

# ***Timber Farms Civic Association***

## ***Board Meeting Minutes***

January 8, 2007

### **I. Call to order**

Bruce called to order the board meeting of the Timber Farms Civic Association at 7:00 p.m. on January 8, 2007 at 102 Woodland Road.

### **II. Roll call**

The following persons were present: Bruce Lipphardt, Len Taddei, Christine Verdi, Bob Oakes and Camille Dinon.

### **III. Changes to our by-laws**

- a. Bruce discussed a change in the by-laws within the next 6 months to include what to do in the event of a vacancy in the position of president.
- b. Also discussed was changing the amount specified for annual dues in the by-laws. Presently they state that the dues are \$20.00 annually. Bruce would like to take out that dollar amount and put in a more general description.
- c. District representation was discussed. Currently Timber Farms is a member of the 7/40 Alliance.

### **IV. TFCA web site**

- a. A website for Timber Farms is being created by Bruce with input from the board members.
- b. It was decided that photos of our events are fine as long as no names are listed on the website.
- c. Bruce is working on getting a summary of the deed restrictions posted on the website as well as the New Castle County code requirements.
- d. Also, copies of the newsletter as well as upcoming community events such as the Blue Rocks game will be posted on the website.

### **V. Annual TFCA dues request letter**

- a. The dues request letter will go out February 1<sup>st</sup> and will include a request for information regarding the ages of children in each household.
- b. There will also be a request for new ideas for neighborhood events/activities.

### **VI. Reactions to 56 homes**

- a. Discussion included getting a written agreement with the builder for improvements.

- b. The four concessions asked for include a row of trees existing homes, lights on the playground, a truck wash for construction vehicles exiting the work site and a specific representative from the builder who would have contact with the neighborhood.
- c. A suggestion was made to ask the builder for a donation to the Civic Association.

## **VII. Pet issues**

- Christine Verdi will write an article for the next newsletter (coming in February) regarding feral cats.
- Bruce will provide licensing information for pet owners also to be included in the next newsletter.

## **VIII. General issues**

- Christine Verdi said that she could reserve the cafeteria at Marshall School for our general meetings. The next one will be held in March 2007.
- It was agreed to keep to a minimum the number of e-mails that are going out to all residents from the civic association.
- Neighborhood watch program—one was started before but the level of commitment to keep it going was lacking and the program was not successful.
- NCC Civic League—we are not currently members. However, the civic association is a member of the 7/40 Alliance.
- Volunteers for social events are for the most part already in place. One person usually takes over the planning of each event and rounds up volunteers to help them. If new events are planned such as a welcome wagon, volunteers would be needed to head them.
- Bruce is working on gathering and archiving electronic copies of TFCA documents.

## **IX. Adjournment**

- Bruce adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Camille Dinon

Minutes approved by: Bruce Lipphardt