

Glencannon Community Association
Annual Meeting Minutes March 22, 2006

The Annual Meeting was held at Flint Hill Elementary School. Glencannon Community Association President Doug Strait presided over the meeting.

Doug called the meeting to order. Secretary Carol Ferrara read the minutes. Minutes were approved by those present. Doug then introduced the new members of the community and mentioned those in the community who have died this past year. He then thanked those in the community who have contributed much time and talent to keeping our neighborhood looking beautiful and running smoothly.

Candidates for election were introduced; Libby Baylies, Tom Bacigalupo, Dave Blankenship, Charley Ferrara and Fariba Tahmasebi each gave his/her history related to the neighborhood and mentioned ideas they were interested in pursuing in the coming year. Doug asked for nominations from the floor. There were no additional nominations. Ballots were collected and counted by Hugh Linneman.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Joe Hall reviewed the community's financial report. He stated that the books had been successfully audited by the Audit Committee. Only 11 months of books were audited due to the fact that the fiscal year is not yet over. To date 6 properties have not paid their dues; one of those owes for two years. As the title of a property cannot pass to another owner until all dues are paid Joe anticipates that all dues will be reclaimed. Joe explained the procurement policy that the board has passed and is recommending that subsequent boards retain. Goods and services that cost over \$300 should be put up for at least two competitive bids. Written documents, such as a contract or purchase order should set forth the particulars of the agreement and are to be executed by the GCA Treasurer. No "blank check authorizations" will be considered. The award of a contract is by simple majority of the board. The full "Procedure for Procurement of Goods and Services" statement has been distributed to the community electronically and is on file.

By-laws Changes.

Doug introduced the by-laws changes. He stated that Glencannon Covenants take precedence over By-laws and cannot be changed. The statement regarding annual allowed increases in dues without special approval is inconsistent between the Covenants and By-Laws. Doug proposed to change the By-laws to be consistent with the Covenants. After some questions from the floor a vote was held and the changes to the By-laws were accepted.

Maintenance Committee Report

Dana Hanton thanked those who have worked on fall and spring clean ups, especially Ron Schmiedekamp. She urged people to attend this year's spring clean up. Ron Schmiedekamp encouraged people to help with clean up, bringing wheel barrows or any

other suitable tools; if they are not available April 1 he will take helpers other times as well.

A heavy storm this spring resulted in lots of tree damage. Glencannon had to pay for an extra clean up to get rid of debris. Glencannon has hired a commercial company to help with this spring's clean up.

Dana has researched what our neighborhood can do about speeders on Garrett Street. She has contacted Supervisor Hudgins to explore the options of traffic calming measures that may be available to us. This may be a difficult task as we would have to get a 2/3 majority agreement of those in our neighborhood and surrounding neighborhoods as well. Those present were asked to give a show of hands for those who would be in favor of looking into traffic calming measures. About 75% of those at the meeting were in favor. The 2006-2007 board was encouraged to look into this.

The mowing contract for the park has been signed.

Planning for the maintenance and improvement of plantings on Glencannon's frontage on Lawyers Road was brought up. It was strongly suggested that the new board have a committee to design and begin to implement an ongoing plan for this process.

Architecture Committee Report

Four home owner improvement projects commenced last year: a major home addition, a deck addition, a basement improvement with window additions and a fireplace installation. Chairman Quentin Taylor and members, Charley Ferrara, Nancy Gaston and Ron Tharrington served on the review committee and approved the project as being tasteful improvements to the community.

Social Committee Report

Quentin Taylor reported that social events and general community interactions were somewhat sparse this year. Laura Hall and Fariba Tahmasebi were complimented along with a cadre of neighbor participants in arranging for a successful Halloween parade and picnic in the Glencannon Park.

Glencannon Website

This year a Glencannon Website was launched. (www.glencannon.info) Quentin Taylor, the webmaster would like technical and design assistance on improving the site. At this time the site hosts an introduction to Glencannon, some neighborhood history and our By-Laws, Newsletters. There is space for pictures of neighborhood events. Quentin will continue to work on the website and asked for help from the community to improve it.

Security Report

There was one reported security breach year. Law enforcement was immediate and there was no property damage or loss.

Lawyers Road Park Report

Doug Strait represented the community association at several meetings held by the county concerning the Lawyers Road Park. Doug stated that Glencannon homeowners were represented in significant numbers at the meetings as well. Doug conducted a community survey to get input for county planners. Inputs from the survey were compiled and sent to the county and to Glencannon residents. In communication with the county Doug encouraged the park planners to keep the accesses to the park closed from McChesney and Mc Duff Courts citing problems that were troublesome when accesses were open when Glencannon was a new community. Those were dangerous motorcycle traffic into the park, fires, and teenage drinking to name a few. The status of the park is available on line at the Fairfax County website. The new board is strongly encouraged to keep an eye on county activities concerning the park.

New Business

Charlotte Brisach asked the president bring up a suggestion that the Glencannon Park be resurveyed. She believes that Glencannon residents are building sheds that are closer to the park boundaries. The cost of surveying the land may be prohibitive. The question of the survey was left to the new board.

Doug polled the group to see if there were objections to having newsletters and other information sent via e-mail to the community. There was a general consensus that people liked getting their information by e-mail. Doug has scanned old minutes and other board information and put it on a CD. He asked if there were objections to throwing away the original documents, some dating back 35 years. Quentin Taylor suggested keeping the paper back up for one more year and if there are no problems in that time to go to complete digital recordkeeping. It was also suggested that two copies of the discs be kept in two locations.

There was a question of our liability on the park equipment in the Glencannon Park. Dana Hanton responded that we do have sufficient insurance to meet liability needs of the park.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Ferrara