

AT A MEETING OF THE DUMFRIES TOWN COUNCIL AND THE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATIONS, HELD ON APRIL 17, 2014, AT 6:00 P.M., IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 17755 MAIN STREET, DUMFRIES, VIRGINIA:

THERE WERE PRESENT: Mayor Gerald Foreman
Vice-Mayor Willie Toney (departed mid-meeting)
Charles Brewer
Derrick R. Wood (arrived mid-meeting and departed prior to conclusion)

THERE WERE ABSENT: Kristin Forrester
Helen Reynolds
Gwen Washington

OTHERS PRESENT: Gary Ayers, Board Member Port of Dumfries HOA
Dorothy Dye, Vice-President Williamstown HOA
Christy Hart, President Williamstown HOA
William Noaker, President South Cove HOA
Joyce Stewart, Secretary/Treasurer Williamstown HOA

IN RE: INTRODUCTIONS

Everyone in the room introduced themselves.

IN RE: TOWN SERVICES

- ✓ Community Center Usage Policy – in reference to HOA’s category/security deposit (review category and usage). The HOA’s concerns are the HOA’s should be able to utilize the Jeff Simpson Community & Cultural Arts Center on a monthly basis for the Board of directors to meet with the homeowners and not have to pay a fee.
- ✓ Notary Services – The HOA’s asked what the notary services policy is.
- ✓ Decals – Williamstown issues over 700 HOA decals – vehicles that park along the streets are the individuals who will not pay the Vehicle License Tax – need to be enforced by the Police Department – sometimes the vehicles are ticketed but not towed on trash days.
- ✓ Call was made this morning about the 15 to 20 cars parked along the street - the response provided was there are no Officers’ due in until 10:00 a.m. (Look at hours of Police Department) it was stated that on Wednesday mornings vehicles are supposed to be off the streets by 6:00 a.m.
- ✓ Tagging occurring on the electrical boxes and mail boxes (gang activity).
- ✓ More walking Police patrols were requested through Williamstown and South Cove.

- ✓ Additional Police Officers presence was requested during the time buses are dropping students off after school (2:30 p.m.) – Old Triangle Road.
- ✓ Police patrols should occur in the cul-de-sacs and between the fences (in common areas).
- ✓ Additional Police Officers are requested to be scheduled on weekends.
- ✓ Animal Control - unresponsive to calls.
- ✓ Ginn Memorial Park gate – chain was removed at the bottom and pried up. It should be incumbent upon the Town to maintain fences and direct traffic to the main street for ingress and egress of pedestrians.
- ✓ Ginn Memorial Park fencing – wanted gap closed between chain link and wood fence & secured (no access to the park except from Graham Park Road)
- ✓ Wood fence falling down (Mr. Wood mentioned the recent survey shows that the wooden fence is not on Town property).
- ✓ Discussion was centered as to who owned the 80 acres bordering the creek (trash accumulating) – it was determined it was the Campbell’s property – Request was made to have a map drawn up (big scroll) that shows Williamstown’s property line in relation to Quantico Creek and the watershed
- ✓ Old Triangle Road and Kearsage - street sweeper, the schedule for the sweeper is posted on the Town’s website. The HOA’s requested that signage be posted notifying when street sweeping will be occurring.
- ✓ Dump Trucks being parked on Town roads (Pointe Center Court) – Town has an ordinance dealing with weight.
- ✓ Parking in front of fire hydrants, mailboxes, and bus stops – MOU with PWC Fire Marshall.
- ✓ Request a Police Officer to attend HOA meetings.
- ✓ Emergency Snow Routes – additional signs (the Mayor noted that the code is to be reviewed by the Town Manager and that the Town Manager is to contact HOA’s for input).
- ✓ No parking signs in the cul-de-sac (bus loop) still not installed.
- ✓ Driveway pad disintegrating (coming out of the courts) - painting has not been done (Old Triangle Road).
- ✓ Police vehicles outside the Town additionally there are no police cars in the lot in the early morning.

- ✓ Buell Court – it appears that a brothel (called Backpage) is in operation.
- ✓ Is the Multimodal Project on the website?

IN RE: PROPOSED FY15 BUDGET

- ✓ Police Officers.
- ✓ Next Phase of the Park – should be presented prior to adoption of the budget.

IN RE: WHAT INFORMATION ARE THE HOA’S NOT GETTING?

IN RE: OTHER ITEMS TALKED ABOUT

Ms. Stewart asked again for assistance or guidance on who to contact concerning the issue she is having with the tenant (renter) next door who is dumping cigarette butts, food, trash, animal feces, etc. over the fence into her backyard. The Mayor recommended that she contact the Town Attorney for direction on how to proceed.

It was discussed that of the importance of the HOA’s to meet with the Council at a minimum on an annual basis. The HOA’s were reminded that the Town Manager and Staff were available to attend HOA’s meetings upon request, and the HOA’s were encouraged to take advantage of their Town government’s availability.

Minutes submitted by

Approved by

Dawn Hobgood
Town Clerk

Gerald M. Foreman
Mayor