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Oakland Mills Community Association

Village Board Meeting Minutes

The Other Barn ~ 5851 Robert Oliver Place ~ Columbia, MD 21045
Board Members: Bill McCormack, Jr., Co-Chair~ Ginny Thomas, Co-Chair
Jonathan Edelson, Vice-Chair ~ Kay Wisniewski, AC Chair ~ Paul Verchinski
Marcia White ~ Bill Woodcock
Reginald Avery, Columbia Council Representative

May 26, 2015

Announcement of Closed Meeting

The OMCA Board held a closed meeting on May 26, 2015. Members present were: Jonathan Edelson, Vice-Chair; Bill McCormack, Co-Chair; Virginia Thomas, Co-Chair; Paul Verchinski, Marcia White, Kay Wisniewski, Sandy Cederbaum, Village Manager, Pam Soroto, Esq. The vote to close the meeting was 5-0-0. The closed meeting was authorized pursuant to Maryland Homeowners Association Act, the Oakland Mills Community Association Board of Directors voted to meet in closed session or adjourn an open session to a closed session in order to : (3) Consultation with legal counsel. The meeting was closed from 6:30 p.m. until 7:45 p.m.

Regular OMCA BoD Meeting

Mr. McCormack called the regular meeting of the OMCA Board of Directors to order at 7:48 pm.

Present: Bill McCormack, Jr., Board Co-Chair; Virginia Thomas, Board Co-Chair;; Kay Wisniewski, AC Chair; Jonathan Edelson, Vice-Chair; Reginald Avery, CA Board; Paul Verchinski; Marcia White; Sandy Cederbaum, Village Manager; Brigitta Warren, Event & Administrative Coordinator

Absent: Bill Woodcock

Also Present: See Resident List

Opening of Meeting

- **Ms. Thomas** motioned that the agenda for May 26, 2015 (ATTACHMENT “A”) be approved. **Mr. Edelson** seconded and the motion passed (6-0-0).
- **Ms. Wisniewski** motioned to accept the May 12, 2015 OMCA Board meeting minutes (ATTACHMENT “B”). **Mr. Verchinski** seconded and the motion passed (6-0-0).

Resident Remarks

- Lee Mckay was present to request a donation for his proposed Oakland Mills Girls Teen Softball (GTS) League that he and his fiancé are trying to put together. A request letter was distributed (ATTACHMENT “C”). **Mr. McCormack** added an explanation of the proposed program based on his prior telephone conversation with Mr. Mckay.

