



**HICKORY RIDGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**  
**Village Board Meeting Minutes**  
**January 22, 2019, 7:30 pm**  
**at The Hawthorn Center**

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

**Staff Present:** Anne Kulesza, Joan Lancos

**Guests:** About 27 audience members

**Call to Order:** 7:30 pm

1. **Approval of Agenda:** The agenda was approved as submitted.
2. **Approval of January 7, 2019 Meeting Minutes:** Mr. Schwind noted that he provided a written report rather than orally since he was out of the room speaking to residents.
3. **Resident Speak Out:** A resident asked whether the Board had information about shots fired on Bridlerein Terrace. Multiple residents spoke about their disappointment that the Board was considering submitting an addendum to the Community Response Statement (CRS) for the village center redevelopment. Several residents expressed outright opposition to the draft addendum. The Board reiterated their reasons for consideration of an addendum including the recommendations from various county entities in favor of the plan, current conditions at the village center, and the desire to place in writing concessions already negotiated with Kimco.
4. **New Business:**
  - **15-Day Letter for 10526 East Wind Way:** The Board approved a resolution 5-0 to send a 15-Day Letter to the property owner regarding a covenant violation.
  - **Purchase of Computer Equipment:** Ms. Kulesza stated that she would like to complete the upgrade of office computers by purchasing two more computers and monitors. The Board approved 5-0 the purchase up to \$3000.
5. **Old Business:**
  - **Community Response Statement Addendum Draft:** Ms. Sultan reminded audience members that the Board had received much testimony from residents at meetings and via email. She noted that the Board would now discuss the addendum without additional input. After discussion and input from a resident, Mr. Johnston made a motion to approve the addendum with the language that the Board “requests that the Zoning Board reject the proposed redevelopment plan unless the five requirements are met.” Ms. Bland seconded. Ms. Duvall expressed concern that young families and new residents were not represented in the comments heard by the Board. She stated that she believed the addendum was a “negotiation” and using the negative language is just a reiteration of the Community Response Statement. Ms. Duvall made a motion to amend the motion on the floor to go back to the original language to “support the proposed redevelopment plan only if the five points are met.” Ms. Anderson seconded. The motion to amend the original motion passed 4-1 with Ms. Bland voting no. The main motion as amended was passed 4-1 with Ms. Bland voting no.
6. **Reports:**
  - **CA Board of Directors Report:** Mr. Schwind stated that the Millennial Working Group Report was presented to the CA Board and that CA is actively working to engage the age group. He stated that CA is continuing to explore working with the Inner Arbor Trust to construct a building in the Chrysalis area to accommodate concession sales and other activities. The FY 2020 Budget will take effect May 1. CA is considering support of the upgrades to several low-income properties. Mr. Schwind reminded the Board that he had provided them with his written report after the last meeting.
  - **Manager’s Report:** Ms. Kulesza provided updates regarding the bathroom renovation scheduled to begin on January 28. The February 4 Village Board meeting and the February 6 RAC meeting will take place at Amherst House in Kings Contrivance. She reminded everyone that village elections take place on April 27.

She asked them if they wanted to continue the Student Member program and when she should plan to have a new member on board.

7. **Board Comments:** Ms. Bland noted that the past several meetings have been very tough and that the Board is doing a great job. Ms. Duvall thanked the Board for their support. She was disappointed to note that two village center signs had been vandalized. Ms. Anderson said she is disappointed that Ladies Night Out won't happen this year. She asked staff if they could provide a monthly calendar of "to do" items for the Board. She thanked Ms. Sultan for providing the short, mid and long-term visions to the County Executive. Ms. Sultan thanked everyone for their efforts and noted that she appreciated their thoughtfulness in the process. She suggested that the Board may want to remind the Executive of its list a year from now. She attended a Village Chair's meeting where CA discussed its strategic plan.
8. **Action Items:** Staff will update the proposed draft addendum to reflect the Board's discussion. Staff will send it to the Village's attorney for review. Staff will work on creating a timeline of annual village events that typically take place. Ms. Kulesza will contact the village Police Liaison regarding the report of shots fired on Bridlerein Terrace in the Hickory Hollow townhouse community. Ms. Kulesza will send the current Student Member application to the Board for review. A 15-day letter will be sent to the owners of 10526 East Wind Way.
9. **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 9:56 pm by Ms. Sultan.