

# **Timber Farms Civic Association**

## **Combined General Meeting Minutes**

**October 23, 2013**

### **Call to order:**

Bruce Lipphardt called the meeting to order of the Timber Farms Civic Association at 7:05 p.m. on Wednesday, October 23, 2013 at the Thurgood Marshall School.

### **Roll Call:**

The following board members were present: Bruce Lipphardt, President, Dave Frampton, Vice President, Robert Oakes, Treasurer and Camille Dinon, Secretary. Also members of the Timber Farms Maintenance Association were present.

### **Approval of minutes from last meeting:**

Bruce Lipphardt struck this from the agenda in the interest of time due to the combined meeting with Timber Farms Maintenance Association.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Treasurer's report read by Bob Oakes. Total expenses YTD: \$3,837.75

### **Open Issues:**

Report on picnic (Sept. 7, 2013) given by Bruce and Tim Layman. Was the most well attended picnic in the history of TF.

Report on Halloween parade/costume contest - this Saturday at 3:30 pm (10/26/13)

Update on new home construction and construction traffic on Timber Wood Blvd. - constr traffic is supposed to use the designated entrance, Bruce thanked Dave F for his monitoring of the traffic coming and going. Bob - 3 homes under construction currently, discussed the # of homes planned for the next phase. Dave F. - monitoring constr traffic, co. has been ignoring constr entrance and using Timber Wood Blvd. Dick Armstrong (Capano) they have talked to him and he is willing to put up a sign at the entrance saying no constr traffic, use the other entrance. the builder has been fined at least 3 times. the county had him in for a hearing today (Dave Tackett). Dave T. - community is vigilant which is helping the situation along with burglaries etc.

Left-turn signal eastbound Old Baltimore Pike - Bryan Townsend has been asking for input from community. People are concerned with safety at the intersection. Accidents have not been due to this issue. 2 sides, safety vs. wait time. Bruce will put together a survey regarding this issue. DeIDOT has not mandated the green arrow. They are willing to do whatever we decide. The statistics do not mandate this action. Crash data did mandate the westbound dedicated turn signal. A resident mentioned that the turn lane is not very deep. Bruce will mention that to Bryan Townsend and have him look

into it. Another resident (Elaine) mentioned the length of the light seems to be much longer now. Should the timing be adjusted or equipment fixed? Another resident mentioned the traffic turning from Walther Road not stopping when the light turns red for them. Length of wait and u-turns in the neighborhood from traffic from Walther Road. Bryan has discussed this with DeIDOT, police monitoring is possible or green light for TF only and green light for Walther Road only. Bruce asked for e-mails about concerns from residents.

Nominations for VP and treasurer for 2014-2016 (2 year term)

VP - Dave F nominated and accepted, seconded by another resident

Treasurer - Bob was nominated and accepted, seconded by another resident

**New Business:**

Speed sign brought up by resident, a result of the survey for speed bumps, suggested by Rep. John Viola to reduce speed on Timber Wood Blvd. paid for by Rep Viola, was announced in newsletter in May; may put in a second sign for outbound traffic depending on feedback from residents. Bruce received some negative comments regarding a big brother mentality. Another resident mentioned that it seems to be effective...speeding has decreased. The device is not recording anything just registering the speed of that vehicle, solar powered and posts the speed limit which some drivers may not be aware of. **Resident - suggested possibility of newsletter article about slowing down.**

TFCA meeting adjourned and turned over to Dave Schneider at 7:35.

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Bob read Secretary's minutes from last meeting in Nov. 2013 (11/14/13)

amendments to by-laws were voted on  
rant by john kelahan - recorded