

MINUTES

HOWARD COUNTY CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION

11 AUGUST 2009

PRESENT: Bridget Mugane, President; Cathy Hudson, Vice President; Lloyd Knowles, Treasurer; Walter Carson, Secretary; Brian England, Stephen Meskin, Barbara Russell, and Joel Yesley.

INVITED GUESTS: Lillian Shapiro and Robert Tennenbaum.

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Howard County Citizens' Association (HCCA) was held on Tuesday, August 11th, 2009, at the home of Brian England. A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m., President Mugane presiding.

It was VOTED to adopt the Agenda, as amended. A copy of the amended Agenda is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

It was voted to approve the Minutes of the July 9th, 2009 Board of Directors' meeting.

The Board received the Treasurer's Report. Lloyd Knowles indicated an account balance of \$6,371. A copy of his Report is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Directors was set for Thursday, September 3rd, 2009, at the home of Lloyd Knowles. The Secretary was instructed to inform Ray Cole of this meeting date so that it might be "posted" at HCCA's website.

The Board requested Angie Beltram contact Joel Rutter for a summary of what plans, if any, have been determine for the Dougregan Manor properties. This inquiry is premised on news of Ericson Retirement Center's decision not to proceed with its proposed development of that site. Beltram is to report to the Board at the September meeting.

Barbara Russell confirmed a meeting with Columbia Association President Nelson. The meeting is to last one hour. Russell agreed to prepare an agenda for the meeting; and she solicited questions and/or talking from Board members. Russell will confirm the exact time and date; and, notify Board members accordingly.

Following a report from Robert Tennenbaum regarding his application to place certain Lakefront Columbia Downtown buildings on the Maryland Historic Trust "Endangered Historic Properties" list, it was VOTED that HCCA agrees to serve as a not-for-profit partner organization on the application. (Cathy Hudson did not vote on this motion.)

After a discussion the Board VOTED to recommend the general membership four amendments to HCCA's Bylaws. These proposed amendments are attached hereto; and, made a part hereof. The exact language of the proposed amendments will appear on HCCA's website.

Vice President Cathy Hudson conducted a survey of members present to determine their ranking of possible issue areas for HCCA portfolios. The results are attached hereto and made a part hereof. The results were, in the following descending order, with volunteers for each portfolio indicated in brackets: Political Influence [Knowles], PELU Implementation [England], Environment/Emergency Room Healthcare [Yesley, England and Russell], Community Outreach [Mugane], Legislative Initiatives [Knowles], Internships [England], and, Public Education. Following a discussion of the survey results portfolio assignments were made as indicated above.

Responding to a letter from Jud Malone, indicating he would no longer provide a website platform for HCCA internet activities, it was VOTED, (1) to instruct Ray Cole to find a new website host platform for HCCA internet activities; and, (2) to express HCCA appreciation and gratitude to Jud Malone for his services to HCCA and its members.

The Board meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Walter E. Carson

Secretary