

Minutes- HALP Executive Committee meeting
Monday August 9th, 2010

Present: Kathy Murri, Jenny Pelissier, Sheila Rhodes-Dow
Wendy Kane, Robin Levine, Ron Michonski and Dan Richardson. Mr. Pancione was not in attendance due to a family matter but sent an update on key issues through Kathy Murri.

Visitors: Greg Kline, Kate Richardson, Fred and Marcie Cohen, Jonathon Westphal
Next meeting August 30th, 6:30 PM
Orientations

Agenda:

1) New Business from Homeowners:

a. #41 who is a renter wanted to speak to the issue of noise in the Park from their location. They wondered what could be done about it, if anything. They had moved here from Leverett with the hope of buying the property but were very surprised at the noise level from that location. They discussed whether a berm could cut down the noise; both the EC and the renter discussed the difficulty of constructing something so large

b. #40 requested that a huge tree limb be dealt with which was hanging over the parking area and also requested the area around the back of their house be considered as part of the mowing. It had not been previously identified on any mowing map but will be. The tree limb had already been scheduled for removal when the tree in front of #52 is removed.

c. Excess sand and the use of it were postponed until we have a clear answer from Mr. Pancione.

d. #109 requested a meeting to discuss compost and that meeting has taken place between an employee of Mr. Pancione, Mr. Jondrow and Kate Richardson. This meeting was to ensure that composters and lawn care workers are more in sync with each others needs.

e. #85 Greg Kline requested use of Normal Hall for an LPA sponsored event on August 18th involving a discussion of the history of the Park by David and Isabelle Baker and also requested use of Normal Hall for an LPA sponsored event on September 15th for Michelle Barker who works with the Mass Historical Commission who will discuss ways to preserve Laurel Park's history including what it might mean to become a registered historical community. The request was moved by Kathy Murri, Sheila seconded, all in favor.

f. Kate Richardson requested the use of the Dining Hall for LPA for August 21, 2010 for the Celebrating the Resilient Community event with workshops, a concert by Sarah Stockwell –Arthen and a potluck feast. Wendy moved the dining hall use be approved, Ron seconded - all in favor.

2). EC Business

a. The prior minutes were reviewed, amendments made, Kathy motioned and Dan seconded that the regular meeting minutes and executive session minutes be approved as amended. –all in favor.

b. A committee is being formed to discuss plans between LPA and HALP EC as LPA has indicated interest in making some payment toward the septic system in exchange for use of Normal Hall. Robin, Dan and Wendy will work on a draft proposal with LPA.

c. Dan Richardson reported the square footage of the Tabernacle. This information will be forwarded to our attorney for completion of the Master Deed change documents.

d. A Bylaw meeting will be set up in time to bring the proposals to the next EC meeting for final approval so the pre-meeting mailing can be done in a timely manner. Dan is in charge of that effort.

e. Follow up on correspondence was reviewed and sent out

f. LP map for pile pickup designation - This is a method of better ensuring pile pick up with homeowners being requested to mark on the post office bulletin board Map (which is being constructed) where pile pick ups are located so as to improve pick up location efforts for the lawn care staff. Wendy and Kathy will be working on this issue. A notice will go out to homeowners when this is established.

g. #100 request for tree limbs to be removed. She offered to contract and pay for limb removal herself if it was not deemed an urgent issue for EC tree work. She will be told of the need to get an insured tree person if she chooses to go ahead on her own behalf.

h. #33 follow up re patio proposal, he emailed us that his dimensions presented were incorrect but as long as he stays within his 15 feet he will be told it is ok

i. Speed bump issues. The EC is wondering whether grinding down under the road under the bumps would make them less noisy, or if replacing them with rubber speed bumps is a possibility. Sheila will speak to Mr. Pancione and get his take on the problem.

j. Post office lights- Ask Mr. Pancione to have the timer rechecked

3. Property Manager Report

a. Road repair schedule- Will be completed by the third week of September.

b. Water pipe and #110 pipe repair-update the cost is \$12, 500.

c. Posts and small "no parking" sign will be posted near #92 to ensure better parking habits

4. Recurring Business

a. Ad Hoc Committees- By Laws meeting is being set up

b. #83 update- we are reviewing the settlement offer with our attorney.

c. defining roles of EC members- postponed

d. Notice of the budget and by law meeting and advice for any homeowners who want to propose a by laws must go out to homeowners between September 4th and 18th in preparation for the September 25th meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9 p.m.

Respectfully submitted Wendy Kane