New Business

- Reports were distributed from Committee Representatives
 - Public Space Committee – Gerry Witte (ATTACHMENT “D)
 - Senior Advisory Committee Liaison – Paul Verchinski (ATTACHMENT “E”)
 - Tennis Advisory Committee – Jim Alvey (ATTACHMENT “F”)
- Appointment of Oakland Mills Village Manager (Pursuant to OMCA By-Laws, Sec. 4.02)
Ms. Thomas motioned to appoint **Sandy Cederbaum** as Oakland Mills Village Manager. **Mr. Edelson** seconded and the motion passed (5-1-0). **Mr. Verchinski** voted against the motion.
- **Ms. Thomas** motioned to reappoint all current committee representatives, liaisons (Gerry Witte – Public Space; Paul Verchinski – Senior Advisory Liaison; Daniel Kirk-Davidoff – Watershed Advisory Committee; Jim Alvey – Tennis Advisory Committee. **Ms. Wisniewski** seconded and the motion passed (6-0-0).
- A discussion regarding the future of the Reinventing Oakland Mills Task Force took place. **Ms. Thomas** requested a thank you letter should be written to members who participated on the Task Force. A suggestion was made that **Ms. Wisniewski** serve as a point of contact for the committee, but, that the committee would no longer meet unless necessary. All **OMCA Board** members agreed.
- A discussion regarding the invitation to have dinner with Councilman Ball took place. **Ms. Thomas** expressed concern that the OMCA Board make sure to comply with the open meeting policy. It was decided that **Ms. Cederbaum** would include information in upcoming enews about the dinner meeting and since it is an open meeting residents could attend if they wanted to. **Ms. Cederbaum** will get a list of available dates from Ms. Pruiim.
- A discussion regarding the request to access funds from the Villages Contingency Fund to research online voting took place. **Ms. Cederbaum** gave background information regarding how idea of pursuing online voting came about. She also gave information about the use of the Villages Contingency Fund. **Mr. Edelson** asked if each village will be responsible for their own online voting system. **Ms. Cederbaum** stated no, it would be purchased as a group investment, but then broken down to be specific to the voting practices of each village. **Mr. Verchinski** asked if the legal review of elections that was being considered for all of the villages included looking into changing the term from 1 to 2 years. **Ms. Cederbaum** stated she would have to check on that further. **Ms. Thomas** asked if there would still be an election day of voting as well as a mail in ballot. **Ms. Cederbaum** stated yes, online voting would be in addition to. A discussion regarding whether or not the **OMCA Board** would be open to having a representative come and speak to them about how online voting works. **Mr. Thomas** suggested possibly using the contingency fund to look into New Town Zoning. **Mr. Verchinski** also suggested using the fund to hire consultants to look into New Town Zoning. **Mr. McCormack** asked how the **OMCA Board** wanted to proceed. **Mr. Verchinski** expressed concerns over the security of online voting. **Mr. Edelson** thinks looking in to online voting is a good thing. **Ms. White** asked what the time frame was. **Mr. McCormack** requested a motion, but no motion was put forth at this time.
- Daniel Kirk-Davidoff was present to give an update about the Watershed Advisory Committee (ATTACHMENT “G”). **Mr. Verchinski** asked about permeable driveways. **Mr. Kirk-Davidoff** stated he would continue to research. **Ms. Wisniewski** asked where the Columbia Association was in regards to rain gardens. **Mr. Kirk-Davidoff** stated he would look into that as well.

- **Mr. McCormack**, based on suggestions from residents, proposed a new committee be formed called the “Neighborhood Enhancement Advisory Committee.” This committee’s scope of work could include: identify ways to look into a systematic resolution to the foreclosed and abandoned property problems; advocate on behalf of Oakland Mills before the Planning Board; advise **OMCA Board** about the plan for the New Town district and any actions in regard to that; County ordinances regarding parking oversized vehicles on street parking and cul de sacs which impedes access by emergency vehicles; begin discussion with police department to look into finding another location for their police substation here. **Mr. McCormack** made a motion to create the Neighborhood Enhancement Advisory Committee with the scope of work including proposed examples and to have Paul Verchinski and Lynn Engelke as Co-Chairs. **Ms. Wisniewski** seconded. **Ms. Wisniewski** explained some of the parameters of this proposed committee. **Mr. Edelson** suggested setting up the committee similar to the way the Education and the Housing committee are set up and requested that the committee bring its’ objectives to the OMCA Board. **Ms. Thomas** stated that residents who were interested could volunteer to be on the committee. **Mr. Avery** stated that it was important to spell out parameters of the committee to be certain it has direct goals. **Mr. McCormack** will ask **Mr. Verchinski** and **Ms. Engelke** put together a vision statement with goals and objectives. A vote was taken and the motion passed (6-0-0).
- **Mr. McCormack** gave background information on the plan to implement affordable housing in downtown. He asked the **OMCA Board** to take a position that they are for keeping affordable housing in downtown. **Mr. Verchinski** made a motion to support affordable housing within the boundaries of Town Center. **Ms. Thomas** seconded and the motion passed (6-0-0). **Mr. McCormack** requested **Ms. Cederbaum** to write a letter to County Executive Allen Kittleman, County Council members, Columbia Downtown Housing Commission members, Roy Appletree, Tom Carbo, and Mark Thompson, Downtown Columbia Partnership regarding the **OMCA Boards’** position.
- **Mr. McCormack** motioned to approve an additional five hours for the attorney, Pamela Soroto. **Mr. Verchinski** seconded and the motion passed (5-0-1).

