

Crestwood Village at Frederick Homeowners Association, Inc.
Notes from Community Meeting, June 17, 2025

Board of Trustees: John Kendall – President, Sally Livingston – Treasurer, Vickie Johnson – Secretary, John Morrill – Trustee, D Nicewarner – Trustee, Leslie Sullam – Trustee
Absent: Paula Blundell – Vice President

President John K called the meeting to order at 7 pm.

- I. **Introduction of New Residents** – No new residents present.
- II. **Treasurer's Report** – Sally gave the following report: For Crestwood HOA, May had a negative balance as did Year-to-date. A snow contingency CD matured and redeemed in June which will be applied to snow removal costs for the year. For CV1, there was a negative balance for both the month of May and year-to-date. For CV2, May had a small negative balance with a positive balance year-to-date.
- III. **Information/Potential Board Agenda Items**
 1. **Linda Williamson, from Creek Releaf program to make a presentation.** John M introduced Linda to present information on this Frederick County program. She explained the program and had handouts available for those interested. Applications are taken in October to mid-December and the process takes about nine months, during which an organization can change its mind at several points if desired.
 2. **CQI Associates LLC energy procurement service provider** – In a closed meeting on Wednesday June 4, the Board voted to approve a 24-month agreement with Constellation New Energy Inc at a 0.6634 per kwh rate. Shirley provided some background information. The CQI is a consulting business and paid by the energy providers with no cost to us and saves the HOA money on electrical.
 3. **Upgrade Internet speed/Wi-Fi, routers and office phones** – Board to review and possibly approve updated comcast internet and phone agreement. Shirley noted that our current internet is very slow and needs upgrading. Recommends upgrading from 50 megabytes at \$340/month to 500 megabytes at \$459/month.
 4. **Pool Repair** – Repair hole on the pool wall for a total of \$700.00. High Sierra will need the pool closed for a few hours to perform work.
 5. **Sign in sheet** – New sign in trial method has been unsuccessful. Starting in July, we will revert to the previous sign-in method. Shirley announced that the new sign in sheet will be discontinued beginning July 1 and revert to the prior method.
 6. **Amazon Business account** – \$179.00 a year. Shirley recommends having this account as she has been using her personal account for HOA orders. This is more appropriate, will save time and money and be more convenient.
 7. **Possibly sale the old 2007 GMC maintenance truck** – Crestwood pays \$1,599.00 a year for insurance and about \$800.00 in repairs/oil change, registration, etc. Shirley recommends sale as truck is no longer being used and costing money. The last few months indicate that one maintenance person can keep up with all the tasks.
 8. **The Clubhouse Funds Committee has elected new committee positions** - starting July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2025. Chair - Samuel Oliver, Co-Chair - Jean Alpern, Secretary - Bill Rucker, Treasurer - Donna Dawson, and Assistant Treasurer - Mary Leatherman. All of the members have voted and agreed to the new selection of positions/Officers. Jan Cole announced these new positions.
 9. **Inventory/update of library books** - D commented that new books appear to go in the Donations due to lack of room and some current/older books need replacing. She suggested a volunteer group to help go through books.
- IV. **Committee Reports**

Activities – Arlene Duda announced, due to current issues in the auditorium, the Summer Sizzler scheduled for this Thursday has been postponed to next week, June 26th. Sign up is available. She also shared the variety activities scheduled for June, July, August and beyond.

ARC – Linda Wensley – No report

Clubhouse Funds – Janice Cole – No report

Hospitality – Therese Oseneek thanked everyone for the donations.

Neighbors Helping Neighbors – Caroline Bolin announced that two Frederick County Division of Aging and Independence service navigators, including Elly will be here on July 8th and appointments are available. They will be here every second Tuesday of the month. Bernadine Hoffman shared her experience at Groceries For Seniors at Taney Avenue senior center on third Friday of the month and encouraged residents to try it. Next one is Friday, June 20th at 12 noon.

V. Specialty Group reports

Building and Grounds – John M reported that the green container in the parking lot is finally gone. The chair, Julie Drennan reported that cluster mailboxes are installed; outdoor cover for minigolf is installed; working on bids to remove nine dead trees on common property; looking at repairs on tennis courts, paved path and roads as well as the railing on upper deck.

Crafts – Linda Meyer – No report as taking a break during the summer.

Working Hands - Leslie Sullam reported that there are lots of volunteer, including several who sew and mend. She is also taking over NeighborRides so call her if you need a ride, but not for grocery shopping.

VI. Property Manager – Erika reported that nine new street signs have been installed. Shirley mentioned several items:

- Please put out yard waster the night before as they may pick up early in the morning. Also, no dirt or mulch in bags will be picked up.
- HOA fees will increase on July 1st.
- Coupon books are available for \$5.00 and can be ordered in the office.
- Complaints about lots of ivy and bugs. Dave has been doing some spraying but more requires additional cost with landscaping contract. Please do not use tape around trees to catch Lantern flies as dangerous for other animals.

VII. Trustee Comments

- Sally announced that the CV1 Council of Unit Owners Board of Directors had a meeting and elected their officers for the year beginning July 1. Along with terms on the Board, they are: President – Ann Myers (2-year term); Vice President – Nancy Anderson (3-year term); Secretary – JoAnn King (3-year term); Treasurer – Ron Welke (2-year term); Member at Large – Luisa Achita (2-year term). The first meeting of the CV1 Council Board of Directors will be on Wednesday, July 9 at 6 pm in the Sunroom.

She also shared information on a current scam in the county where checks and gift cards are being taken from cluster mailboxes. Thanks was given to Arlene for all her time and efforts as Activities Committee chair over the past two years as she will no longer be chair.

- Thanks and appreciation was expressed to President John Kendall for his leadership, time and efforts on the Board as this was his last Community Meeting on the Board.

VIII. Questions/Comments

- A resident commented that the Library Committee routinely tries to discard old and damaged books.
- A resident noted that Lantern flies are hard to get rid of but spraying with soap may help.
- A resident reported that a new singing group has 14 names already and if anyone else is interest, please sign up at the book in the back.

IX. 50/50 Drawing was done.

X. Adjourned at 8:15 pm. In closing, President John K thanked the current Board, committee members, volunteers and management staff for all their hard work, time and efforts over the past year. He also expressed thanks to his wife, Brenda for her support.