

**Shorewood Estates Civic Association
Annual Meeting
February 4, 2017 at the Gaydos/Hawver House**

Jeff Russell called the meeting to order at 9:30AM

Attendees: *Jeff Russell, Kim Righi, Ann Vogt, Linda Gaydos, Jason Conner, Rob Moxley, Julie & Mike Klapproth, Bill Irish, Jonathon Robbin, Dan Buyse, Clem Herbst, Barry Treftz, Friedrich Schmidt, Doug Uhl, Brian Chick, SueAnn Hall, Debbie Reed, Sister John Elizabeth, Dawn & April & Grayson Gustus, Doug Porter, Jim Pileggi, Phil Beachy, Pete Hancock*

Agenda Items:

- Nominations and Election of Officers for 2017 Shorewood Estates Board of Directors
- Shorewood Estates Dues and Membership Drive
- Temporary Events Sign and Committee
- Anchorage Beach Access Road Tree Stump Update
- Mailboxes
- Shorewood Estates Community Events
- Miscellaneous
- Slip Lottery Drawing

Treasurer's Report – Ann Vogt (as of 2/3/17)

- Dock Account Balance = \$14,148.05
- General Account Balance = \$10,823.77
- Bill Irish motioned to approve Treasurer's report; Jonathon Robbin 2nd motion; All present agreed w/ 'aye'
- Jeff Russell indicated Minutes from last Annual Meeting had been distributed and were posted on SECA website; No one present had any questions or changes – Jeff asked for a motion to approve Minutes; Dan Buyse motioned to approve; Barry Treftz 2nd motion; All present approved w/ 'aye'

Nominations and Election of Officers for 2017 Shorewood Estates Board of Directors

- Nominations – Kim Righi (President), SueAnn Hall (Vice President), Bill Irish (Member-at-Large)
- Existing/continuing 2017 Board members – Ann Vogt (Treasurer), Linda Gaydos (Secretary), Rob Moxley and Jason Conner (Members-at-Large)
- Jeff Russell will function as Past President (THANKS to Jeff for his years of dedication and leadership as President)
- No new nominations; Barry Treftz motioned to approve 2017 slate of Officers; Jim Pileggi 2nd motion
- Nomination from floor for member-at-large – Brian Chick
- Barry amended his motion and moved to approve 2017 Board Officers and Members; Jim Pileggi 2nd motion; All present (plus 3 by proxy via e-mail) approved w/ 'aye'
- Our 3 new Board Members (SueAnn, Bill, Brian) will bring additional points of view and new perspectives to the Board while we retain continuity w/ continuing members for a full complement of 9 Board Members

Shorewood Estates Dues and Membership Drive

- Board recommends retaining dues at \$100 (about \$8.35 per month) for dues year 2017
- No new expenditures are planned for 2017
- Retain Travis Biggs to maintain Liriope Hill at Anchorage Beach, e.g., weeding throughout the season
- Boat Dock needs a few more deck planks replaced this year, and probably more extensive work w/in next few years
- Dues are not mandatory because we're a civic association not an HOA (home owner's association), and provision for mandatory dues was not initially built into Bylaws
- Snow Plowing – Only Shorewood Rd and Mallard Ln are plowed (county roads); All others are maintained by residents/property owners on those roads
- Dues pay for general upkeep and maintenance of our Community common areas including mowing, dock repairs, filling pot holes on Beach and Dock access roads, beach sand, etc.
- Any chance to change over to HOA? SECA Members could vote to change but previous research indicated that current homeowners would still not be mandated to pay dues (would required grandfather clause in Bylaws)

- Everyone agreed that all residents benefit from SECA maintaining Community common areas and that everyone should share the cost to maintain/enhance those areas; Current strategy is to encourage neighbors to join SECA in a courteous manner; Dues requests each year will now include a 2nd request that is personalized and sent via first class mail since that strategy last year captured the largest percentage of members to-date (about 65%)
- Ann Vogt motioned to retain dues at \$100; Jeff Russell 2nd motion; All present (plus 3 by proxy via e-mail) approved w/ 'aye'

Temporary Events Sign, and Committee

- Current temporary sign board was built by Friedrich; Kim applied a fresh coat of paint and lettered the sign for this Annual Meeting and Slip Lottery; This process incurred some expense for peel-off-stick-on letters and weather-proof paper, and is rather time-consuming; Kim asked if members would be interested in researching a more visually-appealing permanent sign w/ some way to announce Community events
- SueAnn Hall volunteered to gather information – contact SueAnn (sheplus3@aol.com) if you're interested in helping; SueAnn also volunteered to create temporary signs for now as needed
- Joe Irr's son works in the sign business and perhaps can offer suggestions for design, size, material, etc.

