

Burns Lane Residents Association  
Annual Meeting Minutes  
November 4, 2019

The meeting was held at the Williamsburg Regional Library. The following neighbors were in attendance: Steve Cummings, Al and Nancy Bolash, Jim and Pam Penny, Peter and Kerry Mellette, Mike Motes, Sue Reid and Jon Strandberg, Mary Ann Brendel, Stuart Goddin, Peter Crow, Jim and Sue Barton, Julie Smith, Gladys Victor, Carol Sherman, Kelly Shaw, Ed and Glenda Lindsey, Susan Hartauer and Bruce Sandkam, Jared Meharg, Chris and Molly Gareis, Marcie Liebel and Ted Mittler.

- I. Nancy called the meeting to order at 7:02.
- II. Election Committee Report – Kerry Mellette
  - a. Filled one vacant board position this year with Julie Smith.
  - b. Created slate of nominees for tonight’s vote on Board of Directors.
- III. Treasurer’s Report - Nancy Bolash on behalf of David Hamilton
  - a. \$1233.44 in our account
  - b. Much of this past year’s budget went to the neighborhood sign and landscaping around it.
  - c. Fees anticipated for this coming year for the website.
  - d. Should spend about the same amount this coming year (few hundred dollars).
  - e. Membership dues are currently due.
- IV. Secretary’s Report – Molly Gareis
  - a. Get well and sympathy cards sent to several neighbors this year.
  - b. Please let Molly know of anyone in need in our neighborhood.
- V. Accomplishments of the past year – Nancy Bolash
  - a. Street light on “s” curve
  - b. Yellow lines on “s” curve
  - c. Ladies Happy Hour
  - d. Welcome baskets to new families and student rentals
  - e. Actively engaging with city and college to advocate for our neighborhood
  - f. Nancy and Jim are representing our neighborhood on the city-wide Neighborhood Balance Committee
  - g. Nancy and Jim are meeting with President Rowe on November 6<sup>th</sup>
- VI. Discussion on status of student rentals in neighborhood
- VII. Proposed Changes to by-laws – Jim Penny
  - a. All but one present voted in favor of accepting proposed changes.
  - b. New by-laws are now in effect.
- VIII. Vote for Board of Directors
  - a. All nominees on slate, David Hamilton, Ed Lindsey, Jim Penny, Ted Mittler, and Molly Gareis were voted in.

- IX. Picnic Update – Julie Smith
  - a. Highest attendance on record – 91 people
  - b. \$92 surplus was donated to William and Mary Foodbank.
  - c. Idea to extend invitation next year to former neighbors who have moved out of neighborhood.
- X. Comments
  - a. Mike Motes would like to encourage someone in our neighborhood to run for City Council next year.
  - b. If no one in our neighborhood runs, we should invite candidates to a neighborhood meeting so we have a chance to ask questions.
  - c. There was a suggestion that there should be a firm due date for dues so it is clear to members when they need to renew.
- XI. Next Meeting Date and Adjournment -
  - a. Next BLRA meeting will be on November 20<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm at the home of Nancy Bolash.
  - b. Meeting was adjourned at 7:50.