

STRATHMORE-BEL PRE CIVIC ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

DATE: April 19, 1993

TIME: 7:30 P.M.

PLACE: Meridian Health Care Center

ATTENDEES: Al Ritter (President)
Dan Mann (1st Vice Pres.)
Mike Grady (2nd Vice Pres.)
Jay Moore (Treasurer)
Joe Fry (Past President)
Linda Bea (Corr./Rec. Sec.)

Thom Carlin (Board) Bill Hammond (Board)
Anita Fanning (Board) Dave Pullen (Board)
Mike McKeehan (Board)

ABSENT: Sue Harris (Board) Deborah Robinson (Board)
Chuck Rodeffer (Board) Arlene Thorne (Board)
Howard Byron (Board) Maribel Torres (Board)
John Bogle (Board)

Gate of Heaven Cemetery

There is a special exception pending to expand the use of the cemetery. Representatives for the cemetery (Tim Dugan, Frank Markowski and Roma Campanille) gave a presentation on the proposed modifications. They are complying with the State regulations on trees. The County has approved all environmental issues. Application will be filed within 30 days. County Council will then make a forward the application to the Hearing Examiner. A hearing will be scheduled for 60 days later. After the hearing, a recommendation is made to the County Council.

Cellular Telecommunication Facility - Jim Michael

Jim gave a presentation on the proposed cellular transmitter. He explained that they must increase the number of cell sites as usage increases. Transmitters only cover a few miles. The power level is approximately 100 Watts from one of these cells. There will not be any interference with television reception. Jim explained how sites are selected for these transmitters. They look for existing structures. The special exception will be before the Board on May 12. Then it will go before Park & Planning on May 29. Jim offered to provide shrubberies for the shopping center. Thom asked how the poles were grounded. Jim will find out.

General

Al Ritter presided over the meeting. The minutes from March 22, 1993, were accepted as amended.

Financial Report - Jay Moore

The Financial Report was accepted as prepared. Jay reported that the premium on insurance went down since last year. Jay also investigated Bugle advertising. There are currently only two ads that are overdue.

Internal Affairs

1. Neighborhood Watch - Mike McKeehan

The Council met with the new captain. In response to break-ins, the Captain sent a crime analyst to do an analysis of part of our community. In the area studied, from 1/1 through 3/25 there were ten burglaries. The police have a couple suspects. There is no pattern. Mike will see if any further analyses will be done.

Al received a letter from a gentleman concerned about the armed robberies at Plaza del Mercado.

2. School Liaison

Georgian Forest Modernization - Dan Mann

Dan will attend the first meeting of the modernization committee on 4/20.

Councilman Subin Call - Al Ritter

Al had spoken with Councilman Subin about a shortage of computer equipment at Kennedy. Councilman Subin said he would look into it.

3. New Resident's Kits - Anita Fanning

Anita has received some new give-aways for the kits.

4. The Bugle - Bill Hammond

Bill reported that we are getting more articles. Joe suggested an article on drinking and driving because of upcoming prom nights.

5. Rec Association Liaison - Dan Mann

Dan spoke with John Holbrook about resurfacing the basketball court. It was brought up at the last meeting, and it will probably be done. A fence will also be looked into. They will probably do the court when the parking lot is resurfaced.

6. Membership Drive - Linda Bea

The membership fee and directory price were discussed. It was decided that membership would be \$8.00. If purchased alone, the directory would cost \$7.00; however, membership and directory would be \$13.

7. Community Yard Sale

A reminder will be put in the May issue of The Bugle. The donation

will be made to Children's Hospital in the name of Katie Dorr.

External Affairs

1. Town Meeting - Al Ritter

Al and Jay attended this meeting. The budget was discussed. Metro is scheduled to open mid-1998. There will be an entrance going under Georgia Avenue. There will be no parking lot on the west side of Georgia. The parking garage will open in June. The cost will be \$1.00 and there will be a free shuttle bus to Wheaton.

There is a proposal to put a highrise building between Royal Way and Glenallen Avenue.

Glenmont Shopping Center landlords have agreed to upgrade the shopping center with a grand re-opening by Christmas, 1993.

WSSC

The water tower issue has been postponed along with the routing of the waterline. Current plan has the waterline going from the Wheaton pumping station up Viers Mill to Connecticut to Georgia to Old Georgia to Route 28. Since there was so much opposition, it will be looked at again.

2. Master Recycling and Composter Training

The article contained an error. The County will continue to pick up grass clippings and take them to the landfill if you put them in paper bags. They will be picked up on the recycle days. Until January, 1994, they will pick up the clippings in plastic bags.

3. Korean Church

Al wrote a thank you for the dinner.

4. Aspen Hill Library

Jay attended a meeting to keep the library open. It will stay open 40 hours/week.

5. Aspen Hill Master Plan - Al Ritter

Mike Grady testified at a public hearing. The ICC, Matthew Henson and Rockville Facility were discussed. The next step will be a hearing before the Council.

Al wrote some testimony addressing some of the properties in our community.

6. Beall Family Plot

The clean-up is scheduled for May 1, at 10:00. Channel 7 is scheduled to be there.

7. July 4 Activities - Joe Fry

Joe reviewed the activities for the weekend.

8. Layhill Alliance - Jay Moore

- Systems Development charge passed.
- Super majority for the Board of Appeals for special exceptions. Now a 3-2 vote rules. To disapprove special exceptions, it takes more.
- Trash Tax. There were enough signatures to bring the issue to referendum. It looks like we will have the incinerator.
 - Aspen Hill Racquet Club is putting in a special exception to increase parking lot and membership.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 17, 1993, at Meridian Health Care Center.