

**Cross Creek Village Civic Association**  
**Tuesday, January 7, 2014, 6:30-7:30 pm**  
**Meeting Minutes**

The meeting came to order at 6:34 p.m. The following members were present: Debi Hampton, Dave Reichle, Bob Sorley, Nancy Sorley, Victor Sergei, Chris Zarnosky and Renee Mushalko.

**1. Secretary's Report**

- a. The December 5<sup>th</sup> CCVCA Meeting Minutes were distributed and members were given the opportunity to review.
- b. Revisions include adding Bob Sorley to members attending the meeting as he arrived later.
- c. Victor Sergei moved to accept the report and Dave Reichle seconded it.
- d. After a voice vote, the report was unanimously approved.

**2. Treasurer's Report**

- a. Quarterly report - 11 memberships during this quarter.
- b. Stamps were the only expense at this time. Bob Sorley is asking to purchase 40 stamps before the price goes up later this month. Victor Sergei moved that we approve this purchase. Dave Reichle seconded it. After a voice vote, the purchase was unanimously approved.
- c. There was discussion regarding foreclosed properties in the neighborhood. Bob Sorley received information from Jon Hsu that had been sent to him from Everbank. We are a party listed that may have a financial interest. We have told them in the past that there are no monies due to the Civic Association.
- d. Victor Sergei moved to accept the report and Renee Mushalko seconded it.
- e. After a voice vote, the report was unanimously approved.

**3. Committee Reports**

Block Watch –Renee Mushalko went over some of the items that have taken place in the neighborhood over the last couple of months as she was unable to provide an actual report at that time. See attached report. Renee discussed the licensing of vendors in our neighborhood and some situations as of late. Renee spoke to Ralph at the licensing office and they have also had a difficult time trying to find appropriate contact information for AT&T. They have changed some licensing to allow a license to be purchased for only 4 months to accommodate those that only work during the summer months. A total of three different purchasing options are available. Ramona with the Department of Public Safety said they talking about adding second shift officers to cite and handle paperwork after normal business hours.

Bob Sorley asked if at some point we will be combining funds from the Block Watch with the Civic Association. There has to be something specific stated that if there is a separation between the two groups that the Block Watch can recover their funds. And, the Block Watch remains a unique entity within the Civic Association, as mandated by the Columbus Police Department. We will look further into the legalities of this and what paperwork, tax information, etc. is required.

Dave Reichle talked with Tom Mellott, who is a tax accountant about auditing our accounts. He and Dan Mushalko will be meeting with members of the Civic Association to go over our financial information and to complete the audit as required. We discussed what the time period would cover and it will be the past two fiscal years.

Dave Reichle informed us that the house on Cashion that had the vehicle in the yard has been moved.

The property at 3131 Castlebrook Avenue seems to have some changes that indicate that someone has been using the property. Debi Hampton spoke with someone at Everhome Mortgage about the property and someone securing the house. Then she spoke with Velty and Lambright, and Melissa from their offices will attempt to follow up.

Debi Hampton did get some additional information regarding signage. We discussed one particular option that she found. She will forward this information to the members and we will do an email vote or we will discuss at the February meeting.

The Hilliard Police Department is hosting two woman's self defense classes in February. Renee Mushalko will send out notification through the Block Watch eblast.

Debi Hampton received information from Go Daddy about updating our domain name. We briefly discussed changing the name. We'll discuss some possible name changes later. Victor Sergei moved that we renew the current domain name and Renee Mushalko seconded it. After a voice vote, the report was unanimously approved.

The executive committee's next meeting will be Tuesday, February 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

Renee Mushalko moved to adjourn at 7:44 p.m. Debi Hampton seconded it. After a voice vote, the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting is Thursday, February 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.

CROSS CREEK BLOCK WATCH REPORT FOR  
CROSS CREEK VILLAGE CIVIC ASSOCIATION MEETING, Jan. 7, 2014

Presented by Renee Mushalko

OCTOBER-DECEMBER INCIDENTS

- **Casing incident and burglary from other neighborhoods:** Notification from Hilliard Green neighborhood in early Oct about men casing the neighborhood there and attempting to break in at home that was occupied at the time. Also received notice in November of a house burglary in the Nike Dr area after the homeowner's garage door opener had been stolen from their car. It was believed a group of teens was doing this activity, and that they would go into the garage after taking the opener, wait for the light to go out, remove the light bulb, and then look for things to steal.

