

**Shorewood Estates Civic Association (SECA)
Annual Meeting
February 12, 2022 at Galena Volunteer Fire Company**

Ed Oceanic called the Meeting to order at 9:01AM

Attendees: *Ed Oceanic, Don Ruth, Cindy Hamilton, Linda Gaydos, John Lytwynec, Joan Skloot, RoseMarie Tate, Chris & Tom Bowden, Tom Curtiss, Sueann Hall, Claire & Pete Hancock, Bill Irish, Linda & Fred Lint, Kathy Maisano, Elisia Moxley & Joe Leombrone, Bryan Matthews, Jim Pileggi, Greg Reed, Friedrich Schmidt, Barry Treftz*

Agenda Items:

- Introductions
- Treasurer's Report
- Membership Report
- Nominations and Election of Officers for 2022 Board of Directors
- Bylaws Amendment
- Shorewood Estates 2022 Budget
- Shorewood Estates 2022 Membership Dues
- Other Business
- New Business
- Slip Lottery Drawing

Introductions – Ed Oceanic

- SECA Board of Directors
 - Ed (2020), Don (2019), Cindy (2021), Linda (2015), John (2020), Joan (2021), RoseMarie (2020), Doug (2020)
- Attendees
- Honorable Mentions – THANKS to those who have contributed to our community over the past year
 - SECA Board for their many efforts and support
 - Tom Bowden, Friedrich Schmidt, Ed, Linda – Refurbished Storage Racks at Beach and Boat Dock areas
 - Jeff Russell, Don Ruth, John Lytwynec, Pete Hancock, Barry Treftz – Installed and decommissioned piling protectors and de-icer at Beach Dock and Boat Dock
 - Doug Uhl, Ed, Linda – Improved access area to airfield at Mallard Lane cul de sac
 - Andy Horsey – Mowed along Wilson Point Rd & Shorewood Rd throughout the season when the County didn't
 - Jeff Russell – Cleverly used his golf cart for 'polo' trash pick-up along Shorewood Rd and Wilson Point Rd throughout the year
 - Al & RoseMarie Tate – Created and manufactured 2021 Shorewood Estates stickers to identify residents' personal watercraft on the Storage Racks
 - Bob Hodge – Allowed access to Airfield and Brush Area, and provided general community support
 - Neighbor Volunteers – Continued assistance w/ Spring Clean-up

Treasurer's Report – Cindy Hamilton

- Current balances (as of 02/12/2022)
 - Checking \$333.97
 - Savings \$16,862.08
 - Total \$17,196.05
- THANKS to Claire Hancock for auditing our 2021 finances in January 2022 including Checking account/Savings account bank statements, check register, and receipts; All accounts were in order

Membership Report – Linda Gaydos

- Membership Dues were paid by 57 property owners and/or renters in 2021, that's 71% of available properties and 5 fewer than 2020 & 2019 (may be due to number of residents who moved in 2021)
- Members also contributed an additional \$1125 w/ their Dues; THANK YOU to all who joined and contributed, and for all of your volunteer efforts!

Nominations and Election of Officers for 2022 Board of Directors

- Returning Board Members – Ed Oceanic (President), Don Ruth (Vice President), Cindy Hamilton (Treasurer), Linda Gaydos (Secretary), and John Lytwynec, Joan Skloot, RoseMarie Tate, Doug Uhl (Member-at-Large)
- All present approved Board of Directors slate w/ show of hands, plus 3 Yes votes via e-mail proxy

Bylaws Amendment – Ed Oceanic

- SECA Board recommended a change to SECA Bylaws ARTICLE 6. BOARD OF DIRECTORS to increase the number of Members-at-Large from ‘up to four’ to ‘up to six’ in order to give more residents/property owners an opportunity to participate on the Board
- All present approved Bylaws change w/ show of hands, plus 3 Yes votes via e-mail proxy

