



HICKORY RIDGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
Village Board Meeting Minutes
December 17, 2018, 7:30 pm
at The Hawthorn Center

Members Present: Allison Sultan, Skye Anderson, LaTonya Bland, and Fred Johnston. CA Council Representative Gregg Schwind

Staff Present: Anne Kulesza, Joan Lancos

Guests: There were no audience members

Call to Order: 7:32 pm

1. **Approval of Agenda:** The agenda was approved as submitted.
2. **Approval of December 3, 2018 Meeting Minutes:** The minutes were approved as submitted.
3. **Resident Speak Out:** There were no residents present.
4. **New Business:**
 - **Financial Policy:** The Board discussed and approved the use of online banking to perform standard banking processes.
5. **Old Business:** None
6. **Reports:**
 - **CA Board of Directors Report:** Mr. Schwind announced that Renee DuBois has been appointed as the CA Board representative for River Hill Village. Mr. Schwind mentioned several upcoming development projects in the area. The CA Board is looking at options to pay for repair of stream erosion in Columbia. There has also been discussion of taking over Architectural Covenant enforcement of some of the industrial parks. He also noted that CA granted an easement to allow the County to upgrade the pathway along a portion of Cedar Lane.
 - **Manager's Report:** Ms. Kulesza updated the Board on the bathroom renovation dates and details. She was still waiting for written specifics from CA. Regarding 2019 leases for The Hawthorn Center, one lease has been signed and two are out for signature. As of December 14, the Zoning Board has not set a date for the hearing on the proposed village center redevelopment. She stated that a resident had requested that signage be placed around the community to advertise the regularly scheduled January 7, 2019 meeting where the Board will discuss changes to its position on the redevelopment. She noted that the six previous times when signs had been placed had been for meetings that had (1) been held by entities other than the Village Board, and (2) were held at locations other than The Hawthorn Center. The Board reiterated its position that there was no need for additional signage to be placed for the January 7 Board meeting. It was noted that signs will be placed to advertise the Zoning Board hearing once it has been scheduled.
7. **Board Comments:** Ms. Anderson expressed safety concerns about Hickory Ridge Road near the entrance to Hickory Plaza.
8. **Action Items:** Ms. Kulesza will make the adjustments to the online banking services.
9. **Executive Session:** At 8:17 pm, Mr. Johnston made a motion to close the meeting to discuss a legal issue and a personnel matter. Ms. Bland seconded. The motion passed 4-0. The Board went into closed session at 8:18pm. Those present during the executive session were LaTonya Bland, Fred Johnston, Allison Sultan, Skye Anderson, Gregg Schwind, and Anne Kulesza, who left briefly during the personnel matter discussion. At 8:46 pm, Mr. Johnston made a motion to reopen the meeting. Ms. Bland seconded. The only action taken during the meeting was approval of holiday bonuses for Association staff members.
10. **Adjournment:** The Board meeting was adjourned at 8:49 by Ms. Sultan.