Architecture Committee

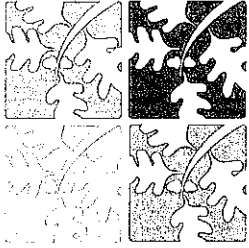
- **Ms. Wisniewski** requested that the **OMCA Board** vote and move forward on the three properties (ATTACHMENT “H”, “I”, and “J”).
- **Ms. Thomas** motioned to send the 15 day covenant violation letter to **9434 Kilimanjaro Road**. **Mr. Edelson** seconded and the motion passed (6-0-0).
- **Mr. McCormack** motioned to send the 15 day covenant violation letter to **9607 Rocksparkle Row** with the addition of the request to remove the dead trees. **Ms. Thomas** seconded and the motion passed (6-0-0).
- **Ms. Thomas** motioned to send the 15 day covenant violation letter to **5612 Thunder Hill Road**. **Mr. Edelson** seconded and the motion passed (6-0-0).

Board Bulletin Board

- **Mr. Verchinski** stated that the Columbia Association is currently accepting bids for the Solar Coop program. They will be making a decision in June on the installer and then will be going out to residents to see who is interested. **Mr. Verchinski** was asked to attend the June 23rd meeting on behalf of Bridge Columbia, but will not be available. He left a message with County Executive Kittleman’s office to see if another **OMCA Board** member could attend in his place.

The regular OMCA Board meeting was adjourned at 9:24 pm.

Respectfully submitted: Brigitta Warren, Event and Administrative Coordinator



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Board Meeting Will Begin at 7:30 p.m.
Meeting Agenda
May 26, 2015

6:30 p.m.: Pursuant to the HomeOwners Association Act, the Oakland Mills Community Association Board of Directors will meet in closed session for consultation with legal counsel.

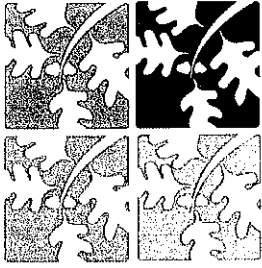
Board Meeting

- 7:30 p.m. Opening of meeting**
Approve the agenda for tonight's meeting
Approve the minutes from the May 12, 2015 meeting
- 7:35 p.m. Resident Remarks**
- 7:45 p.m. New Business**
Reports from Committee Representatives
Public Space Committee: Gerry Witte (may be in writing)
Senior Advisory Committee: Paul Verchinski
Watershed Advisory Committee: Daniel Kirk Davidoff (will arrive at 8:30 p.m.)
Tennis Advisory Committee: Jim Alvey
- Appointment of Oakland Mills Village Manager
(as per Oakland Mills Community Association By-Laws, Sec. 4.02)
- Discussion of the future of the Reinventing Oakland Mills Task Force
- Discussion of invitation to have dinner with Councilman Ball
- Discussion of Request for Funds from Villages Contingency Fund
for a legal review of election and voting policies and procedures
for all ten villages. Review to focus on steps necessary for
villages to pursue online voting for village elections and to
cancel an election if there are non-contested races for board and CCR seat.
- 8:30 p.m. Board Co-Chair Remarks, Ginny Thomas, Bill McCormack**
- 8:35 p.m. New Business (continued)**
Watershed Advisory Committee: Daniel Kirk Davidoff

- 8:45 p.m. Architecture Committee, Kay Wisnewski**
Presentation of 3 15 day covenant violation notices
- 9:05 p.m. Board Bulletin Board**
- 9:10 p.m. Adjourn**

Upcoming Events

- May 28, PAINT night, 6:30 p.m
June 9, OMCA Board, 7:00 p.m.
June 14, Jazz in the Mills Presents Lavenia Nesmith, 5:00 p.m.
June 23, OMCA Board, 7:00 p.m.
June 25, OMCA Family Movie Night "Finding Nemo", 6:30 p.m.
July 14, OMCA Board, 7:00 p.m.
July 28, OMCA Board, 7:00 p.m.
August 4, OMCA Pool Party and National Night Out
August 11, OMCA Board, 7:00 p.m.
August 25, OMCA Board, 7:00 p.m.
August 30, Jazz in the Mills Presents Kristine Key, 5:00 p.m.



