County, Parks, and Historical staffs.
 - ii. Reevesland Garden Learning Garden: the gardens are now planted on the Reevesland property and continue to be a great success. Well done to Joan Horwitt for her enthusiastic efforts with this initiative!
 - iii. 4th Road, 1ST Street and Montague Ave. Traffic Calming Projects: The 1st Street traffic calming project has now been disapproved by the County, based mainly on new data they developed after previous data supported the traffic control measures. The 4th Road traffic calming and Montague Ave. traffic calming projects are ongoing. Physical work for the 4th Road project should start soon, and final designs and petitions for the Montague Ave. work are in progress. Actions and comments:
 - A BMCA member present strongly voiced his concern with the County's decision to not pursue traffic calming measures on 1ST Street. He reported that his cat was recently killed by traffic and that the speed of cars at and near the intersection of 1ST Street and Montague is still dangerously high.
 - A recommendation was made to invite a County Board member to our next general meeting to let them hear first hand our frustrations with the 1st Street issue.
 - It was also suggested that the drawings or schematics for the Montague Avenue modifications be posted on the BMCA website for all to see.
 - A BMCA member also mentioned that County officials tend to pay more attention to civic associations that have a higher rate of voting, and that BMCA's rate was low. *All were encouraged to "get out and vote."!!*
- d. Safety (Chuck Norton):
- i. Neighborhood 25 Initiative (Mike McComis): Program is, for all intensive purposes, non-sustainable and hence will not be pursued any longer.
 - ii. Crime Watch (Mike McComis): No significant crimes reported since last general meeting. Please keep alert and report any suspicious activity or persons.
- e. Parks (Phil Klingelhofer):
- i. Bluemont Park Playground: A very successful new Bluemont Park playground ribbon cutting ceremony was held on May 14. Thanks to all who helped with this project and with setting up the ribbon cutting ceremony and refreshments.
 - ii. Phil also mentioned that the new playground would be closed June 22-23 for some ongoing warranty repair work.
- f. Zoning (Dormant): Though this Committee is currently dormant, Mike did let all meeting attendees know about a recent issue that is going on with our neighboring civic association (Bluemont). It involves the potential redevelopment of the Safeway Store and vicinity near the intersection of Wilson Blvd and George Mason Blvd. Plans as significant as constructing a five to six story new commercial and higher density residential complex are being discussed. Though not occurring within the boundaries of

BMCA, this project could have significant impact on BMCA residents and hence will be followed closely as it develops.

5. Old Business:

- a. Annual BMCA Community Picnic: Tony Ermovick provided an update on the BMCA Annual Community Picnic. The date is set for Sunday, September 18, 2011, and will be held at the Upton Hill Regional Park, Cabana #1 (near the batting cages). Hot dogs, hamburgers, plates, utensils, and drinks will all be provided. Attendees are asked to bring a salad or desert. There will be plenty of kid's games, a trivial game, as well as a moon bounce obstacle course. More information will be promulgated by BMCA Listserv emails as well as a community flyer/newsletter once the date gets closer.

6. New Business:

- a. Babysitting During BMCA General Meetings: A suggestion from Ms. Carlin Schwartz to have BMCA provide babysitting services (paid for by BMCA) during General meetings was made. Details would be forthcoming, but a formal motion was made as follows:

Motion: To provide babysitting services, paid for my BMCA, during future General meetings. Details and specific plan implementation to be developed at a later date.

In favor: Unanimous *Opposed:* 0 Motion Carried

- b. Nominating Committee: A Nominating Committee was appointed and developed a proposed list of new candidates for new BMCA Officers and Board members (see attached). This proposal was presented for discussion and ratification. Discussion issues included the following:
 - a. All Officers or Board members must have paid their dues and be in good standing with the BMCA Constitution and Bylaws.
 - b. Board members who fail to attend at least 50% of Board meetings will be considered for removal from Board membership.

No specific changes to the BMCA Constitution or Bylaws were ratified.

Motion: To approve the Nominating Committee's slate of candidates for new BMCA Officer and Board member positions.

In favor: Unanimous *Opposed:* 0 Motion Carried

Congratulations to the new BMCA Officers and Board members, and much appreciation to those officers and members who have successfully served their terms!

7. Upcoming Meetings. The tentative schedule for the next BMCA General Meeting is as follows: October 17, 2011

8. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM

Next Meeting: October 17th, 2011

Respectfully submitted,

Tony Ermovick

BMCA Secretary

**Boulevard Manor Civic Association
Nominating Committee Slate of Candidates to Fill Board Positions**

The BMCA Nominating Committee presents the following candidates to fill a one-year term as a BMCA Officer commencing upon conclusion of the June 2011 meeting:

1. Mike McComis - President (N. 4th Street) (second one-year term)
2. Claudia Maloney – Vice President (N. 8th Street) (first one-year term)

The BMCA Nominating Committee presents the following candidates to fill a two-year term on the BMCA Board of Directors commencing upon conclusion of the June 2011 meeting:

1. Ryan McCoy (N. 4th St.)
2. Matt Smith (N. 3rd St.)
3. Anja Wells (N. Montague St.)
4. Phil Klingelhofer (N. 1st St.)
5. Steve Schwartz (N. 1st St.)

BMCA Officers Continuing Terms:

Secretary: Tony Ermovick (N. 1st St.)

Treasurer: Rob Pilot (N. 3rd St.)

BMCA Board of Directors Continuing Terms:

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Chris Braudy (N. Manchester St.)

Lee Dioso (N. Livingston St.)

Larry Goldschmidt (N. Livingston St.)

Lois Trumbull (N. 3rd St.)

David Bradsher (N. Livingston St.)*

Chuck Norton (N. 2nd St.)*

Ann Wilson (N. Lombardy St.)*

Molly Stevens (N. 4th St.)*

*Eligible for 2nd Term

Attachment (1)