

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 7:00 PM on August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023 at 475 Deerfield Village Drive, Deerfield Village, Shepherdstown, WV. The following directors were present: Jason Blough, Debbie Crouse, Amy Hall, Kirk Lattner, Mike Keefe, Mike Vaeth and Paul Wilmoth. Kirk Bottner and Janie McSwain were absent. Pattie Wilmoth also attended the meeting and substituted as secretary to take the minutes.

President Mike Vaeth called the meeting to order. The June minutes that had been distributed electronically were approved.

During committee reports, Mike Keefe (Treasurer) presented the possibility of raising the annual dues to \$500 to assist in building up the funds for road re-pavement. After a group discussion, a motion was made and passed unanimously to allow Mike to prepare a budget based on annual dues of \$495. Paul asked Kirk Lattner (Website) if the changes had been made to the property improvement application form on the website to include the hours that construction work could start in the mornings. Debbie helped to review the minutes on the discussion the board had previously. After further discussion, a motion was made, seconded and unanimously carried that construction work in Deerfield Village should not begin before 7:00 AM Monday through Saturday and not before 9:00 on Sunday. Paul (Streets & Grounds) reported that he had received two applications for property improvements from Lot 2 for a retractable awning and for solar panels on the roof. Both have been approved. Paul also stated that he would send out a draft of the guidelines for installation of solar panels to be considered at the next meeting.

There was one officers' report in which Mike Keefe stated that our current drought had saved the village money that would have been spent on mowing by the contracted company and money that would have reimbursed residents for gas used to cut communal grass.

Under New Business, the board decided to not post "No Trespassing/Private Property" signs at this time after Pattie relayed a message from the deputy sheriff. He told Paul and her that "No Soliciting" signs gave them the authority or authorization to stop people who were doing so. The village does not have a problem with others entering or trespassing at this time. The board members had been sent a video to view before the meeting on methods of reducing the speed of drivers. After a lengthy discussion, they decided that painting lines that included a bike lane might be the most practical and effective method, but should be postponed until or reconsidered when new road work is completed.

The September 5<sup>th</sup> meeting will be at the home of Debbie Crouse.

There being no further business, upon a motion made, seconded and unanimously approved, the meeting was adjourned.

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Pattie Wilmoth, Substitute Secretary

