



HAVERFORD CIVIC ASSOCIATION

Meeting of the Board of Directors

April 12, 2011

Merion Cricket Club

MINUTES

The meeting convened at 7:30 PM, chaired by President Wayne Hunt

Attending: Wayne Hunt, President; Lorraine Jones, Treasurer; Jane Carton, Secretary; Ercem Atillasoy, Tash Duff, Andy Orr, Karen Shapiro

Commissioners: Sheryl Gelber, Esq., and V. Scott Zelov

Apologies: Stephen Billings, 1st V.P., Kirsten Humann, Commissioner Steven Lindner, George McFarland, Esq., Anne Mezey, Lee Tabas, Tom Wilkinson, Esq., 2nd V.P.

No Response: Shelly Brietling, Elizabeth Kuensell, Stephen Lee, Francis Leto, Esq., Cary McClain, Steven Mezrow, Carol Rando, Polly Richman, Paul Simpson, Andrea Straub, Vinnie West

1. Approval of Minutes of the March 8, 2011 meeting – The minutes were approved in a motion by Tash Duff, seconded by Lorraine Jones.

2. Treasurer's Report – Lorraine Jones reported that available funds total \$6,805.13. A donation of \$100.00 was given to ElderNet in support of their May 1st annual fundraiser. Commissioner Zelov commented favorably on the value of services that ElderNet provides to Lower Merion and Narberth citizens.

3. Update of "Art in Sharpe Park" – Jane Carton reported that Wayne Hunt has applied for an insurance policy covering HCA for general liability, as required by the Township for special events. Jane displayed a watercolor print of the park in spring bloom donated by artist Joe Barker for use in any, and all, print material to be used for posters and mailers. Several artists have visited the park to claim their location. Jane and Wayne will meet with Tom Hayden to produce the publicity material, as well as to obtain a jpeg image to be posted on the HCA website.

4. Federation of Civics Report – No report

5. Commissioners' Reports -

Scott Zelov (Ward 10)

- Commissioner Zelov reported that the Bryn Mawr Acme will close for renovation on May 12 and is expected to reopen on March 2, 2012.
- A zoning board public hearing will take place on Thursday, April 14, at the Township Building at 75 E. Lancaster Ave in Ardmore. It is a continuation of the March 3rd hearing seeking a special exception for the Haverford School to build a 1,200 sq. ft. one- story extension to the Palmer House located at 450 W. Lancaster Ave. in Haverford.

- The proposed plan for off-premises billboard signs to be installed on Lancaster Ave. in Haverford is approaching its two year anniversary and remains unresolved.
- The Lower Merion Parks and Recreation Plan will be up for discussion in a public meeting to be held on Wednesday, April 27 from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Township Building at 75 E. Lancaster Avenue in Ardmore. Information on the plan can be found on the Township's website.
- At the March 23rd Commissioner's Meeting, after a long series of zoning hearings, the eleven Commissioners present unanimously approved plans for ball field upgrades on St. Joseph's Maguire Campus in Merion.
- The new parking meters have been installed in and around Haverford. All present commented favorably on the convenience of the 10 minute free-time period. The Smart Card Program is expected to be implemented later in the year.
- The Ludington Library reconstruction is on schedule and on budget. Reopening is expected in September.
- A "suspend or continue" discussion of the deer culling program took place at the April 6th Commissioner's meeting. Police Superintendent Michael McGrath reported that although 127 deer were culled in November and December, there has been no decline in reported deer/vehicle collisions. His recommendation is to suspend the program for the remainder of 2011, while the Commissioners recommended that it be resumed in November. Superintendant McGrath noted that there has been a drop in the reported cases of Lyme disease. Although this item was on the agenda, no action was taken.
- On Saturday, September 10, a celebration of "Bryn Mawr-100 Years" will take place. The festivities will include sidewalk sales, entertainment, food and tours of private homes and gardens located in Bryn Mawr built 100+ years ago. It is possible that the Ludington Library opening will coincide with the celebration.

Cheryl Gelber (Ward 5)

- Commissioner Gelber reported that the Sunday, April 10th Clover Market 2011 reopening was a resounding success. An expanded number of vendors participated, and the turnout of shoppers was outstanding.
- The Ardmore Transit Center project remains in flux. A discussion of proposed plans will continue at the scheduled Ad Hoc Ardmore Meeting on Thursday, April 21st at 6:30 p.m.
- DiBruno's opened its first suburban store in the Ardmore Farmer's Market on April 5th.
- On April 6, Township Commissioners voted for a full expansion and renovation of the Bala Cynwyd Library. Under the current plan, the library will be closed for approximately 14 months while under construction.

6. New Business – No new business was brought before the board.

7. Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

8. Next board meeting – Tuesday, May 10, 2011 at 7:30 p.m at Merion Cricket Club..

All Haverford residents are welcome to attend!

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Jane Carton, Secretary