



Coulwood Community Council Board of Directors

Meeting Minutes
January 12, 2015

Opening

The regular meeting of the Coulwood Community Council Board of Directors was called to order at 7:00 PM on January 12, 2015 in the Coulwood Clubhouse, 506 Coulwood Drive, by Gus Kretschmer, President.

Attendees & Guests

Board members in attendance were Gus Kretschmer, Louie Scarnechia, JoAnne Shoemake, Linda Groff, Allen Reynolds, and Marge Sweigart. Guests in attendance were Kim Barnes and Hencil Cannon.

Guest Concerns

- Hencil Cannon expressed his concerns about vandalism in the park and on the nature trail and also evidence he has found of sexual activity going on in the park. He believes the culprits are most likely teenagers. He has spoken to police officers and they suggested that, since the park is private property, the board submit a letter to CMPD giving the officers authorization to act if they see anything suspicious. Gus will follow up with Officer Hartley.
- Hencil also asked about the possibility of the Boy Scout troop from Cook's Presbyterian camping out at the park. Gus said that they are welcome to use the park anytime that the clubhouse is not being rented. Hencil also offered, for future events, the use of a large grill that the Boy Scouts had used over the fire pit at the park.
- Kim Barnes, from the City of Charlotte Neighborhood & Business Services, came to introduce herself and explain how she serves the neighborhoods in our area as a source of support, resources, and information regarding non-enforcement issues. One suggestion she made was to come up with a marketing plan for the Coulwood community. We would need to find someone in the neighborhood to head that up.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Gus Kretschmer made a motion to approve the December 8, 2014 meeting minutes by acclamation. The motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

- Linda Groff, Treasurer, reported that the income for 12/9/2014 through 1/12/2015 was \$2,488.49. Expenses for the same period totaled \$3,411.40. The bank balance as of 1/12/2015 was \$4,059.07.

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- Gus Kretschmer made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report by acclamation. The motion passed.

Committee Reports

Welcoming (Allen Reynolds):

- Allen has just taken over responsibilities for welcoming new neighbors. He plans to meet with Rosse this week to go over procedures and get the materials from her.

House (JoAnne Shoemake):

- Nothing to report.

Membership/Grievance:

- Nothing to report.

Entertainment/Athletic (Gerry Roberts):

- Not in attendance, so no report.

Building/Grounds/Maintenance (Louie Scarnechia):

- Louie is going to clean out the gutters when the weather gets warmer.

Unfinished Business

1. Repair/replacement of broken pool lounge chairs - No updates on repairing the chairs, but Gus said that there are some lounge chairs at the Oakdale pool that are being discarded. Louie will pick them up if they are still available.
2. Avon Fundraiser – no update
3. Bill for wading pool coping repair – Gus met with DJ Scott and the contractor at the pool to review what had been done. It was determined that there was a misunderstanding, and the contractor only repaired what was necessary to pass inspection and did not do all of the cosmetic repairs that we were expecting. The contractor will paint the entire coping and repair the two large areas on the deck that they missed, at no additional cost to us.
4. Nomination of new board member – We still need one more board member.
5. New person to head up membership – We don't have anyone yet to take over membership responsibilities from Jill Robbins. Gus and Linda will cover it until we can find a replacement.

New Business

1. TreesCharlotte's Neighborwoods Program – Coulwood is eligible to receive trees and planting assistance from the city. Louie will look into it.
2. CharMeck Spay/Neuter Clinic – Gus will ask Jill to post information about this program on Facebook and Nextdoor.
3. Review of 2014 board retreat goals –

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- a. Our three goals were 1) keep the 4th of July celebration going 2) get more volunteers for committees and 3) do updates/repairs to pool and clubhouse.
 - b. We talked about using social media more to promote our neighborhood, to publicize events, and to encourage more involvement. Allen said that he will use Twitter to market Coulwood, using #Coulwood.
 - c. We will use email more to promote events and get information out to members.
4. Rezoning Petition 2015-11 – There will be a public hearing on February 16, 2015 for property located on the east side of Valleydale directly across from Mellwood Drive. The petition is to change the zoning from R-4 to INST (CD) in order to build a 3,500 square foot daycare with parking lot.
 5. Movie night – Allen suggested have a movie night in the park sometime in the Spring.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Gus Kretschmer, President.

The next regular board meeting will be on Monday, February 9, 2015.

Minutes submitted by: Marge Sweigart, Secretary