

AHCA Community Board Meeting MINUTES June 7, 2022 @ 7:30 PM Christian Temple Chapel Classroom AcademyHeightsMD.org

Called to Order at 7:32pm with President Joe Shinault presiding.

Board members in attendance: Joe Shinault, Meg Dandy, Cathy Guenterberg, Rita Hall, Christie Kearney, Linda Barnes, Mary Cummings, Doug Kampe, Chris Burke, Stephen Smith, Adrienne Vedeloff, Reagan Williams, Chris Waterman

Members absent: Joanna Rutkowski, Nikki Green

Minutes from May 3, 2022 approved.

Community Outreach (Officer Boone) Incident 1 - attempted robbery of two persons that were sitting in their car. Preparator had a handgun and ordered gentleman out of the car; One victim was grazed with a bullet. Incident 2 – Gentleman left at 4:30 to get coffee and returned 10 minutes later to find that a man had entered his house and was in basement (while family upstairs). PLEASE lock doors and secure doors!!

Treasurer's Report – Truist Bank checking balance is \$8,469.45. T. Rowe Price - \$20,262.12.

Architectural Committee -

New application – no new applications.

Privacy fence/"wall" – to discuss in new business

Current Violations – 328 Whitfield – asphalt roof being put up; Informed of covenants and they will need to replace with slate. 408 Stratford – privacy fence on porch was denied earlier this year, but fence is built recently (to follow up). 462 Whitfield certified letter sent 2 months ago regarding kitchen window, in communication. Outstanding violations @ 350 Greenlow regarding door façade – in communication with homeowner.

Communication – Facebook at 535 members.

Welcome Committee – 2 new addresses to deliver welcome baskets to.

Environmental Committee – planted 7 trees around the baseball perimeter with help of the community and church. Still have trees if people would like them (20 or so). Will be planning on a liter pick up on Edmonson Avenue (kids can get volunteer hours for this) – contact Chris Burk.

Dues – Continue collecting 2022 dues; 20% have paid so far.

Old Business

Crosswalk Petition – Deputy director is reaching out to Howard County on their Safe Streets policy in how to we could implement this with Edmonson.

Yard Sale – Weather did not cooperate on May 7 & May 14. Will try again in the fall.

Dumpster Day – May 21st – filled up in 2 hours. Thank you to the Kulnich's.

Block Party – Date set - September 24th. Need sponsors and to plan activities (balloon guy, face painting, etc). For \$150 sponsors will get a table, food, advertising on our local flyers (Joe has a letter stating what are the benefits to

Gardens – Thanks to those that planted flowers in our community

C.O.P. Grant – Grant approved for \$535 (\$200 of it is for NNO)

New Business

National Night Out - Tuesday August 2nd

Privacy Fences – Stratford has a privacy fence/wall. Brought up questions about if AHCA should allow privacy fences and if so, what specifications should be set. Board gearing towards some compromise: understanding of modern need for privacy while balancing the traditional feel of community. Will discuss more and present to the community.

Sheds – dimensions and current verbiage can have issues. Exploring a change in wording of the covenant to be clearer.

Open Forum: Reports of bats in homes. Playground approved for another 10 years. Whitfield has abandoned car on street. Roads in Catonsville are terrible – will follow up with Tom (chief of highway) regarding roads post construction. County may be coming out to assess community – Chris W and Rita to follow up. Trash being put out in bags and being ripped up, please place in trash cans.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 6, 2022 @ 7:30pm Adjourned at 20:50. Recorded by Meg Dandy.