- **Dog feces complaints:** Received 3 or 4 complaints about dog owners allowing their dogs to defecate in someone's yard (not their own) and then not clean it up. Sent notification to the neighborhood that we would be referring residents to the prosecutor's office and made pleas for dog owners to be more respectful. One woman was identified as a violator and confronted by Ofc. Paulus. She denied that she has allowed this to happen, but she was informed of the law. As far as I am aware, no one else has been identified as clearly being in violation, though there are some suspected dog owners...they have just not been caught yet.
- **Lost and found pets reports:** Several lost and found dog/cat notices were received and distributed via the e-mail chain, including one dog that turned out to be from down by Westbrooke (near Alton Darby Rd and Roberts Rd)...this dog was sighted numerous times and there was significant concern for its safety as well as a couple of calls to the dog warden, but no one could get near the dog; he ended up making it back home on his own!
- **Unwanted mail and phone call:** One neighbor asked for help after receiving some unwanted mail. I referred her to Ofc. Paulus, who has worked with her and for her to try to get this taken care of. Also another neighbor, a captain, called regarding an accusatory phone call to her father. Ofc Paulus made some suggestions and we asked her to keep us posted about any further activity; this caller was unknown to the family.
- **Bridge reopening:** Provided notice of the Roberts Rd bridge across I-270 opening
- **Suspicious vehicle:** Received information regarding an old white "retired" police vehicle that seemed suspicious. At least one other neighborhood in the area had a similar experience with this same vehicle.
- **Stolen vehicles and thefts from vehicles:** In early Nov, Hilliard police reported an increase in stolen cars within Hilliard City Limits; at the same time, the police reports showed a heavy load of reports of items stolen from cars in 15 precinct. Neighborhood notifications sent.
- **Stolen packages:** In December, we received at least 3 reports of stolen packages delivered to houses here in the neighborhood and of a similar incident in the Quarry Pointe subdivision (off Dublin Rd east of Scioto Darby Rd.).

#### POLICE THANK YOU

- In November shortly before Thanksgiving, we delivered over 10 large boxes of snack and treats to the 15 precinct police substation, including a couple of boxes that Ofc Paulus agreed to take to the radio room staff for us. This was the combined effort of the Hilliard Green, Westbrooke, and Cross Creek Village subdivisions, and involved donations from about 30 families.

#### SUMMER SOCIAL INFORMATION

- Deposited funds (9/13/13): \$888.60
- Wrap up yet to be done:
  - Distribute gift cards to:
    - National Anthem soloist,
    - Face Painter

- Jodi Ransom
- Other?
- Distribute compensation to Jodi Ransom
- Finalize accounting of expenses and income
- Thank yous

MISCELLANEOUS ACTION:

- Deposit (9/16/13): \$30.34
  - This is a payout of the amount we accumulated in the Sherwin-Williams neighborhood account we had. This account is now closed with the disbursement of this money to the block watch.
- Current balance in account (as of 9/17/13): \$1,052.06
- No other activity in this account from Sep 17, 2013 to present

FUTURE ACTIVITY

- Annual 15 precinct BW coordinator's meeting: Jan 29<sup>th</sup> at The Police Academy

CROSS CREEK VILLAGE CIVIC ASSOCIATION TREASURER'S REPORT  
Fourth Quarter, 2013, submitted January 7, 2014

Savings: Initial deposit was \$100.00. Balance remains at	\$100.00
Checking:	
Beginning Balance (including \$80.00 to be deposited)	\$1,557.39
Income	
Memberships (9 renewal, 2 new)*	\$220.00
Expenditures	
Postage stamps**	-\$18.40
Ending Balance	\$1,758.99
 Total of Savings and Checking	 \$1,858.99
 Designated for front entrance signage	 \$233.85
Designated for 501c3	\$400.00
Designated for Block Watch	\$33.00
Undesignated	\$1,192.14
Total	\$1,858.99

\*One of the new memberships resulted from mailings to recent residents.

\*\*I would like permission to buy 60 stamps at 46¢ before the rate increases to 49¢.

Respectfully submitted,  
Robert J. Sorley