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DRAFT – FINAL MA APPROVAL PENDING

Minutes of the Monthly Master Association Meeting

July 2, 2015

Attendees: P. Termine (A); John Ford (B); K. Fleming (C); P. Burt (D); Joe Jorda (E); Jay Harter (F); R. Rasmussen (H/L/N); Hal Deal (J); R. Herschel (K); A. Ruth (M); J. Poling (O); D. McClemens (P); J. Bové (Q); J. Bellas (R); J. Lutley (S); B. Mertz (T); B. Greco (U); F. Simone (V); B. Cotner (W); R. Cassel (Y); B. Bronner; (Z) and E. McFalls. Bob Kelly from Merrifield was also present for the anticipated discuss on the guardrail for the Merrifield curve on Chandler Drive.

President Bob Greco called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM. He asked all members to introduce themselves for everyone's benefit. The minutes of the June 4, 2015 Master Association meeting were approved as submitted.

Bob Greco announced the re-organization of the Board through officer elections as follows:

President	-	Bob Greco
1 st V. Pres.	-	Boyd Mackleer
2 nd V. Pres.	-	Rick Herschel
Secretary	-	Priscilla Burt
Treasurer	-	Joe Bové

The members then discussed the recent accident along the Merrifield curve on Chandler Drive where a car went through the lumber guardrail, dislodged a concreted post and came to rest against a house. Bob Kelly spoke on behalf of Merrifield expressing the desire for a more robust barrier. He mentioned that speed bumps would not have prevented the four accidents over time at Merrifield Village, but they may still have merit. He then raised the question of just how strong a barrier might be desired at the location because we also do not want vehicles bouncing back into the lanes of travel on Chandler Drive. Bob Greco asked if there was any particular barrier to which Merrifield would specifically object? Bob Kelly offered that the village would not object to a metal guardrail if that was the question.

Ed McFalls reviewed some history including the MA's decision a few years back not to add any additional speed humps. He also discussed his meeting with Collinson Guardrail company to review possible guardrail systems. There are steel systems and heavier timber systems that can both provide more robust barriers. Members made several comments and/or questions: would one or more STOP signs help?; would a "CURVE AHEAD" sign help?; would a multiple cable strung between steel posts be better? After some discussion, it seemed the consensus was to double up on the concreted posts and perhaps use heavier timber for the rail system.

Priscilla reported on the Sullivan House and the very successful fundraiser conducted by the Friends of the Sullivan House. The DiCarlos were the winners of the raffle. The FoSH group has a number of ideas for fundraisers. The new access rules are in place and there have been no problems.

Ed McFalls provided several updates: walking trail plan for the route between the East Gate and Ashton was in the works; the Uhler Stormwater management survey continues with completed report due by summer's end; and proposals are pending for interior directional signage. John Ford from Brighton asked some clarifying questions about the trail plan.

Bob Greco reported that the Board hopes to have information for reviewing the various alternatives for improving access to the upper level of the Community Center for discussion at the September MA meeting.

Joe Bové discussed the results of the annual New Resident Questionnaire. Most responding new residents commented on having friends or family in this area or in Hershey's Mill that recommended the community for consideration. The mature landscape and open space are usually indicated as an important attraction. Joe noted that it was important for residents to speak highly of the community to friends and family as a way of re-enforcing the good reputation for the community.

The various agreements that are in place, or up for renewal – trash, insurance and landscape maintenance - were all briefly discussed. The trash/recycling agreement has another year to run (2016) with an increase from \$15 to \$15.25 for 2016. Insurance proposals should be available for review in September and a proposal is pending from HM Landscape for the next cycle.

There being no additional business the meeting was adjourned at 4:00 pm. The next meeting will be conducted on Thursday, **September 3**, 2015 at 3:00 pm in the Ardmore Room of the CC.

Please note there is no MA meeting in August.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ed McFalls
Secretary Pro Tem