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Regular OMCA BoD Meeting

Ms. Cederbaum called the regular meeting of the OMCA Board of Directors to order at 7:27 pm.

Present: Bill McCormack, Jr., Board Co-Chair; Virginia Thomas, Board Co-Chair;; Kay Wisniewski, AC Chair; Jonathan Edelson, Vice-Chair; Reginald Avery, CA Board; Paul Verchinski; Marcia White; Bill Woodcock; Sandy Cederbaum, Village Manager; Brigitta Warren, Event & Administrative Coordinator

Also Present: See Resident List

Opening of Meeting

- **Ms. Wisniewski** motioned that the agenda for May 12, 2015 (ATTACHMENT "A") be approved. **Mr. Verchinski** seconded and the motion passed (7-0-0).
- **Ms. Thomas** motioned to accept the April 28, 2015 OMCA Board meeting minutes with amendments (ATTACHMENT "B"). **Mr. Edelson** seconded and the motion passed (7-0-0).

Election of New Board Officers

- **Ms. Cederbaum** called for the nomination of new Board officers. **Ms. Wisniewski** nominated **Mr. McCormack Jr.** and **Ms. Thomas** as Board Co-Chairs. **Mr. Verchinski** seconded. **Mr. Avery** nominated **Mr. Edelson** and **Mr. Woodcock** to be Board Co-Chairs. **Mr. Verchinski** called for a Point of Order and asked if **Mr. Avery**, not being an OMCA Board member, has the ability to nominate Board members for open positions. **Ms. Cederbaum** read **Oakland Mills Community Association, Inc., Articles of Incorporation, Art. 9: 9** "*The members of the Association shall in each year elect from among the members thereof a representative to serve a one year term as a member of the Columbia Council. The representative so elected shall be entitled, ex officio, to attend all meetings of the Board of Directors and shall have the same rights as a Director, except that he shall not have the right to vote as a Director in any matter.*," which allows **Mr. Avery**, as the CCR, that ability.
- **Mr. Woodcock** called for a Point of Order as those nominated have to accept the nomination and asked to withdraw his name from the nomination. **Mr. Edelson** stated he was not clear what he was being nominated for. **Mr. Avery** explained that he was putting forth two Co-Chair names in response to the nominations of two co-chairs made by **Ms. Wisniewski**. **Mr. Avery** amended his nomination to **Mr. Edelson** and **Ms. White** and Board Co-Chairs. **Ms. White** did not accept the nomination. **Mr. Edelson** declined the nomination. **Mr. Woodcock** motioned to accept **Mr. McCormack** and **Ms. Thomas** as

2015-2016 Board Co-Chairs. **Ms. Wisniewski** seconded and the motion passed (7-0-0).

- **Ms. Thomas** motioned to have **Mr. Edelson** serve as the Board Vice-Chair. **Mr. Verchinski** seconded and the motion passed (7-0-0).
- **Mr. Edelson** motioned to have **Ms. Wisniewski** serve as the Architecture Committee Chair. **Ms. Wisniewski** seconded and the motion passed (7-0-0).
- **Ms. Thomas** thanked the Board for the vote of confidence. **Mr. McCormack** seconded her statement.

Resident Remarks

- Robert Goodwin, MD who owns a Professional Family Care Physicians office in the Stevens Forest Professional Park was present to introduce himself and his new colleague, Manjul Sharma, MD whose specialty is Internal Medicine. **Ms. Cederbaum** stated she would add their office to the OM Festival Mailing list. **Ms. Wisniewski** mentioned the possibility of either one of them helping with the next presentation on Lyme disease.

