

Minutes of Meeting of Board of Directors
of
Deerfield Village Property Owners' Association, Inc.

A meeting of the board of directors of Deerfield Village Property Owners' Association, Inc. was held at 7:00PM on February 7, 2023 at 49 Rolling Green Court Deerfield Village, Shepherdstown, WV. The following directors were present: Kirk Bottner, Debbie Crouse, Amy Hall, Mike Keefe, Janie McSwain, Bill Speg, Mike Vaeth, and Paul Wilmoth. Kirk Lattner was absent. Lindy Keefe, Pattie Wilmoth, and Bill Sturtevant also attended.

Pres. Mike Vaeth called the meeting to order at 7:00PM. The January minutes were approved as distributed.

During committee reports, Mike Keefe (Finance) suggested that next year's dues be increased as we have not been able to set aside as much this year since the dues remained the same. By email, Kirk Lattner (Website) reported that the website has been updated. Kirk Bottner (Rules & Policies) reported that he had not gotten any new issues. He will again visit a homeowner concerning a gazebo frame still in place on Lot 13 that needs to have a cover. The new speed signs and the email reminder seem to have helped with the speeding in the Village. Kirk will, however, investigate the cost of removable speed bumps for the April meeting. Bill Speg (Streets & Grounds) reported he has received a request for a new roof on Lot 32. The request was approved verification of the contractor's license.

During the reports of officers, Debbie (Vice Pres.) has finalized the electronic ballot for the March 1st Annual meeting at 7PM. She will be sending out the ballot as well as the zoom information prior to the meeting. Mike Keefe (Treas.) reported that all dues have been paid and we continue to be able to pay all bills.

Under Old Business, Phil Pittsnogle will be doing the road crack sealing and will alert us if the cost overruns his proposal so that the board can vote on the overage. Bill Sturtevant reported that the Spring BMP and the CommuniTree grants have been approved. The planting of the CommuniTrees will be on Saturday, April 22nd. The BMP trees will be delivered at that time for the individuals who purchased the trees. The mower will be picked up on Monday for the annual service by Arden Equipment. He hopes to get at least another year of service from the mower.

Under New Business, several homeowners/board members attended a public hearing concerning the sale of Jefferson Utilities to American Water. Mike Keefe spoke to the Public Service Commission of WV stating objections to the sale as it would raise our water rates by almost 50%. Kirk will also send a letter to the Commission on behalf of the Board.

Under Good and Welfare, the next meeting will be on the Annual Deerfield Village Meeting on Wednesday March 1, 2023 at 7PM via Zoom. Bill Speg was warmly thanked for all of his work as head of Streets and Grounds. He truly was an asset to the board and did a tremendous job as the chairman of Streets and Grounds. He will be missed. The next regular Board meeting will be on Tuesday, April 4, 7PM at Mike Keefe's home. There being no further business to come before the board, upon a motion made, seconded, and unanimously approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45PM.

Janie McSwain, Secretary