

Arnold Preservation Council
Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting
January 29, 2024

President Kathleen McCoun called the Zoom meeting to order at 7:30 pm. Also present were Vice President Sue Ricciardi, Treasurer Teresa Miller, and Directors-at-large Richard Ensor, Chris Kerchner and Elizabeth Rosborg.

Minutes The previously emailed minutes for the December 18, 2023 Board of Directors meeting and the January 19, 2024 Annual meeting were approved.

Membership Report Membership Chair Sue Ricciardi gave a report for January, 2024. Membership totals so far for 2024 are 14 Individuals/Households and one Community/Homeowners Association, equaling 15 voting members, and three Friends for a total of 18 APC supporters. The report was accepted.

Treasurer's Report Mrs. Miller presented two Treasurer's reports. One covered the remainder of December 2023 (December 19-31) and the second covered the period from January 1 through January 30, 2024. The first report contained only income from the CDs. The second report contained income from dues, donations and the CDs, plus expenses for insurance and bank charges. The reports were approved. Mrs. Miller is investigating the possibility of APC using Zelle to allow dues and donations to be remitted online. She will be talking both to TD bank officials and the website creators to obtain more information.

Election of Officers of the Board for 2024 The only office up for election was that of President. Mrs. McCoun was re-elected to that position.

Old Business

- a. **Chick-Fil-A update** – Mrs. Rosborg reported that APC is still waiting to hear about a date for a community meeting. APC will write again to the County with more detailed questions since the County's response to the first letter did not provide all the desired information. Mrs. Rosborg will provide a copy of the County response to Elliot Powell to get his advice. She will also ask Jackie Chandler about the stacking of cars. APC also needs to be specific with Kim Tran and Erich Florence. Unresolved is still how safety issues are addressed during traffic studies.
- b. **Upper Mill Creek Stream Restoration meeting** Mr. Kerchner attended the meeting and reported that the meeting was well-run. The area to be restored is near East Joyce Lane and construction is planned to begin later this year. Residents near the area said that runoff has been an issue for years.
- c. **Broadneck Trail update** – Mr. Ensor reported that construction is continuing with storm drains, retaining walls and test pits. Stumps are being removed. The mature Willow Oaks at AACC will come down and later be replaced with those of 4" caliper. The completion date may be December, 2024 but the trail likely won't be fully open until a few months later.
- d. **Woodard Property** – Mrs. McCoun reported that after the community meeting, APC responded with a letter with questions. A reply was received from Messick that the project has been put on hold. A question that APC has is what are the regulations that require the formation of an HOA.
- e. **Report on County Budget Town Hall** – Teresa and Steve Miller attended and reported that there were impressive presentations from Public Safety Officers, Library supporters and "Tree Huggers". There were also pleas for road repair and a sidewalk from St. John the Evangelist Church up to Cypress Creek Road.

New Business

- a. **Shot Town Road** - There are several properties east of Indian Hills and north of Route 50 that are zoned RLD with Rural Land Use and that the Planning Advisory Board has recommended to become R1 with Low Density Residential Land Use. Some neighbors feel that they have been blindsided because the applications were submitted after the regular review process and they only learned of them very recently. The Planning and Zoning Office had recommended Rural Land Use and RLD zoning, and the Stakeholder Advisory Committee recommended Rural Land Use, but they had already had their last meeting, so they did not make a zoning recommendation. Land Use recommendations were made as part of Plan 2040, so the PAB's decisions were contrary to them. APC is considering opposing the PAB recommendations and talking to the Broadneck Council of Communities about joining with APC in their opposition. Concerns are that there will be a snowball effect in that area, that properties may be combined and that Shot Town Road would be extended. Mrs. Fiedler is aware of the situation and she is working with Mrs. Rosborg on Region 4.
- b. **Plan for Financial Review** – APC will wait another year before scheduling one.

Announcements - None

Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned shortly before 9 pm.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 26.

Minutes prepared by Sue Ricciardi

Note: The minutes, membership and treasurer's reports referred to above will soon be available on the Google Drive.