Shorewood Estates 2022 Budget – Ed Oceanic

- 2022 Proposed Budget – similar to 2021
 - \$1025 increase primarily due to estimated Repairs & Maintenance and Enhancements line items
 - 2021 Actual was \$4592 *less* than planned
- Maintenance and Enhancements
 - Community Sign – New sign announcing community to replace wood sign that disappeared; Replace w/ nicer sign installed on Shorewood Rd between Ed’s house (1st house) and airfield; More permanent ‘flag style’ sign (single vertical mounting post w/ arm to hang sign and upcoming events under main sign); Construct w/ ‘poly’ material w/ brushed aluminum that’s durable, and possible solar lighting; Budget ~\$4K
 - Boat Dock Area
 - Gangway – Repair or replace gangway leading to Boat Dock
 - Access Road – Move bollard at top of road toward pond to widen entry; Adding a bollard toward pond instead of moving existing bollard does not help widen road at that turn
 - Launch Area – Enhance trailer access to water at end of road by regrading ‘ramp’, laying road cloth and stone for better traction; Determine whether metal post bollards can be moved 1’-2’ toward dam to allow more room to maneuver vehicles w/ boat trailers
 - Pond Path – Path had been started around pond but is over-grown and needs to be cleared; Determine what if anything can be done around ‘swampy’ area near Doug Uhl’s property, and if a path could surround the entire pond
 - Pond algae – Purchased 20 bales of barley straw (\$80) to try to control algae; Use tomato stakes to secure bales; Add barley straw to Swantown Creek? – can’t add to tidal waters or wetlands
 - Beach
 - Access Road – Change to a no power watercraft launching area and limit traffic to golfcart-type vehicles; Built to manage stormwater runoff, not large vehicles; Add bollard in road at top of hill
 - Picnic Tables – Existing wood tables are heavy and difficult to move, need maintenance, and some of the wood is rotten; Auction, give away or destroy existing tables and replace w/ Lifetime resin tables
 - Mailboxes on common rail-system are looking worn; Develop plan to replace
- All present approved Proposed Budget w/ show of hands, plus 1 Yes and 2 No votes via e-mail proxy

Shorewood Estates 2022 Membership Dues – Ed Oceanic

- Board recommended Membership Dues be retained at \$150 for 2022
- All present approved Membership Dues w/ show of hands, plus 3 Yes vote via e-mail proxy

Other Business – All

- Storage Rack Stickers
 - To help identify personal watercraft stored on Storage Racks at Beach and Boat Dock Areas (49 spaces total), SECA started a sticker system in 2021; Asked owners of each personal watercraft to affix their last name and sticker in case owner needed to be contacted, and to identify abandoned items; New system was not well-enforced and is only helpful if enforced
 - Starting 2022, watercraft must be stored on racks not on ground next to racks; Watercraft w/out identification will be photographed – photo will be attached to an e-mail to the community w/ a 2-week response time to identify owner; If no response, e-mail will be resent w/ another 2-week response time; If still no response, item will be removed and DNR may be contacted

- SECA Members have first choice at spaces as a perk of Membership; Non-members will be charged \$25 per watercraft
- More details to follow
- All present approved Storage Rack Sticker System w/ show of hands
- Community Activities
 - Annual Spring Clean-up – tentatively selected Saturday 4/23 (rain-date 4/24) w/ details to follow
 - Community Picnic – Possibly mid to late September
- Barry announced upcoming activities at GVFC
 - Drive-Thru SuperBowl Wings on Sunday 2/13 from 1PM-6PM; Homemade Chili and Mac&Cheese also available
 - Drive-Thru Ham & Oyster Dinner on Saturday 2/26 from 2-5:30PM

New Business – All

- SwimTesters Bacteria Program – LindaG received information from Sassafras WaterKeeper Zack Kelleher about 2022 water testing program
 - Instead of relying on SwimGuide station reports from Georgetown and FoxHole, we could establish a water testing site at Anchorage Beach
 - Need volunteers to collect sample and drive it to Chestertown ShoreRivers Office every Thursday before 10AM from the Thursday before Memorial Day to the Thursday before Labor Day (15 weekly samples)
 - Annual cost = \$600 for supplies (trays, collection bottles, reagents, pipettes, gloves, etc.) and processing material
 - Linda will follow-up w/ Zack about a suggestion for a sign to post if it's unsafe to swim, and will provide more detailed information
 - All present approved funds for SwimTesters Bacteria Program w/ show of hands
- Several attendees reported trash, broken glass, crushed cans/lids along Shorewood Rd over the past few weeks; Kathy Maisano identified Infinity Recycling as the culprit; Kathy and/or other neighborhood Infinity customers will contact Infinity
- Contractors again/still speeding through the neighborhood

Bryan Matthews motioned to adjourn the Meeting; Sueann Hall 2nd motion; All present agreed by show of hands; Ed adjourned the Meeting at 10:25AM

Slip Lottery Drawing

- There were 8 applications for 9 slips so all applicants were awarded a slip
- Balance of payment for Slip Dues **must be received by March 28, 2022 along w/ Proof of Liability Insurance and 2022 Membership Dues (\$150).**
- Lottery Results:

Slip #1 = Hall	Slip #2 = Buyse	Slip #3 = Gustus
Slip #4 = Reed	Slip #5 = Vacant	Slip #6 = Oceanic
Slip #7 = Beachy	Slip #8 = Bowden	Slip #9 = Hancock
- Congratulations to all!

THANKS AGAIN to Doug and Sue Uhl for paying the GVFC rental fee, to Barry Treftz for securing the facility, and to Friedrich Schmidt for making coffee!

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Gaydos, SECA Secretary