

MINUTES OF THE QUARTERLY GENERAL MEETING OF BROOKSIDE  
COMMUNITY, INC. OF SEPTEMBER 5, 2006

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: LINDA SELTZER, VALERIE HAFEKEN, SHIRLEY  
DUNCAN, KATHIE BOOK AND BARRY ADAMS.

MEMBERS ABSENT: BILL WHEATLEY, ERIN PETERS AND KATIE DAVIES

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:35 PM BY LINDA SELTZER. THE  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING FOR JUNE 6, 2006 WERE READ AND APPROVED  
WITH ONE CORRECTION: THE LOAN FROM THE STATE TO CHRISTINA  
SCHOOL DISTRICT IS INTEREST FREE FOR FIVE YEARS.

VALERIE READ THE OBITUARY FOR WILL WHEATLEY'S WIFE, HYON, WHO  
DIED LAST THURSDAY.

LINDA ANNOUNCED THAT KATHIE BOOK HAS BEEN APPROVED AS OUR  
NEW TREASURER BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

THE TREASURER'S REPORT WAS GIVEN BY LINDA SELTZER:

PERIOD:	INCOME	EXPENSES	PROFIT/LOSS
FISCAL YEAR ENDED 5/31/06	\$110,437.	\$85,639.	\$24,798.
AUGUST, 2006	\$ 8,857.	\$ 5,543.	\$ 3,314.
YEAR TO DATE	\$ 82,455.	\$33,419.	\$49,036.

AN AUDIT WILL BE DONE IN MID OCTOBER, PRIOR TO THE ELECTION FOR  
BOARD MEMBERS AND OFFICERS. BILL WHEATLEY, LINDA SELTZER AND  
VALERIE HAFEKEN WILL ALL RUN AGAIN. ANYONE INTERESTED IN RUNNING  
SHOULD SEND IN A LETTER TO THE ELECTION COMMITTEE BEFORE 9/15/06.

WE WERE ADVISED THAT THE BROOKSIDE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PTA HAS  
WON THE "RESCUING RECESS" GRANT TOTALING \$5,000. THEY WERE THE  
ONLY PTA IN DELAWARE TO BE AWARDED THIS GRANT BECAUSE ONLY  
ONE GRANT IS AWARDED PER STATE. THEY WILL BE USING THE MONEY  
FOR VARIOUS PROGRAMS TO HELP FIGHT OBESITY.

OFFICER MIKE SNEAD GAVE THE CRIME REPORT FROM JULY TO TODAY'S  
DATE. THERE WERE 389 CALLS TO THE 911 CENTER, 21 OF WHICH WERE  
DISCONNECTS. THEY INCLUDED ABANDONED CARS, 12 BURGLARIES OF  
CARS AND BUSINESSES, 13 MISCHIEF, 3 DRUG RELATED CALLS, AND A  
NUMBER OF DOMESTICS, PROPERTY CHECKS, 14 FALSE ALARMS, MISSING  
PERSONS, FIREWORKS, PUBLIC RELATIONS, 1 ROBBERY, SHOP LIFTING,  
SUSPICIOUS PERSONS AND VARIOUS OTHER PROBLEMS.

A RESIDENT ASKED ABOUT WHO TO CALL: FOR NON-EMERGENCY CALLS IT  
IS 573-2800 AND 911 FOR EMERGENCIES. HE STRESSED THAT MORE  
PEOPLE SHOULD CALL IN IF THEY SEE SUSPICIOUS OR UNKNOWN PEOPLE  
ROAMING AROUND THE NEIGHBORHOOD. OFFICER SNEAD WAS THANKED  
FOR HIS INFORMATION.

SEVERAL RESIDENTS REPORTED THE FOLLOWING PROBLEMS: EXPIRED PLATES ON A CAR TAGGED IN LOUISIANA AND BEING STORED ON A HOME FOR 4 MONTHS; A HOME AT 2 MORRIS LANE WAS VANDALIZED AND THERE IS A LARGE BARE WIRE STICKING OUT OF THE GROUND BEHIND 46 AND 48 MARTINDALE DRIVE ABOUT 3-4 INCHES HIGH. AFTER RESIDENTS CALLED THE POWER COMPANY, IT WAS WRAPPED BUT NOTHING ELSE HAS BEEN DONE AND CALLS HAVE BEEN IGNORED. POSSIBLY IT PROVIDED POWER FOR THE COMPANY WORKING ON BROOKSIDE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL OR THE TRAILERS USED FOR SCHOOL LAST YEAR.

