Timber Farms Civic Association

Board Meeting Minutes

February 10, 2009

I. Call to order

Bruce Lipphardt called to order the board meeting of the Timber Farms Civic Association at 7:00 p.m. on February 10, 2009 at 139 Woodland Road.

II. Roll call

The following board members were present: Bruce Lipphardt, Dave Frampton, Bob Oakes and Camille Dinon.

III. <u>Open issues</u>

- a) Membership dues: Dues have been raised to \$25.00 from \$20.00. Annual membership in 2008 was at 60%. In order to save money, only one letter regarding dues will be sent to residents who are long-term non-members.
- b) Solicitation issue: Information from the Maintenance Board and the New Castle County police has confirmed that there is no legal recourse for companies that solicit in the neighborhood despite the posted sign.
- c) 2009 events schedule:
 - Night at the Blue Rocks: tentatively set for a fireworks night in July.
 - Easter Egg Hunt: set for April 11, 2009.
 - Picnic: set for May 2, 2009 with a rain date of May 9, 2009.
 - Garage Sale: tentatively set for June 6, 2009. The Stillmocks will be planning this event.
 - Halloween parade: tentatively set for October 24, 2009 or October 25, 2009.
 - Christmas event: tentatively set for December 19, 2009.
 - Fall garage sale: It was decided that one garage sale a year is sufficient, therefore a fall garage sale will not be held.
- d) 2009 general meeting schedule:
 - 1st March 11, 2009 or April 1, 2009 depending on available rooms at Thurgood Marshall.
 - 2^{nd} June 24, 2009 at the playground
 - 3rd October 14, 2009 meeting for nominations for Vice-President and Treasurer positions.
 - 4th December 2, 2009 elections.
 - Bruce will add these dates to the website.
- e) Neighborhood picnic plans: The picnic will be held May 2, 2009. Elaine Little and Christine Verdi are organizing the event. In order to get more residents involved, subcommittees are being formed to help with games/contests, food, and drinks, etc. In order to get an attendance number ahead of time, tickets will be given out for free by Bob and Christine. The Police Canine unit will be there if possible to give a demonstration. Action items: electricity for inflatables (need to ask a resident), help with clean up, babysitting (good advertisement for neighborhood babysitters) and tents (waiting for estimate from Armorers).

f) Website: The website has been updated with meeting agendas, minutes and newsletters. Also, Bruce purchased the domain timberfarms.org for possible use by the maintenance association.

IV. <u>New business</u>

- a) Bruce will add a link on the website to the "Who Do I Ask?" chart. It was also mentioned that the maintenance association does not have e-mail addresses on the website. Also discussed was an idea for a generic e-mail address to replace the TimberFarmsCivic@aol.com address, possibly info@timberfarmscivic.org.
- b) At the next general meeting the civic association will be asking residents for ideas for other types of neighborhood activities including "adults only" activities.

V. Adjournment

Bruce adjourned the Civic Association meeting at 8:20 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Camille Dinon

Minutes approved by: