

MINUTES
GROGAN'S MILL VILLAGE ASSOCIATION

November 16, 2020

The Board of Directors (the "Board") of the Grogan's Mill Village Association (the "Association") met in regular session, virtually via Zoom, and the roll was called of the members of the Board:

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| Edmund W. Chapman | President |
| Randy Brannen | Vice President |
| Emily Hoppel | Secretary |
| Russell Balsamo Jr. | Treasurer |
| Sara Bissig | Director |
| Marie Brannen | Director |
| Andrew Coakley | Director |
| Bruce Cunningham | Director |
| Mitzi Fredrick | Director |
| Neil Gaynor | Director |
| Pat Goodpastor | Director |
| Virginia Hill | Director |
| Kelly Lewis | Director |
| Franklin Palmer | Director |
| John Yoars | Director |

and all of the above were present, except Directors Bissig, M. Brannen, R. Brannen, Gaynor, and Yoars, thus constituting a quorum. Also present were Ms. Rena Dodd, Program Specialist; Specialist Eric Medina, Montgomery County Sheriff Department; and Dr. Ann Snyder, Woodlands Township Board member.

SHERIFF'S REPORT

Specialist Medina presented the Sheriff Department's Report outlining the statistical crime and law enforcement findings for October 2020, Zone 1. He also addressed some concerns from residents regarding homeless camps near the Village.

Grogan's Mill Specific Matters:

Specialist Medina also provided details on recent key public safety issues in Grogan's Mill.

APPROVE MINUTES OF AUGUST, SEPTEMBER, AND OCTOBER, 2020 MEETINGS

The Board considered the minutes of the August 17, September 21, and October 19, 2020

Board meetings. Director Chapman moved to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Director Palmer and passed unanimously.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Dr. Snyder gave updates on items of interest including the recent Township Board election (all 4 incumbents were re-elected), COVID-19 testing at the Township Building, Lighting of the Doves, the Ice Skating Rink, repair of the nature trail bridge, and the re-opening of the Township Building for Village Association meetings.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Director Chapman reviewed items of interest including coverage for the next Township Board meeting and needs in the Community.

Storm Sewer Inlet Markers - 14 people have been trained for the installation of the inlet markers and materials have been obtained.

Trolley Service Extension Request - A letter was sent from the GMVA to the Township Board requesting an extension of Trolley service to assist Grogan's Mill residents with access to a grocery store since Randall's has closed. Bruce and Ned will attend the next Board meeting.

Mitchell Island - Hughes Corp. has amended their replat request. Originally the island was to be developed into 19 single family homes. It will now be somewhere between 25 and 30, an improvement over the 58 originally proposed in the replat.

Township Board Meetings - Director Chapman encouraged GMVA Board members to attend the 4th Wednesday Township Board meetings.

GMA 14 Subsidence Letter - The letter has been shared with the Board and is ok to circulate. Important to reducing excessive pumping of water.

Director Chapman asked the Board whether an earlier meeting time would be feasible. Director Hoppel stated that an earlier time could be challenging.

BRIEFING ITEMS

PROGRAM SPECIALIST REPORT

Ms. Dodd reported on that Township will be closed November 26 and 27. She inquired whether the Village would participate in the Christmas lighting contest. The Board discussed and noted that GMVA has opted not to participate, and instead decorates the monument signs.

PAST AGENDA ITEMS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

GMVA CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Board discussed cancelling the annual Christmas Party, and instead donating the budgeted \$2,500 in funds to families in need. Director Hill suggested donating the funds to Interfaith. Discussion ensued. After discussion Director Chapman tabled the matter for later discussion.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

AGING IN PLACE

Director Cunningham reported on relevant news from AIPTW including virtual meetings and book clubs. A full year membership was given to all members due to the economic hardships of 2020. Contactless thermometers have been purchased for drivers to use when transporting to essential appointments.

HUD LETTER

The Board discussed a letter from Housing and Urban Development requesting feedback from local organizations on proposed funding of improvements at Fawn Ridge Apartments. Director Cunningham reported that he spoke to the Manager of the Apartments and the funding will be used to make helpful improvements to the complex. Discussion ensued regarding whether to send a letter supporting the funds. Director Coakley expressed concerns regarding crime and property values and requested copies of the HUD letter and the proposed GMVA Letter of Support. Director Cunningham noted that the Apartments were built in the 70's and have always been HUD funded. Director Hoppel moved to approve the Letter of Support. The motion received no second, therefore Director Chapman tabled the matter for a later vote by email.

FARMER'S MARKET

Farmer's Market reported that market traffic is still slower than usual. A Halloween event was held including a costume contest for vendors.

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

There was nothing to report for the Sunshine Committee.

GM SHOPPING CENTER

There were no updates.

REPORTS FROM OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

TREASURER'S REPORT

Director Balsamo reported on GMVA finances.

GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS/ MUD LIAISON

There were no updates.

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COUNCIL

Director Hill gave an update on matters related to Parks & Recreation.

RDRC LIAISON

There was no update as the RDRC has not been meeting. The DSC is currently handling all requests.

GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS/THE WOODLANDS TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETINGS

There was no additional report.

SCHOOL LIAISON

Director Hoppel reported that Knox had not yet cashed their donation check from the GMVA, and she is awaiting follow-up regarding whether GMVA needs to issue a new check. She also reported on a memorial bench installed at Wilkerson Intermediate in memory of Melanie Beach, a math teacher at the school who passed away in April.

ADDITIONAL RESIDENT AND DIRECTOR COMMENTS

No comments were made at this meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the Board concurred to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 p.m.

President, Board of Directors



Secretary, Board of Directors