Discussion of Bridge Columbia and Howard County Council FY16 Budget

- Fred Gottemoeller a member of the Bridge Columbia committee was present to give updates regarding the proposed Howard County FY16 Capital Budget. He stated two things that were disturbing to Bridge Columbia were; 1) the 3rd interchange on Route 29 and its interference with Bridge Columbia; will it prevent Bridge Columbia from being built and how does the 3rd interchange affect Oakland Mills and 2) John Powell, HC Office of Transportation, had discussed, at a budget work session of the Columbia Council, that there are plans of the administration to fix up the existing bridge. He stated that there is going to be a funding roundtable held in June to attract grants for Bridge Columbia. He asked that the OMCA Board approach the Howard County administration jointly with Bridge Columbia.
- **Ms. Thomas** asked about the 3rd interchange and where it was actually proposed to go. Mr. Gottemoeller stated there was a proposal that the interchange would go straight downtown and not provide a connection to Oakland Mills. Bridge Columbia would like to see minimal amounts of proposed money go towards cosmetic repairs to the bridge and most of funds used for preliminary engineering for Bridge Columbia. Mr. Gottemoeller stated that it would most likely be at least a year's process to get funds.
- **Mr. McCormack** thanked Bridge Columbia for attending and asked what Bridge Columbia's recommendations were. Mr. Gottemoeller stated that the funding roundtable should be monitored and may look to the OMCA Board for support. Regarding the funding engagement process, Mr. Gottemoeller recommended that the OMCA Board be fairly aggressive.
- Mr. Gottemoeller suggested doing a survey to find out who is utilizing the Bridge. Discussion followed with no decision on a survey at this point

Administrative Duties

- **Ms. Cederbaum** distributed administrative packets to each OMCA Board member. She requested that each OMCA Board member sign and return to her the "Acknowledgement of Conflict of Interest Policy" And Fiduciary Responsibility form. All board members signed and returned both forms.

Board Action Items

- All OMCA Board members were in agreement to appoint all Board members to the Oakland Mills Architecture Committee.
- OMCA Board members **Paul Verchinski, Bill McCormack, Kay Wisniewski and Jonathan Edelson** names will be sent to the Columbia Association for approval to sit on the OMCA Architecture Committee as Columbia Association's appointed members.

- **Mr. McCormack** asked to appoint the listed members to the 2015-2016 Residential Architectural Committee: **Michael Vaughn, Elinda Dennis, Marcelo Amador, Carl McKinney, Susan Lynn, Jeff Webber**. **Ms. Thomas** motioned to accept these appointments. **Mr. Edelson** seconded and the motion passed (7-0-0).
- **Ms. Thomas** motioned to appoint **Mr. Edelson** and **Mr. John DiTimasso** as Education Co-Chairs. **Mr. McCormack** seconded and the motion passed (7-0-0).
- **Ms. Thomas** motioned to appoint **Mr. McCormack** as the 2015-2016 Housing Chair. **Mr. Edelson** seconded and the motion passed (7-0-0).
- **Ms. Thomas** motioned to appoint **Mr. Edelson** as the 2015-2016 Marketing Chair. **Mr. Woodcock** seconded and the motion passed (7-0-0).
- **Ms. Thomas** motioned to appoint **Mr. Woodcock** as the 2015-2016 Safety Liaison. **Mr. McCormack** seconded and the motion passed (7-0-0).
- **Ms. Thomas** motioned to appoint **Ms. White** to be the Chair of a newly formed Arts Advisory Committee. **Ms. Wisniewski** seconded and the motion passed (7-0-0).

Board Co-Chair Remarks

- **Mr. McCormack** stated he is looking forward to another year of progress in Oakland Mills.

