



## GREATER SEVERNA PARK COUNCIL

Meeting  
January 13, 2015  
Minutes

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The meeting was called to order by President Maureen Carr-York at 7:30 pm at the Woods Memorial Library.

Secretary's Report: The minutes for the last meet were distributed via e-mail and were approved by the delegation.

Treasurer's Report: Steve Poland submitted the November Finance report on October 31, 2014. It was read aloud to the delegation. Below are the key numbers from the report which will be filed for audit. **All** GSPC moneys are FDIC insured. It will be attached to the minutes. The budget was passed last month.  
*Income – Dues \$210.00, Money Market \$0.00, CD interest \$0.049, Bank Fee \$50.00.*

**Account balances** (as of 11/30/2014)

BB&T checking	= \$	2,645.68
SmithBarney money market	= \$	11,055.84
SmithBarney CDs (3)	= \$	15,000.00

Steve Poland also explained the 2015 budget to the delegation. A motion was made and seconded to approve the budget and was approved unanimously by the delegation.

President's Report: Nothing new to report. 57 Communities in Good Standing/3 in Arrears. Welcome to Bellemeade Community Association that is a new member. Maureen addressed the delegation about Tax Exempt status for community associations and explained how to keep the exemptions current.

Special Guests: Councilman Michael Peroutka,

Nominating Committee: Voting was completed online. 40 communities responded to the vote. 39 voted for the Slate of the Board of Directors. 1 Community abstained. John Norville read the official results to the delegation. Welcome new Board members – Jay Murphy and Amy Leahy.

Audit Committee: A call went out for volunteers for this committee – chaired by Ann DeMajestre. John Norville provided a brief description of the responsibilities of the committee.

Education Committee: Biggest issue is the selection of 2 new members due to the vacancies created by Andrew Pruski and Amalie Brandenburg. 33 candidates submitted their names for these 2 seats. There is one other opening based on the timing of Kevin Jackson's appointment by Gov. O'Malley.

No specific updates on either construction projection except that there has been lots of digging and things are moving forward as planned.

Environmental Committee: We need a committee chair. Paul Spadero commented on a number of dogs that have died after eating dark false mussels. His investigation has led to the conclusion that there is a bacteria in the water that is harmful to dog's health. Communities should be alert to keep dogs out of the water until we they can determine what the issue is. MRA is presenting the State of the Magothy is on February 18, 2005 in the Calt building at the Community College starting at 7 pm.

BWI Noise Committee: Lori Stokes was monitoring the new runway at BWI – and the proposed increase in Southwest Air flights that are planned. We thank Lori Stokes for joining this committee. There are other types of noise that they are monitoring such as alarms on buildings.

Police Relations: Cindy Mitchell – not much to report. Next meeting is Wednesday, January 21.

Public Works: Spoke with one of the traffic engineers who was informed Dan that they are considering putting up a signal at either East West and Governor Stone or Rustling Oaks. The number to this department is 410-222-7331.

ASPIRE: Looking for Nominees for the Aspire Community Leadership Awards dinner which is being held on Wednesday February 25, 2015 at Chartwell Country Club.

Greater Severna Park Chamber of Commerce: Maggie Harris, Representative from the Greater SP & Arnold Chamber of Commerce, addressed the delegation to inform – December 18 Business mixer at Brian Boru. It is a fundraiser. January 29<sup>th</sup> is their Installation Dinner – guest speaker being the new County Executive.

Bylaws Revision: Nothing new to report.

Zoning/Legislation: Art Timmons reported that Enterprise did not get the funding for the “workforce housing” exception. A vote was held on the Councilmen Fink, Peroutka and Grasso bill to address the “workforce housing” exception to the R2 and R5 zoning. The bill was passed 4-3 with Councilman Walker joining the 3 co-sponsors.

Sabrina Park plans are before Planning and Zoning and we are tracking it.

We are joining efforts with APC to keep communication open to help facilitate notice from builders to the communities.

Art Timmons drafted a letter in opposition to the proposed development at St. Martin’s Lane. The Delegation voted unanimously to send the letter to Planning & Zoning.

MRA is offering a meeting on Thursday, January 15 at 7 pm at the Community College in the Calt 100 – Center for Applied Learning and Technology. This meeting is designed to outline the development process including when and how to question, comment and follow a development plan before Planning & Zoning.

New Business: Joanna Ostrowski announced that the HS needs help presenting the financial literacy advisory program to the HS students which will occur on the Friday March 27, 2015 at 8:30 pm. It is a 35 minute presentation and they 67 volunteers.

Unfinished Business: Nothing new to report.

Next Meetings: General Meeting: February 10, 2015 7:30 pm Severna Park Library

Board Meeting: 1/27/15, 7:30 PM – Severna Park Library

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

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GSPC Secretary