



Wilde Lake Village Board Meeting
April 3, 2023

CALL TO ORDER

A hybrid meeting of the Wilde Lake Village Board was called to order by Kevin McAliley, Chair, on April 3, 2023 at 6:32 p.m. Members present were: Tina Horn, Vice-Chair, Chuck Yarbrough, Kondi Walter-Smith, Executive Director/Village Manager, Sharon Cooper-Kerr, and Dale Wasmus, board secretary.

Members absent due to vacations were Steve Campbell and Bill Santos, Wilde Lake Rep to the Columbia Association Board.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: *Ms. Horn made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Yarbrough seconded the motion. All in favor.*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: *Ms. Horn made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of March 20, 2023. Mr. Yarbrough seconded the motion. All in favor.*

RESIDENT SPEAKOUT: Ms. Kondi Walters-Smith spoke about Ms. Pat Sutliff in honor of Women's History Month and for her outstanding community involvement. The neighbors of Bryant Woods recognized Ms. Sutliff for her many contributions to the community. The neighbors showered Ms. Sutliff Pat with flowers and gifts.

Wilde Lake CARES Update – Susan Tucker – Columbia Clean Day was canceled due to the bad weather. On April 16, 2023, there will be a Snowy Reach Adopt a Spot Workday. The 6th Annual Plant Exchange will be held on Election Day at noon. The WLVB approved \$500 to purchase plants for the plant give-away to everyone who votes. Wilde Lake Cares will host the Rouse Rock Adopt a Spot Workday on April 29, 2023. On April 15, 2023 GreenFest will take place at Howard Community College with a lot of activities.

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

Presentation – Little Free Library and Beautification Grant – Jason Hoffman (Downwest Ridge Court).

Mr. Hoffman was unable to attend the meeting. Mr. McAliley briefly went through the presentation that Mr. Hoffman previously submitted.

Mr. Yarbrough made a motion to fund the Little Free Library as well as the Beautification Grant on Downwest Ride amount of \$411.00. Ms. Horn seconded the motion. All in favor.

Columbia and Climate Change - Ms. Cooper-Kerr advised that she attended a recent meeting of the Columbia Association's Climate Change & Sustainability Advisory Committee meeting. The meeting was held in person at the Long Reach Tennis Club and on Zoom. Based on recent reports, underserved families living as ALICE (Asset Limited Income Constrained Employed) will be disproportionately affected by the impacts of climate change ; this represents 28% of the population of Columbia.

Swimming Pool Poll Update Bryant Woods – Ms. Cooper-Kerr shared that forty-eight residents participated in the Doodle poll. Sixty-five percent of those polled would like to keep the wading pool and add a new filtration

system to comply with regulations established by the Maryland Department of Environment. **Mr. Yarbrough made a motion to close the Doodle poll and recommend to Columbia Association to keep the wading pool and comply with the Maryland Department of Environment. Ms. Horn seconded the motion. All in favor.**

Election Updates – Ms. Cooper-Kerr shared that this year’s Candidates’ Forum will be held in a hybrid setting on Tuesday, April 11, 2023. Last year it was noted that approximately fifty people attended the Candidates’ Forum via Zoom. We still need Election Day volunteers. The absentee ballots were mailed on March 31, 2023 and our residents should receive their ballots next week. There are ballot boxes in each Neighborhood Center and at Slayton House. The mailing for the election postcard will take place by the end of next week. The postcard will have a QR code that will lead to the Wilde Lake election site.

*** Select a date for alternative annual meeting (proposed: May 15, 2023) – Ms. Horn made a motion to accept the proposed date of May 15, 2023, for an alternate annual meeting date, if one is needed. Mr. Yarbrough seconded the motion. All in favor.**

Budget Update (FY2023) – vote on funding priorities – Ms. Cooper-Kerr previously submitted the Funding Priority list on the Google drive for the Wilde Lake Village Board members. **Mr. Yarbrough made a motion to approve the Budget Update (FY2023) – Funding Priorities. Ms. Walters-Smith seconded the motion. All in favor.*

CA Update: Ms. Cooper-Kerr shared that the interim president of the Columbia Association, Dennis Matthey, called her to inquire if Wilde Lake would be interested in having a representative from the Columbia Association attend our board meeting once per month to give updates about Columbia Association. At the May 2023 WLVB meeting Robin Stinson, CA, will spend approximately ten to fifteen minutes giving an update from Columbia Association.

Committees:

Education – Ms. Horn indicated that she had a conversation with the library.

Health and Wellness – Ms. Walters-Smith spoke about food insecurity, especially in the summer months. In support of Columbia Community Care, WLCA will be collecting canned food donations through April 22, 2023 at Slayton House.

Neighborhood Reps – The Neighborhood Reps kickoff meeting on March 23, 2023 was very well attended. There is a need for neighborhood representation in Faulkner Ridge.

AC Liaison – Mr. Campbell previously submitted his report on the Google drive for the WLVB members.

Executive Director/Village Manager – Ms. Cooper-Kerr shared that she has received permission from KIMCO to use their outside space for our Earth Day Celebration on Saturday, April 22, 2023. The event will include entertainment, a plant giveaway and trade, fitness demonstrations, games, food and more. The Special Events Manager position was posted, and we are receiving applications. Our last performance for Rainbow Theater, “Cantare”, had to be rescheduled from March and the new date is April 27, 2023. The Wedding Singer performance was a big success. The next play featured here will be Crucified on April 14 and 15, 2023. Ms.

Cooper-Kerr and Mr. McAliley met with Erika Chavarria, Executive Director, Columbia Community Care. Wilde Lake is one of the sponsors for their first annual Spring Fun Run/Walk which will end at Wilde Lake

on April 22, 2023.

Chair – Mr. McAliley shared that he and Ms. Cooper-Kerr recently read to 3rd graders at Bryant Woods Elementary School. The children sent thank you notes to both Ms. Cooper-Kerr and Mr. McAliley.