

Signal Hill HOA meeting agenda

January 26. 2025

Topic of discussion: First quarterly meeting 2025

Meeting Norms:

Respect difference of opinions	No-Fault, No Blame	Start on Time...End on Time	Ground Statements in Evidence	Celebrate Success
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Facilitator(s) : Noah Freeman, Jamal Francis

Timekeeper : none

Note takers :Ashley Ayala

Attendees : Noah Freeman, Jamal Francis, Eileen Harlee, Jamie Love

Meeting Objectives	
5 m	Call to order - 2:15 pm Jan 26th
	<b>Introduction of new board members/Attendance</b> President - Noah Freeman - joined to bring our community together, with more events and have everyone get to know eachother, we have an awesome community, so lets make it happen. Vice President - Jamal Francis - Joined because we are the first house in the neighborhood and felt responsibility, camaraderie, relationships, community. A big part for me is to bring back the relationships that matter Treasurer - Eileen Harlee Secretary - Ashley Ayala - get to know ppl and how the community works. Members at Large - Jamie Love - likes to volunteer

		<p>Eileen Harlee - petitioning for treasurer, likes to volunteer and bring ppl together.</p> <p><b>Not Present:</b> Kym Ferguson, Ricardo Martinez</p>
		<p><b>Vote for New Treasurer</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Eileen Harlee is voted in for treasurer.</li> </ul>
		<p><b>Reminder to shovel snow/ice from sidewalks, front of mailboxes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Kind reminder that if your house has a sidewalk, it is your responsibility to shovel the snow/ice as per Howard County law*. Throw salt/sand to prevent slips and falls. If you are going to be out of the state/area, please contact someone to shovel your area.</li> <li>- *<a href="https://library.municode.com/md/howard_county/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=HOCOCO_TIT18PUWO_SUBTITLE_4SI_S18.402MASIDRSO">https://library.municode.com/md/howard_county/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=HOCOCO_TIT18PUWO_SUBTITLE_4SI_S18.402MASIDRSO</a></li> <li>- Send notice to neighbors via our various platforms to improve our communication. We have 48 hours to remove the snow as per the county.</li> <li>- Please if you have a mailbox near your house, also keep the area free from snow/ice. This is considered a public right-of-way.</li> </ul>
		<p><b>Overview of upcoming initiatives and projects</b></p> <p>Block Party - June</p> <p>Egg hunt - April</p> <p>The possibility of activities to foster the sense of community that we all want and crave.</p> <p>Bring your own _____ type parties</p> <p>Signs in the community for meetings/ activities, Jamie is going to try and clean the signs we already have for the next meeting.</p>
		<p><b>Discuss future meeting dates</b></p> <p><i>From bylaws: Written notice of each meeting of the Members shall be given by, or at the direction of, the Secretary or person authorized to call the meeting, by mailing a</i></p>

		<p><i>copy of the notice, postage prepaid, not less than fifteen (15) not more than sixty (60) days before the meeting, to each Member, addressed to the Member's address last appearing on the books of the Association, or supplied by the Member to the Association for the purpose of notice. The notice shall specify the place, day and hour of the meeting. In the case of a special meeting, the notice shall state the purpose of the meeting.</i></p> <p>Location: Ridgley's Community Center/ Google meet</p> <p>April 27, 2 pm</p> <p>July 27, 2 pm</p> <p>October 26, 2 pm</p> <p>Stamps and envelopes would cost \$120.00 aprox. We did not budget for mailing this year but can revisit next year. We have been using less expensive ways to give out notifications: leaving them door-to-door, - it was suggested that we place the envelopes inside doors, under mats, or a rock or some sort of weight to keep them from flying away.</p>
		<p><b>The requirement and use of reserve funds</b></p> <p>Only to be used for capitol replacement or maintenance. There has to be a certain amount of money here by law. (common property) there has to be a reserve study done every 5 years by a certified independent contractor. <a href="https://www.reserveadvisors.com/resources/blog/maryland-reserve-study-legislation-faq/">https://www.reserveadvisors.com/resources/blog/maryland-reserve-study-legislation-faq/</a></p>
		<p><b>How we determine and use our budget item by item</b></p> <p>The documentation will be put behind a "membership" on the site to avoid outside people seeing this documentation.</p> <p>A third party is required for money management, we can freely use the petty cash.</p>
		<p><b>The new architectural form and discussion of our bylaws requiring us all to keep our houses in order</b></p> <p><b>Discuss approved exterior paint colors</b></p> <p>We are changing the paint colors from DURON to Sherwin Williams.</p> <p>The colors will be posted on the website.</p> <p>What happens if people have the wrong color?</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- If you are as close as possible to the paint chips you will be ok, just not too far off.</li> <li>- Andrew Stun - 8958 is willing to join the ARB</li> </ul>
		<p><b>The CAI transparency Act</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The explanation will be on the website, it is a law that applies to the HOA and any person that has ownership, control of decision. Information needs to be provided to avoid illicit use of funds.</li> <li>- Each board member has to fill it out, including MALs.</li> <li>- On hold as of 1/21/2025 by a court order.</li> </ul>
		<p><b>Vote on Signal Hill Logo</b></p> <p>Voted yes.</p>
		<p><b>Open forum for resident questions and suggestions</b></p>
		<p><b>Next Steps</b></p> <p>Board needs to fill out the CTA. On hold as of 1/21/2025 by a court order.</p>