THERE ARE PHONE PROBLEMS IN FIRESIDE PARK. THERE WAS A SHED FIRE LAST YEAR AND THE PHONE CABLE HAS NOT BEEN REPAIRED. THEY HAD BEEN CONTACTED FROM MAY TO JULY. VERIZON MADE 3 TRIPS OUT ON THIS AND IT HAS FINALLY BEEN FIXED.

CAROLYN HAAG ADVISED US THAT THE GRANT NCCO RECEIVED FROM THE STATE FOR PAYMENT TO INDIVIDUALS AGES 14 - 20 HIRED UNDER THE SUMMER EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM WAS INCREASED FROM \$19,000. TO \$24,000. A TOTAL OF 20 PEOPLE 14 - 17 YEARS OLD WERE HIRED THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2006.

THE COUNTY BUDGET WAS PASSED AND A TASK FORCE TEAM WAS ASSEMBLED TO SEE WHAT HAS TO BE DONE AND TO SEE WHAT IT WILL TAKE TO GET IT DONE. CODE VIOLATIONS HAS A TOTAL SHORTAGE OF SIX PERSONS TO HANDLE ALL THE WORK THAT MUST BE DONE. THEY ARE PRESENTLY RECRUITING FOR OFFICERS AND ALSO FOR PARAMEDICS. IF YOU KNOW OF ANYONE INTERESTED, ADVISE THEM TO CHECK ON THIS.

IN REGARD TO HIGH WEEDS AND PARKING VEHICLES AND BOATS IMPROPERLY, THEY ARE CURRENTLY SENDING LETTERS FIRST TO SEE IF THE HOMEOWNERS WILL VOLUNTARILY CORRECT THE PROBLEMS. THEN THEY GO OUT AND MAKE SURE IT HAS BEEN DONE. FROM 6/01/06 TO 9/04/06 THERE WERE ONLY 38 COMPLAINTS. FOR THESE AND BUILDING WITHOUT A PERMIT, CALL 395-5555 TO REPORT THE PROBLEM.

THERE ARE CODE CHANGES BEING PROPOSED, REGARDING HAVING YOUR DOWN SPOUTS POINTED AT A NEIGHBORS' HOME CAUSING DRAINAGE PROBLEMS FOR THEM, ALSO BOATS PARKED ON DIRT AND GRASS RATHER THAN A HARD SURFACE. THEY ARE ALSO WORKING ON TAGGING AND TOWING VEHICLES WITH THE HELP OF A POLICE PRESENCE, SO PEOPLE DON'T KEEP MOVING THEIR VEHICLES THINKING EITHER THE COUNTY OR THE POLICE DON'T HAVE JURISDICTION.

SEWER LINES ARE SCHEDULED FOR REPAIR ON MONTVALE ROAD AND MALLBORO DRIVE, AS WELL AS ACCESS FOR DISABLED PEOPLE. WORK WILL BE DONE ON THE WALKWAY FOOTBRIDGE TO MARTINDALE DRIVE AND THE GUARD RAILS ON CAMERON LANE WILL BE DONE. CURRY LANE WILL BE REPAVED.

MR. GREEN COMPLAINED ABOUT CARS PARKED IN DRIVEWAYS BLOCKING THE SIDEWALK. THEY SAID TO CALL THE COUNTY TO COMPLAIN. TWO HANDICAPPED RAMPS ARE NEEDED BY THE ENTRANCE TO LITTLE K NEAR RT. 72.

THE SLEEP UNDER THE STARS WILL BE HELD ON OCTOBER 14, SATURDAY, AT CAROUSEL PARK. YOU MAY REGISTER ON LINE FOR A SPACE. THERE WILL BE A MEET AND GREET FOR THE NEW POLICE CHIEF AT 8:00 AM ON THE 8TH OF SEPTEMBER. THE GRAFFITI BILL HAS BEEN SIGNED.

STEPHANIE ULBRICH ADVISED US THAT LILLIAN LOWREY, OF THE CHRISTINA SCHOOL DISTRICT, HAS USED ABOUT \$13,000,000. OF THE \$20,000,000. INTEREST FREE LOAN SO FAR AND WILL BE PAYING BACK 10% THIS YEAR. SHE WILL ALSO BE HAVING OPEN MEETINGS DURING THE YEAR.

