

KINGS CONTRIVANCE BOARD MEETING MINUTES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2021

THIS WAS A VIRTUAL BOARD MEETING HELD VIA ZOOM DUE TO COVID-19

APPROVED _____

The regular board meeting was called to order at 7:35pm by Barbara Seely, Board Chair. Board members, Fred Nizio, Melissa Hogle, Jeff Richmond, John Woodson and CA Board Representative Shari Zaret were present. Robert Luke was absent. Village Manager Beverley Meyers, Operations Coordinator Erika Cheney and Covenant Advisor Laura Parrish were present. Marty Oltmans, CA Aquatics Director and Kate Reilly, KC Watershed Representative were also in attendance along with several members of the Watershed Stewards Academy.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

Fred made a motion, seconded by Melissa, to approve the agenda for January 20, 2021. The motion passed unanimously. Fred made a motion, seconded by John, to approve the minutes of the December 2, 2020 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

RESIDENT SPEAK OUT

There were no residents present for Resident Speak Out.

KC WATERSHED REPRESENTATIVE KATE REILLY

Kate presented a proposal from the Watershed Stewards Academy for a watershed project in Macgill's Common located behind Cotton Mill Lane on Open Space in a floodplain. In order to reduce flooding, 35 trees will be planted as well as native and deer resistant plants and bushes. There will be no cost to the village; they have received grants from the Academy, Master Gardeners and the Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay.

Fred made a motion, seconded by Melissa, to send a letter to Columbia Association in support of the KC Watershed project proposed by Kate Reilly. The motion passed unanimously.

Bev will contact CA and the county regarding the exposed sewer pipe in the area.

CA AQUATICS DIRECTOR MARTY OLTMANS

Marty spoke about the pools in Kings Contrivance. Dickinson received a new wading pool deck and shade cover, as well as a new filter system. The draft CA Budget includes only Huntington and Dickinson pools in Kings Contrivance to open for summer 2021 in order to provide the maximum number of lanes for swim team. All ADA compliant pools would open; Macgill's Common pool would not open this summer. The budget is being reviewed by CA and will be adopted in late February.

It is proposed that all 15 pools that will be open this summer will be open every day; lap swimming will require signing up for a time slot and current Covid restrictions will apply.

There are still plans for Macgill's Common pool to install a splash pad as part of the FY23 budget proposal.

CA has an urgent need for lifeguards; all ages 15 and up are welcome to apply.

BOARD MEMBER SPEAK OUT

John asked about the clogged drain in the village center. Bev has contacted KIMCO already.

Jeff asked about the possibility of online voting for village elections. Some villages have online voting. Due to the additional expense and other factors, online voting will not be implemented this year in Kings Contrivance. This year we plan on having mail-in and drop-off ballots, as well as in person voting.

COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT

Shari reported on the latest CA Board Meeting, including the following:

- CA is hosting a virtual town hall on January 21, 2021. It will be live streamed and then available on CA's website and YouTube channel.
- CA has a new Chief Marketing Officer, Timothy Pinel.
- The draft budget for FY22 includes opening 15 pools for summer 2021 and the closing of Haven on the Lake.
- There are 75 applicants for CA President position.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Barb had no report.

MANAGER'S REPORT

See attached.

The plans are available for the new 50+ center to be built next to the East Columbia Library.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:09 p.m., a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Erika Cheney
Operations Coordinator