CCR Report

- A Veteran's Forum will be held at the Miller Library on May 19th from 5pm to 8:45pm hosted by the Veteran's Commission.
- There will be a CA Board meeting this Thursday, 5/14, that will include the 3 newly elected CA Board members. At this meeting a Chair and Vice-Chair of the CA Board will be decided on. The CA Board will have their retreat this coming weekend at Turf Valley.
- The CA Board is working on having the majority of the minutes from closed CA meetings be released.
- A sanitized version of the legal proceedings regarding Alan Klein will be released and the CA Board will vote as to whether he will remain a CA Board member.
- **Mr. Avery** stated he had met with Daniel D'Amore from CA Open Space and stated CA has agreed to clear about 30 feet of trees in front of the school. CA is also going to shore up the area along the walkway in front of the school to make it easier for children to walk to school.
- **Mr. Edelson** added that CA is also looking to raise the tree canopy along the front path of SFES and would like the school system to agree to do the same thing. SFES Principal noted the safety issues with the current tree canopy.
- **Mr. Verchinski** asked **Mr. Avery** about CA Board's possible endorsement of Bridge Columbia and scheduling a meeting with CA Board and the Bridge Committee. **Mr. Avery** stated that since the feasibility study report has not been released, the CA Board has not had a meeting. Once the new CA Board business is taken care of, and now that the Feasibility Study has been released, the Bridge endorsement will be the top priority.

Manager's Report

- **Ms. Cederbaum** distributed her report (ATTACHMENT "C") and the "Notes from the May 2, 2015 Street Captain's Meeting" (ATTACHMENT "D").
- **Ms. Cederbaum** introduced Bob Bertlett, Election Committee Co-Chair. Mr. Bertlett thanked the election committee and their dedication to ensure a fair election process.
- **Ms. Thomas** motioned to accept the results of the 2015 OMCA election. **Mr. Edelson** seconded and the motion passed (7-0-0).

- **Ms. Cederbaum** stated she had received three thank yous from SFES PTA for the Silent Auction donation, the OMHS PTSA for donations for their After Prom event and OMMS who used their donation for a performance by Christylz.

New Business

- **Ms. Thomas** motioned to contribute \$1125 to street beautification. **Mr. Edelson** seconded and the motion passed (7-0-0).
- **Ms. Thomas** motioned to contribute \$500 for block parties. **Mr. Edelson** seconded and the motion passed (7-0-0).
- **Ms. Thomas** motioned to send the letter to Howard County Chief of Police Gardner which states the community's appreciation to the SFES crossing guard, Ms. Bernadette Allen. **Mr. Woodcock** seconded and the motion passed (7-0-0). **Mr. Edelson** suggested adding copies to go to the SFES principal, Mr. Diaz, Councilman Ball, and former Council Member Watson who all helped to put the crossing guard in place. Arrangements will be made to present the letter to Ms. Allen and thank her for taking such good "care" of the SFES children who walk to school.

Committee Reports

Education

- **Mr. Edelson** gave a recap of the State of our Schools Town Hall Meeting that was held April 29th.
- He stated that Oakland Mills HS was ranked number 56 in Maryland and it is in the top 10 percent in the US News and World Report list of Top schools nationwide. Four out five of the Oakland Mills schools have achieved Gold Healthy Howard status. SFES is putting in a butterfly garden with the help of former OMCA Board member, Margaret Mauro, Master Gardener.

Board Bulletin Board

- **Ms. Warren** invited all of the Board members to be sure and check out some of the OM events that she plans throughout the year.
- **Ms. Cederbaum** invited the Board to attend Paint Night coming up on May 28th. She thanked the staff for their hard work. She invited the Board to attend a thank you going away reception for Sarah Pomerantz who has been a student intern at OM. It will be held on Friday, 5/15 at 1:30pm. **Ms. Cederbaum** will be a SCH judge at TSES on 5/20.
- **Mr. Edelson** thanked Sarah Pomerantz for her service on the Education committee. He also stated that regarding the monthly food giveaway, they are good with volunteers, but need more food donations. **Ms. Cederbaum** stated that she is working with Mr. Diaz to bring a food pantry to Oakland Mills.
- **Ms. White** stated she is looking forward to working with everyone and hoping for a productive year.
- **Mr. Avery** stated that Bridgeway Community Church makes deliveries to families in need in Oakland Mills. He will be a SCH judge at THES on 5/20, TSES on 5/22 and SFES on 5/29.
- **Mr. McCormack** stated great job for taking care of the administrative business this evening.
- **Ms. Thomas** stated she would like to meet with as many people as possible to sell them on OM.
- **Mr Woodcock** stated he would miss the next Board meeting on 5/26 due to the fact that his daughter will be graduating from OMHS.

