

Mount Vernon Manor Citizen's Association (MVMCA)

Board meeting: Tuesday, November 19, 2019

Attendees:

Lisa Diernisse – President
Linda Noble – Vice President
Linda Kristoff – Secretary
Mike Morgan – Treasurer, Registered Agent and Membership Committee Chair
Diane Struck – Directory/Publicity Chair
Keith Kerr – Transportation Committee Chair
Alan Golombek – Public Safety Committee Chair
Lucy Ford – Community Member

Minutes:

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm. Ms. Diernisse presented the good news that the community had increased by one! Board member Vladimir Kurashek and his wife Heather welcomed Vladimir Vladimirovich Kurashek on November 13, 2019! All board members expressed their well wishes for the family.

Discussion points during the meeting:

- The annual Holiday Potluck and membership meeting will be held on December 6, 2019 at the Wesley United Methodist Church, 8412 Richmond Ave #2328, Alexandria, VA 22309. All community members are invited.
- Ms. Diernisse stated that the Trash-Away day held on September 21, 2019 had been very successful and thanked Ms. Diane Struck for organizing the event. Five bins of trash were removed by Fairfax County.
- Ms. Diernisse and all current MVMCA board members noted above agreed to serve for another two year term. The nominations will be announced at the upcoming annual membership meeting for an election vote by the membership.
- Mr. Morgan presented the current budget. Board members discussed the feasibility of increasing membership dues.
 - The current \$10 dues rate has been in place for over ten years.
 - Board members determined that MVMCA currently had sufficient funds to operate and that an increase in dues was not necessary at this time.
 - Board members voted to increase the yearly scholarship award to a \$500 minimum - \$1500 maximum (from \$1000).
 - The Board approved the budget.
- Mr. Morgan stated membership had grown from last year.
 - MVMCA currently has 160 households as members.
 - Board members agreed that a membership table would be set up at the Holiday Potluck.
 - MVMCA 2020 membership drive will be held during March, April, and May 2020.
- Ms. Diernisse presented an update from the legal counsel retained by the board to respond to a complaint regarding the MVMCA website.
- Mr. Kerr provided an update on community transportation issues.

- Bike path is scheduled to be built along the Mount Vernon Memorial Highway (235) from Richmond Highway.
 - Richmond Highway Embark widening construction is scheduled to begin in 2020. Additional information is available at: <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/planning-development/embark-richmond-highway>.
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- Mr. Golombek discussed potential safety/security initiatives for his Committee for 2020.
 - Ms. Struck discussed the status of the new 2020 Directory – it is almost ready for publishing.
 - The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:30 pm.