

**Fairlington Citizens Association
Executive Board Meeting Minutes
Zoom Video Call & Facebook Live
May 12, 2021**

Board Members Present

- Guy Land
- Jenn Davies Beck
- Chris Weathers
- Ed Hilz
- Julie Butler
- Lydia Redway
- Bobby Calise
- Paulin Leonida
- Jennifer Clardy Chalmers

Board Members Absent

Quorum Present?

- Yes

Residents or other Attendees Present?

- Shelly-Ann Sinclair

Speaker Presentation and Resident Q&A

Jasmine Senn, JP Montoya, Scott Linder, & Mark Francis, Arlington County Police Department

Regular FCA Meeting

Call to Order - 7:02 PM

- Guy Land presided and noted the presence of a quorum.

Approval of Agenda

- There was unanimous consent to approve the agenda (with adjustments as needed) distributed by Guy Land by email and hard copy.

Approval of Minutes

- May 2021 Minutes approved with the condition of an edits would be permitted
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Officer Reports

- President
 - o Civic Federation meeting with School Board is next Tuesday (April 20

- o President Land attended the Shirlington Civic Association meeting to observe a presentation about improvements to the Shirlington Village area from FRIT, to include parking, narrowing streets, pedestrian areas, gathering/family areas that could include water play, etc. This will be going to County Board in the Fall and for approval in December.
- Vice President
 - o VP Davies suggests that the FCA Board consider an outdoor meeting, based on recent CDC guidelines.
- Treasurer
 - o Treasurer Hilz reports that taxes have been filed
- Secretary, No report.

Unfinished Business

COVID Response

- VP Davies reminds the board

Racism & Inclusion Activities

Resident Survey

- Director Calise reports that we post the url ook page. A week after the next newsletter, we publish the results

Spring Outdoor Concert

- VP Davies reports that weather may be an issue. Looking for another volunteer to help on site. Field conditions will determine whether we can hold the event or not. The decision will most likely be made on the day of.
- President Land will be available to help.
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Fourth of July Celebration

- First Issue
- Will we acquire flags and other celebratory small items
- Director Butler conveys that we had flags and pinwheels last year. Pinwheels will need to be put together.
- VP Davies
- Treasurer Hilz asked if we need to ask permission to use Abingdon Parking Lot. VP Davies will make sure that is acceptable, understanding that it is a holiday and it is not

restricted for use. Treasurer Hilz asked if we will include Shirlington House like we do with Park Shirlington.

- President Land reminds the board that FV Placek has reported that FV will plan to conduct the walking parade from the Firehouse to the FV community Center, may include a fife duo, and an ice cream truck.
- Board members discuss some of the difficulty of having a parade and a food truck where there may be some crowding with those who have not had an opportunity to get vaccinated with the COVID pandemic still in place.
- President Land will check in with further precautions that may be in place with FV and communicate concerns about the event occurring in the proposed manner.

New Business

Park Shirlington

- President Land suggests that FCA provides general support on the County/Owner ideas to continue fully subsidized housing and the general plans for improvement in Park Shirlington
- Treasurer Hilz asks why there is a significant turnaround in this plan. President Land responded that county had an idea for the use in the beginning, tax credit changes, and other factors played into it.
- Director Redway expressed a concern about displacement of residents during renovation. President Land explained that there would be vacant units available during renovation work that can accommodate tenants.
- VP Davies

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Statement Activities

- Director Redway

Communications Plan

- Proposal to
- Director Butler in support
- President Land
- Director Butler
- Director Redway
- 8 in favor, 1 abstention

Fourth of July Celebration

- President Land seeks Board members to look into the options that may be available for this event.
- Director Butler recommends that at the least we include the Fire Truck as a part of the event, which was part of the 2020 celebration.

- VP Davies further encourages decorating. VP Davies suggests that we order Independence Day supplies (flags, pinwheels, etc). Director Butler will look into this.
- President Land will check in with Captain Tirelli on how this initiative could be pulled off with AFD.
- President Land will also check in with the Fairlington Villages Condo Association on their perspective on this matter.

Upgrade Nature Centers in Future Arlington CIP

- President Land asks if this is something that the Fairlington Community would support
- Director Clardy Chalmers expresses that, at the very least, there are members of the community that use the Long Branch Nature Center
- Director Clardy Chalmers will write a letter in support of this initiative

Adjournment

- President Land seeks a motion to adjourn with unanimous consent; no objections
- Adjourned at 8:33 PM

Submitted by Chris Weathers, Board Secretary