The regular OMCA Board meeting was adjourned at 9:03 pm.

Respectfully submitted: Brigitta Warren, Event and Administrative Coordinator

22-May-2015

To. Oakland Mills Community Association Board of Directors

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing this letter on behalf of Oakland Mills Girls teen Softball, to request your help towards the youths of your community. In July and, August, We are planning to open a free softball program to the teen girls, grades 7 – 12th in the community. This will give them a safe, fun, learning, activity in the summer months. We are starting from scratch and are in need of the very basic's to make this happen. We have worked very hard at this so far and, have drawn positive response from all we spoke with.

I am requesting your help by form of a donation. As an integral part of the community, the board members must understand how important this would be to the girls here in Oakland Mills and, how you're valuable donation could change the future to the better for some children. The soft ball program here will open up lines of communication between its residents, businesses and, public servants drawing them closer in a friendly forum. Providing this program will give the girls an activity during the summer months keeping them busy in a positive manner.

Oakland Mills Girls Teen Softball will also act as a strong feeder program to the High School, where none exist. The girls who learn to love this game, on a field here in Oakland Mills may some, day earn a scholarship to college. This program will make Oakland Mills a more attractive place to live and, be. We can provide this opportunity here and, now, where none exist. For the Oakland Mills by Oakland Mills.

We hope you will oblige our request and, help as soon as possible so we can put these girls on the field by July. You can send us your invaluable donation in the form of a check. As is your policy we are listing the amounts requested and, in which manner they will be used.

\$450.00 will afford the fee of the 501c3 application.

\$1600.00 will afford the fee of insurance for the estimated fifty girls interested in join. Although we expect more.

\$2050.00 will afford the cost on both of these items.

If you choose to make this donation. You can make the check out to Jessica Pulliam /Oakland Mills Girls Teen Softball.

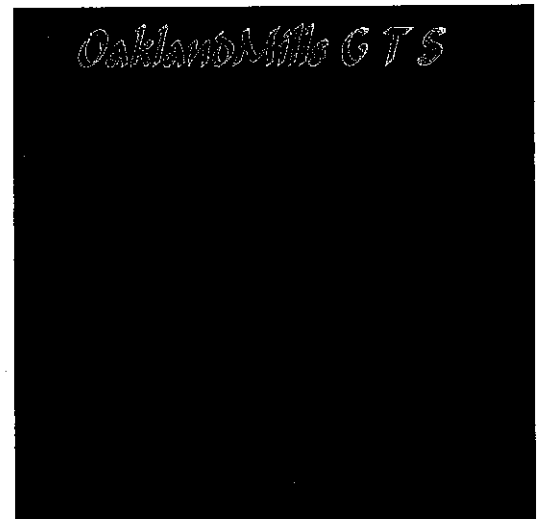
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Thank You, Mr. Lee Mckay

