



**TOWN CENTER COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 6, 2017**

APPROVED 

The regular meeting of the Town Center Community Association Board of Directors was held on Wednesday, September 6, 2017, at Historic Oakland Manor. Those in attendance were Board Chair Linda Wengel, Board Vice Chair Joel Broida, Board Members Kirsten Coombs and Lynn Foehrkolb, Columbia Council Representative Lin Eagan, Village Manager Jeryl Baker, Assistant Village Manager Patricia Loeber, and Covenant Advisor Tom Mungo. Also present were Ian Moller-Knudsen, Chris Lee, and Kevin Anderson.

At 7:00 p.m., Mr. Broida made a motion, seconded by Ms. Foehrkolb, to approve the agenda as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Coombs made a motion, seconded by Mr. Broida, to approve the August 9, 2017, minutes as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

Resident Speakout

New Town Center resident Chris Lee introduced himself to the Board.

Appointment of New Board Member and Architectural Committee Member

After brief discussion, Ms. Coombs made a motion, seconded by Ms. Foehrkolb, to appoint Kevin Fitzgerald to the Town Center Board of Directors. The motion carried unanimously.

Architectural Committee

- *Woodford C Condominium Association:* Remove two trees: a dead maple and a declining crabapple. **After discussion, Ms. Coombs made a motion, seconded by Mr. Broida, to approve the application with a recommendation to replace the trees with some other plant material. The motion carried unanimously.**

Order of Business

Downtown Development

Ms. Wengel noted that the Howard County Department of Planning and Zoning sent a letter to The Howard Hughes Corporation that its development plan is not in conformance. Traffic, flood plain, and shadow studies must be submitted. Board members concurred that the statues presently in the Downtown need to be relocated to a suitable space.

Gaither Room Possible Name Change

Board Members agreed to change the name of the second-floor reception room of Oakland from Gaither to Magnolia. Ms. Baker said that she is working on a replacement for the Civil War Trails marker on the Oakland grounds.

CA Budget Hearings Memo

Following a brief discussion, Ms. Foehrkolb made a motion, seconded by Mr. Broida, to approve a statement to the Columbia Association (CA) Board of Directors advocating for a playground in Merriweather Park at Symphony Woods. The motion carried unanimously.

Action Items for Board's Strategic Goals

Safety and Traffic: **Ms. Coombs made a motion, seconded by Ms. Foehrkolb, to establish a Town Center resident Safety and Traffic Committee. The motion carried unanimously.** The committee will consist of residents Geoffrey Klopp (Chair), Cindy Dominique, and Ian Moller-Knudsen.

Approval of FY 2018 First Quarter Financials

Following discussion, Ms. Coombs made a motion, seconded by Mr. Broida, to approve the First Quarter Financial Reports with Variance Explanations as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

Staff Vacation Policy Modification

After a brief discussion, Mr. Broida made a motion, seconded by Ms. Coombs, to approve the vacation policy modification as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

Board and Staff Reports

Chairperson's Report

Ms. Wengel announced that a new executive director has been hired by the Downtown Partnership.

Columbia Council Report

Ms. Eagan said that the CA Board is preparing for the budget process. There will be a final vote at the CA Board's March meeting. The Paris Climate Accord will be discussed at its October meeting. Ms. Eagan mentioned that the Inner Arbor Trust (IAT) has submitted a budget request to CA for pathways in Merriweather Park at Symphony Woods. Upcoming IAT events include a Halloween party and a performance of the ballet *Giselle*.

Manager's Report

Ms. Baker reported that she is working on annexation of the Lakehouse Apartments at Little Patuxent Square.

Board Member Comments

Nothing further at this time.

Adjournment of Meeting

Ms. Coombs made a motion, seconded by Ms. Foehrkolb, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting of the Town Center Village Board adjourned at 8:14 p.m. The next scheduled meeting of the Town Center Village Board will be Wednesday, October 11, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. at Historic Oakland Manor.

Recorded and attested to by:


Jeryl B. Baker, Secretary/Treasurer


Date