

**HCA Executive Board Meeting**  
**Wednesday, April 24th, 2018 at 7:00 pm**  
**10202 Lariston Lane**  
**Silver Spring, MD 20903**

Attendance:

Margie Goergen-Rood (President), vacant (VP)\*, Andrew Harris \*(VP-Programs), Ken Harringer\* (Treasurer), Heather Thomas (Secretary), Luann Spiller\* (Past-President), Jeff McNeil\* (At-Large OH), Virgil Tudor (At-Large WH), Tom Helfand (At-Large WH), Ava Penny\* (At-Large HF), Lillie Brown (At-Large HF), Ross Sutton (Bulletin/Garden), Russ Harris\* (Web), Eileen Finnegan (Zoning), Willa Watson (Greeter), Bill Thomas (Developer Liaison), Shana Davis-Cook\* (Bylaws)

\* *Not present*

*Meeting called to order at 7:03 pm*

- **Reported Gas Leak** - Virgil contacted Washington Gas and Councilmember Huckers office after a neighbor complained of a gas leak. Washington Gas spokesperson confirmed that work has been ongoing at the address and no gas leak has been found. Margie will respond to a second neighbor who reached out to the board concerned about the issue. Virgil will ask Washington Gas if there is an official statement they would want posted to the neighborhood outreach channels.
- **Nominating Committee Report** - Outreach to the neighborhood was done several weeks ago on Nextdoor and through the eBulletin. The committee has heard back from most of the existing board members, but have had very few new volunteers from the community so far. Heather will put out a last call on NextDoor and eBulletin, and asks that other board members consider if their neighbors could be good candidates.
- **Mailed Bulletin** - Ross will publish a hard-copy Hillandale Bulletin for mailing in early May. All articles should be sent in to Ross before May 5th. The Bulletin will include:
  - An announcement of the next general meeting (Margie or Shana will send to Ross)
  - The nomination report and slate for the 2019-2021 elections (Heather will send to Ross)
  - Garden awards (Ross will write)
  - Other - (Board members may submit additional topics and articles)
- **Next HCA General Meeting : Wednesday May 22nd** - The agenda for the next general meeting (our last until September) was set:
  - Guest Speakers:
    - Linda Komes from Montgomery County Parks will come give an update on the overhaul plans for Hillandale Local Park (Shana has already confirmed)

- Washington Gas to be invited to speak about near & long term planned infrastructure in the Hillandale area (Virgil will ask)
    - 3rd District has a new Lieutenant, who will be invited to introduce himself to the community and take questions (Margie will ask)
    - Kay Taub will be invited to speak briefly and/or provide handouts regarding a mosquito reduction study (Margie will ask)
  - Bi-annual election of 2010-2021 HCA Board
  
- **Traffic studies in West Hillandale** - Virgil had reached out earlier in the year to DoT and the 3rd District police about studying the speeds on Cresthaven, Schindler and Royal. DoT did do a study of Cresthaven, but hasn't yet sent the written results (Virgil will ask again). 3rd District will be putting up a trailer along Cresthaven in the next couple of weeks.
  
- **Spring Community Unity Event** - We'd like to add a spring event to the Hillandale calendar (in addition to NNO in August and the Holiday Party in December). We may have missed the opportunity this year, but we will see if we can put something together for early June. The current idea is:
  - June 8th in & around the Hillandale Local Park picnic shelter (Heather will find out if it's available)
  - Could include a Community Clean-up in the morning, where neighbors are encouraged self-organize & go out and pick up sections of Hillandale
  - The Parks Department may have some outreach equipment (like extra play and physical fitness stations) that they could bring
  - Encourage neighbors to bring dishes to a potluck lunch, HCA would provide basic food like hot dogs, chips, & drinks
  
- **Hillandale Corner Upkeep** - The original quote for landscaping maintenance included the two Hillandale boundary signs that are on public right-of-way and maintained by the county. We need a new quote that just covers the big brick Hillandale sign at the corner of Powder Mill and New Hampshire. (Andrew to get a new quote)

*Meeting adjourned at 8:22 pm*