

HCCA Board Minutes May 8, 2019

Board Attendees: Stu Kohn, President, Lisa Markovitz, Vice President, JD Smith, Treasurer, Alan Schneider, Secretary, Brian England, Jervis Dorton, Paul Verchinski, Hiruy Hadgu, and Howard Johnson. Absent: Susan Garber

Treasurer's Report and the minutes of the last meeting were approved.

Stu discussed the Milk Producers property on Route 216 and Gorman Road which will be developed containing 394 units and we were extremely disappointed that CB11-2019 the Scenic Roads Bill was vetoed by the County Executive.

There was discussion regarding the preparation for our meeting with County Executive scheduled for 23 May. The purpose of the meeting is for the County Executive to get an overview of what to expect at our 11 June HCCA Annual Meeting as he is the Guest of Honor.

Spoke about the preparation of our HCCA Annual Meeting to include Award Nominations, Coordination of Co-hosts, Food arrangements, and our Question to County Executive. The co-hosts are the Chinese American Parent Association, Concerned Citizens of Western Howard County, Dayton Rural Preservation Society, Greater Highland Crossroads Association, Howard County Association for Responsible Planning, Indivisible HoCo, Mobilize HoCo Schools, The People's Voice, PTA Council of HC, Savage Community Association, and the Sierra Club of HC.

Brian / JD discussed the latest NT Status and Strategy

Stu discussed the latest regarding the Charter Review Commission which he is a member.

Deliberated as to whether HCCA should testify on Legislation to the Council on 20 May.

There was discussion on previous HCCA testimony and our thoughts as to the outcome of the following:

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- CB17 -- Altering the number of consecutive years a project or phase of a project must be retested each time the County Council

- CR-49 -- DRRA

- CR51 – by Councilman Yungmann to amend County Charter Section 302 - to provide that certain appointments are subject to confirmation by the County Council; and submitting this amendment to the voters of Howard County.

ACTIONS:

Provide the Order of Presentation to Kim Pruim Community Liaison for County Executive as a preliminary to our HCCA Annual Meeting on 11 June.

Brian / Lisa are to look into MD Insurance.

Hiruy is to inform Pat Hersey and Alisa Neifield of their pending HCCA Activist of the year award.

Hiruy is to deliver Columbia Books to Oakland Mills HS to be given as complimentary gifts to HCCA Annual Meeting audience.

Brain / Jervis will be responsible for bringing water bottles to venue.

Lisa will be testifying at the Charter Review Commission scheduled for 4 June.