THERE IS A SHORTAGE OF SCHOOL SUPPLIES. THE PRESIDENT OF THE STATE CHAMBER, BILL WOLFE, CALLED A NUMBER OF BUSINESSES TO SEE IF ANY WOULD BE WILLING TO MAKE DONATIONS. SO FAR THE FOLLOWING HAS BEEN RAISED: \$6,000 FROM WSFS, \$5,000 FROM WILMINGTON TRUST, 34 BOXES OF SUPPLIES FROM ANOTHER COMPANY, STAPLES GAVE A COPIER TO ONE SCHOOL AND A CHAIR TO A TEACHER WHO HAD BEEN USING A STUDENT CHAIR FOR LACK OF BIGGER ONE, AND GIFT CERTIFICATES, ETC. ANYONE THAT WANTS TO MAKE A DONATION SEND CHECKS TO: CHRISTINA EDUCATION ASSOCIATION - SCHOOL SUPPLIES. A SCHOOL IN ANOTHER STATE SENT SCHOOL SUPPLIES WHICH WERE COLLECTED WHEN BIRTHDAY PARTIES WERE HELD RATHER THAN HAVING CUPCAKES, ETC.

BILL WHEATLEY WILL BE CHAIRING CIVIC MEETINGS AT 7:30 PM ON THE FIRST TUESDAYS OF THE MONTH STARTING OCTOBER 3RD.

JOHN KOWALKO, RUNNING FOR THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES THIS YEAR, HAS BEEN TAKING PICTURES OF WATER DRAINAGE PROBLEMS. HE SAID THERE WAS A PROBLEM ON CHAUCER FOR FLOODED BASEMENTS. HE ALSO MENTIONED THE POSSIBILITY OF PUTTING UP CAMERAS WHERE HOMEOWNERS WANTED THEM TO HELP DETER CRIME.

OFFICER SNEAD ADVISED THAT THERE IS CURRENTLY AN ALARM SYSTEM FOR SENIOR CITIZENS - THE VITAL LIFE AND SENIOR ROLL CALL DONE BY NCCO FOR ANYONE WHO SIGNS UP FOR IT.

WE WERE ADVISED THAT BAMBOO IS GROWING WILD THROUGH THE CONCRETE AT 5 METTEN ROAD AND GRASS IN FRONT OF THE SCHOOL AND THE APARTMENTS IS BEING THROWN IN THE STREET AGAIN.

THE REVISED BY-LAWS PASSED BY THE HOMEOWNERS WILL BE SENT TO THE RECORDER OF DEEDS BY MID-SEPTEMBER BY OUR LAWYER.

THE FLEA MARKET WILL BE HELD OCTOBER 7TH WITH A RAIN DATE OF THE 14TH.

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 9:00 PM.



VALERIE I. HAFEKEN

MINUTES OF THE QUARTERLY GENERAL MEETING OF BROOKSIDE COMMUNITY, INC. OF MARCH 7, 2006.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: LINDA SELTZER, BILL WHEATLEY, VALERIE HAFEKEN, SHIRLEY DUNCAN, ERIN PETERS AND KATHIE BOOK. MEMBERS ABSENT: JAN FOTH AND BARRY ADAMS.

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT :30 PM BY BILL WHEATLEY. THE MINUTES OF THE QUARTERLY MEETING FOR DECEMBER 6, 2005 WERE APPROVED AS READ.

BILL READ A COPY OF THE LETTER RECEIVED FROM LT. CRAIG WELDON OF THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY POLICE REGARDING THE COMMUNITY WATCH PARTNERSHIP WITH BROOKSIDE. THE LETTER COMMENDED BILL WHEATLEY FOR BEING THE BLOCK WATCH PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR AND BEING A MAJOR FACTOR IN ADDRESSING THE ISSUES FACING BROOKSIDE WITH THE HELP OF THE MEMBERS OF THE BLOCK WATCH.

A COMBINATION OF CPL. SNEAD'S COMMITMENT TO POLICE WORK AND BILL WHEATLEY'S COMMITMENT TO THE COMMUNITY HAS LED TO AN ALL STAR CRIME PREVENTION TEAM.

THE TREASURER'S REPORT FOR FEBRUARY, 2006 WAS GIVEN BY LINDA SELTZER, AS FOLLOWS:

PERIOD	INCOME	EXPENSES	PROFIT/(LOSS)
FEBRUARY	\$ 1,776.00	\$ 6,636.00	(\$ 4,860.00)
YEAR TO DATE	\$99,876.00	\$73,038.00	\$26,838.00

A MOTION WAS MADE FOR A FUTURE AUDIT TO BE DONE ON THE BUDGET AND WAS SECONDED.

IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE, THE \$50,000 CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT WE HAD WITH MBNA MATURED ON FEB. 2, 2006 AND WAS REPLACED WITH ONE FOR \$75,000. WITH A RATE OF 4.5% ANNUALLY. A MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT WAS ALSO OPENED WITH \$40,000. AND A 4.5% RATE ANNUALLY.

THE ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS FOR THE 2006/2007 FISCAL YEAR WILL BE SENT OUT IN THE MIDDLE OF APRIL. AND ARE DUE BY MAY 31, 2006.

