

KINGS CONTRIVANCE BOARD MEETING MINUTES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2024
THIS WAS AN IN-PERSON MEETING AT AMHERST HOUSE

APPROVED:

The regular board meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by Barbara Seely, Board Chair. Board members Melissa Hogle, Madeleine Borowski, Vivian Feen, Fred Niziol and KC Columbia Council Rep. Paul Rader were present. Board member Carol Huegel was absent. Also present were Village Manager Beverley Meyers, Operations Coordinator Erika Cheney and Howard County Strategic Outreach Coordinator Vikki Garcia.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND BOARD MINUTES

Fred made a motion, seconded by Madeleine, to approve the agenda for September 4, 2024. The motion passed unanimously.

Fred made a motion, seconded by Madeleine, to approve the minutes from the board meeting held on August 7, 2024. Melissa abstained and the motion passed.

RESIDENT SPEAK OUT

There were no residents present.

MANAGEMENT CONTRACT WITH CA

The Board discussed both the Facilities Agreement and the Annual Charge Share Agreement portion of the management contract with CA. Barb shared a letter that the Village Chairs composed regarding the continuing partnership between villages and Columbia Association. The letter provides support for the draft changes to the Annual Charge Share and Facilities Agreements, as well as shared goals for the agreement and will be sent to CA President Shawn MacInnes and the CA Board of Directors.

Fred made a motion, seconded by Madeleine, to accept the draft changes to the Facilities Agreement and the Annual Share Charge Agreement and to send the letter from the Villages to CA President Shawn MacInnes and the CA Board. The motion passed unanimously.

BOARD GOALS

The Board reviewed the draft of the FY25 Board goals. Melissa requested that we add the goal “Support Education and School Outreach” with the objective of meeting with the Hammond High School principal once per year. The updated goals will be voted on at a future Board Meeting.

BOARD MEMBER SPEAK OUT

Melissa expressed concern about the letter the Board plans to send to the County supporting the feasibility study for the pedestrian/cyclist bridge over the Middle Patuxent River. She is worried about the cost and the environmental impact of such a large project. After discussion, the Board decided to send the letter with the request that an environmental impact study be done as part of the feasibility study.

COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE’S REPORT

CA had no board meetings in August. Paul attended the Audit Committee meeting, which was a closed meeting.

CHAIR’S REPORT

None

MANAGER’S REPORT

See attached.

Vikki Garcia asked that the Board send FY26 budget priorities to the county executive's office.
There will be no Board Meeting on October 2 due to Rosh Hashanah.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:50p.m., a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Erika Cheney
Operations Coordinator