Anchorage Beach Access Road Tree Stump Update

- Travis has been working on-and-off during his slow season on the stump
- He started to pull stump out last week but a large root under Beach Access Rd started to pull up macadam, so he pushed the stump back into place and filled in some of the hole w/ stone
- Travis suggests filling in the hole w/ stone and dirt, then plant some plants around that area; He cut the stump closer to the ground to help w/ stability; Also cleared some debris from the other side of the road
- Barry motioned to fill-in hole w/ stone and dirt; Ann 2nd motion; All present approved w/ 'aye'

Mailboxes

- At last Annual Meeting, we discussed standardizing mailboxes at Duck Hollow Rd and Sassafras Rd by installing a common rail system similar to those at Swantown Creek Rd and Pineywood Rd
- Must obtain agreement from all property owners on Duck Hollow Rd and Sassafras Rd
- NO cost to property owners as motion was previously approved; SECA will fund all materials, and volunteers will build and install all new mailboxes on 2 common rail systems – one at each Road
- Linda will send e-mail to obtain agreement from property owners; Jeff will follow-up w/ local Postmaster; Jeff and Friedrich will construct the two new rail systems, if all property owners agree, and will solicit help as needed

Shorewood Estates Community Events

- Kayak Trip(s) – Jeff will pick date and send e-mail announcement
- 3rd Friday has been Happy Hour on Anchorage Beach; SRA Sips at Granary is also 3rd Friday; 1st Friday in Chestertown and Middletown; Consider switching to 2nd Friday; Anytime anyone wants to get together w/ neighbors, send out an e-mail using our Contact List
- Consider progressive dinners or happy hours in different host homes during winter, then Happy Hour at Anchorage Beach during warmer months; SueAnn shared an idea – a fun flag in driveway denotes host house
- Spring Clean-up – Volunteers meet at Anchorage Beach and Boat Dock sometime before Memorial Day; Need more sand this year at Beach? Yes; Board will pick date and notify Community of Spring Clean-up
- Work Party Days – Will organize and schedule as needed
- Community Picnic – Linda/Debbie Reed volunteered to co-chair again, and welcome other volunteers; Brian offered to donate meats; Barry will provide ice

Miscellaneous

- Jeff Russell recently talked w/ Bob Hodge about property Bob owns in and around our Community (air strip, common areas including Beach and boat dock); Bob is unsure of what he's doing w/ the property but if he decides to sell air strip property, he agreed to 'right of first refusal' for Shorewood Estates residents; Bob also agreed to consider donating common areas property to SECA by transferring Bob and Elizabeth Hodge's Shorewood Estates Corporation to SECA and retain access rights; Currently, there's no existing contract for common areas but it is conveyed that we can use the common areas as long as we maintain them; Bob asked for a letter of intent from the Board so Board wants to explore options, costs, insurance, liability, legal fees, etc.; No one opposed exploring options – significant benefit

for Community in obtaining those properties; Also need to firm-up existing agreement; Jeff motioned to explore options; Phil Beachy 2nd motion; All present agreed w/ 'aye'

- Barry – Super Bowl Sunday February 5 – WINGS at the Firehouse starting at 3PM; Eat-in and watch the game on large screen, or Carry-out; <http://www.galenvfc.org/>

Meeting adjourned at about 10:30AM, and after a short transition, Bill Irish conducted the Slip Lottery Drawing

Slip Lottery Drawing

- Bill Irish, new Member-at-Large, and Slip Lottery Committee Chair, conducted this year's drawing w/ assistance by Pete Hancock; 11 applications were submitted for 9 slips
- Balance of payment for Slip must be received by March 1 along w/ Proof of Liability Insurance (see SECA Slip Lottery for 2017.pdf posted on Shorewood Estates website); Results are:

Slip #1 = Buyse	Slip #2 = Ojard	Slip #3 = Conner
Slip #4 = Reed	Slip #5 = Uhl	Slip #6 = Gaydos/Hawver
Slip #7 = Beachy	Slip #8 = Boyle	Slip #9 = MacLean
- Yedinak and Gustus were added to the Wait List; They will be contacted in order if a 2017 Slip Holder decides to cancel their slip holding during the term, and will be offered that slip at a pro-rated basis for the remainder of the term
- Congratulations to all, and THANKS again to Bill!

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Gaydos
SECA Secretary