BILL ADVISED US THAT THE CRIME REPORT WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE UNTIL THURSDAY, BUT THERE IS A REPORT REGARDING CRIME MAPPING ON THE WEB SITE FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY. ANYONE CAN MAKE A PRINT OUT OF IT TO SEE JUST WHERE THERE HAVE BEEN PROBLEMS AND WHAT KIND OF CRIMES ARE BEING COMMITTED. CAROLYN HAAG HAD A NUMBER OF COPIES AND PASSED THEM OUT TO ANYONE INTERESTED IN SEEING IT. JUST CLICK ON THE PUBLIC SAFETY LINK.

THE 2005 REPORT FROM THE NATIONAL CRIME PREVENTION COALITION OF AMERICA SHOWS BROOKSIDE PARK AS AN AFFILIATE MEMBER ORG. FOR DELAWARE AND WE ARE LISTED IN THE NATIONAL MAGAZINE.

THERE ARE NOW TWO (2) NEW BLOCK WATCH CAPTAINS FOR MONTROSE DR. AND BROOKSIDE BLVD. WITH ONE FOR MATTHEWS TO BE APPOINTED AT THEIR NEXT MEETING ON MARCH 20, 2006.

CAROLYN HAAG BROUGHT IN DELMARVA POWER BROCHURES REGARDING SAVING MONEY AND ENERGY. SHE ANNOUNCED THAT THE SEWER BILLS THAT WERE SENT OUT MAY NOW BE PAID IN TWO (2) INSTALLMENTS, IF NECESSARY.

THE EXECUTIVE BUDGET ADDRESS WILL BE GIVEN TO NCCO COUNCIL AT THE MEETING ON MARCH 21, 2006 AT 5:30 IN DOWNTOWN WILMINGTON AT 8TH & FRENCH STREETS FOR ANYONE WHO WOULD LIKE TO BE THERE.

SHE GAVE THE CRIME CODE REPORT OF COMPLAINTS AND PROBLEMS FOR THE VARIOUS NEIGHBORHOODS, WHICH WERE NOT TOO BAD THIS MONTH. THEY WERE FOR INOPERABLE VEHICLES, WORKING WITH NO PERMIT FROM THE COUNTY, UNTAGGED VEHICLES, TRASH AND RUBBLE, CHICKENS ON MATTHEWS AND MITCHELL CIRCLE, CONDEMNED HOUSES, ETC.

NCCO HAS A NEW PROBLEM PROPERTIES TASK FORCE TEAM MADE UP OF AT LEAST ONE INDIVIDUAL FROM EACH DEPARTMENT SO ALL COMPLAINTS CAN BE HANDLED BETWEEN THEM AND THE POLICE, IF NECESSARY. THIS WAY THINGS WILL BE DONE QUICKER THAN WITHOUT THIS BACK UP.

STORAGE PODS IN DRIVEWAY FOR TOO LONG A TIME ARE A CODE VIOLATION - THIS WOULD BE CONSIDERED STORAGE AND IS NOT ALLOWED THERE. DEL DOT REQUIRES A PERMIT FOR THIS.

BASKETBALL NETS FALL UNDER THE "CLEAR ZONE LAW". IF THEY ARE WITHIN 10 FEET OF THE CURB ON A MAIN STREET OR 7 FEET ON A SIDE STREET, THEY MAY BE REMOVED BY DEL DOT WITH NOTIFICATION AND HOMEOWNERS MAY GET THEM BACK BY PAYING A FINE.

ATV'S, DIRT BIKES, MOTORIZED SCOOTERS AND MOTORIZED SKATE BOARDS CAN ALSO BE CONFISCATED. THEY ARE PROHIBITED ON STREETS, SIDEWALKS AND HIGHWAYS WITH GRADUATED FINES BEING PAID BEFORE THEY CAN BE GOTTEN BACK FROM THE POLICE DEPT.

ERIN PETERS ANNOUNCED THAT THE FLEA MARKET WILL BE HELD ON MAY 6, 2006 AND RESERVATIONS WILL BE TAKEN STARTING APRIL 1, 2006. THERE WILL BE ADS RUN TO NOTIFY RESIDENTS AND VENDORS OF THESE DATES.

THERE WILL BE ELECTIONS HELD THIS FALL FOR REPLACEMENTS FOR THOSE CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS WHO WILL NOT BE RUNNING AGAIN. LINDA SELTZER HAS ADVISED US THAT SHE WILL BE STEPPING DOWN AND BILL WHEATLEY IS UNDECIDED AT THIS TIME. PLEASE THINK ABOUT YOUR CHANCE TO HELP YOUR COMMUNITY BY BECOMING A MEMBER.

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 8:25 PM.

VALERIE I. HAFEKEN  
SECRETARY