

## Meeting of the Edgemoor Citizens Association Board of Directors – July 22, 2019

### Minutes

Present: David Barnes, Jeffrey Drichta, Josh Perelman, Huda Montemarano

Absent: Susan Hendrickson, Joyce Gwadz, Bridget Foist

Meeting Called to Order: 7:35 PM, Jeffrey Drichta's Home

#### Old Business – Action Items from Previous Meeting

##### 1. 2019 Membership Report (Josh)

We're at 336 households (vs. 332 last year). We discussed ways to increase membership, including hosting a wine/cheese type event for non-members.

Decisions: Hold a non-member event in September at the Edgemoor Club. Pay the club rental fee.

Action Items: Huda will obtain and prepare invitations. Josh will provide a list of non-member addresses. Jeffrey will reserve the Edgemoor Club.

##### 2. Vacant Assistant Secretary Position

The question is whether to fill the vacant position before the fall election and, if so, with whom. Jeffrey, Huda, and David met with Linda Wenger, who is interested in joining the board. She's new to the neighborhood and lives at 7424 Hampden Lane (in Edgemoor proper) with her husband and a high school aged child. She has another child away at college. She is currently working on her second master's degree. She previously served on the board of her Home Owners Association. She doesn't have any background in real estate law, zoning, or development issues, though she is willing to learn. She says she's a good planner and organizer and would like to help us get projects going. We discussed her background and interests.

Decisions: Subject to concurrence of the absent board members, we will appoint Linda to fill the vacant board position for the remainder of this term.

Action Items: David will contact the other board members for their input and, assuming they concur, work with Linda to get her established. [Note: all board members subsequently agreed, and Linda is now on the board.]

#### New Business

##### 1. Parking on Elm between Clarendon and Arlington

A resident contacted the board and asked if we could do anything about the lane line that is painted in the middle of Elm Street, between Clarendon and Arlington. The line appears to be painted too close to the north side of the street, such that cars traveling westbound in that lane are blocked by cars that are parked (legally) along the north curb.

Decisions: The board agreed to investigate.

Action Items: Jeffrey will contact DOT

##### 2. Fairfax/Hampden Intersection

A resident contacted the board several times about helping to get a 4-way stop at the intersection. Currently, cars traveling either way on Hampden have stops, but cars traveling on Fairfax do not have a stop. That causes confusion. Drivers on Hampden mistakenly believe it's a 4-way stop, so they pull out in front of the Fairfax traffic. I've spoken to other people who think this is a problem, too. Some say that all the intersections in the neighborhood should be 4-way stops. At the very least, there should at least be "Cross Traffic Does Not Stop" signs there.

We discussed the issue and noted that there are several other intersections with the same issue, and those should be included.

Decisions: The board agreed to investigate

Action Items: Jeffrey will get in touch with his DOT contacts about it. Huda agreed to help out if needed

### 3. Lighting on Elm Street ROW

A resident contacted the board and asked whether, now that we have a nice new walking path on the Elm Street ROW, can't we get path lighting (like currently exists on the continuation of the ROW west of Glenbrook).

We discussed the need to talk with homeowners along the right-of way before going to the County about it.

Decisions: The board agreed to look into this further, starting with the homeowners along the ROW.

Action Items: David will contact the individual who inquired about this to enlist her help, and will work on the homeowner contacts.

### 4. Traffic Calming (e.g., Speed Humps) on Fairfax between Manning and Bradley

A resident along this section of the road has inquired several times about the board helping convince the county to do more to slow down traffic along this block. Southbound traffic tends to speed up approaching the traffic light on Bradley Boulevard.

We discussed to county rules about traffic calming measures and how likely they are to agree to further measures along this short stretch of roadway.

Decisions: We agreed to contact the county DOT and ask them to look into the issue.

Action Items: Jeffrey will contact DOT.

### 5. Trees Impeding Sidewalks

A resident asked us to remind residents that they are responsible for pruning trees in front of their homes to prevent them from blocking or partially blocking sidewalks.

We discussed homeowner responsibilities vs. county responsibilities. It is probably not appropriate for homeowners to prune trees that are on the county right-of-way (those trees are county property).

Decisions: We decided to confirm the rules and then include an item in the monthly newsletter about it.

Action Items: David will look into this more.

## 6. ECA Mobile Website

We discussed the need to get a mobile-friendly website for the ECA. Although this is something we need to do eventually, it's not a high priority at this time and we agreed to take no action. Jeffrey will try to look into it more at a later date. No current decisions or action items.

## 7. ECA Financial Report

We discussed the need to do a financial report to the membership at the fall meeting.

Decisions: The treasurer will prepare a report for the meeting.

Action Items: Josh will handle this.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:55 PM