Director of Operations,

Oakland Mills Girls Teen Softball

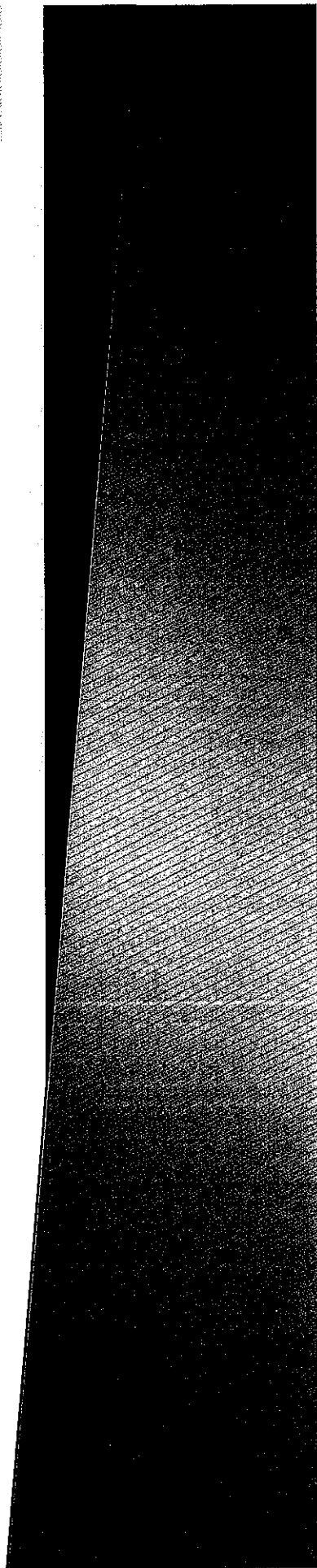


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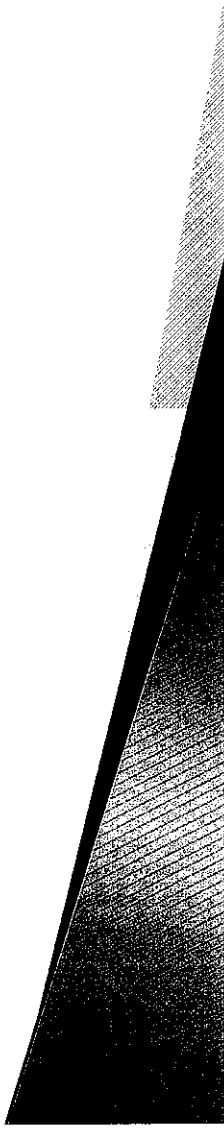
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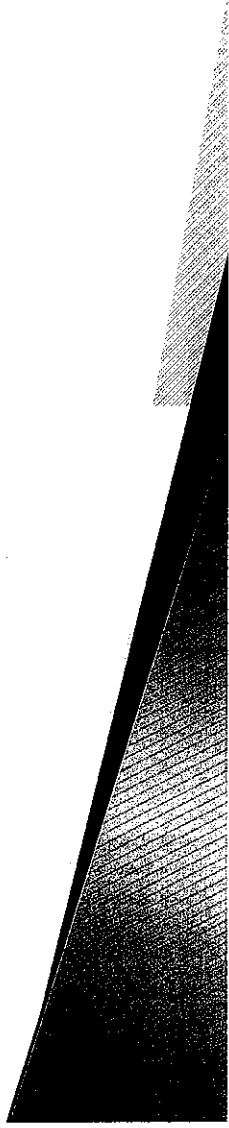
Outline

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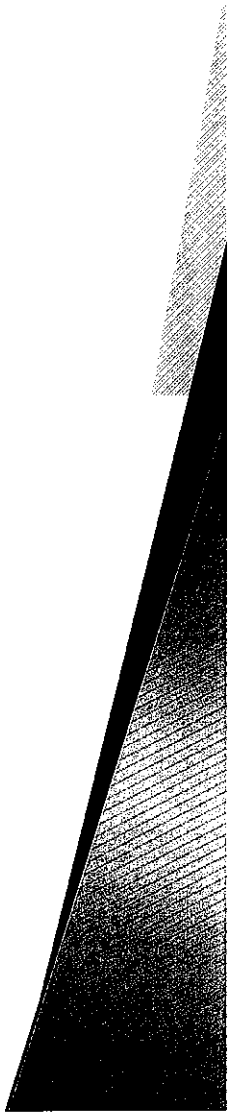
Current OM PSAC Members

- ▶ Gerhart Witte (Chair)
- ▶ Jervis Dorton
- ▶ Phil Engleke
- ▶ Michael Greenberg
- ▶ Daniel Kirk–Davidoff
- ▶ Bill McCormack



History of the OM PSAC

- ▶ Formed in the summer of 2013
- ▶ Motivated by unannounced changes in open space mowing practices
- ▶ The purpose of the OM PSAC acts as an intermediary for community concerns, plans and restoration projects involving Public Space within OM.



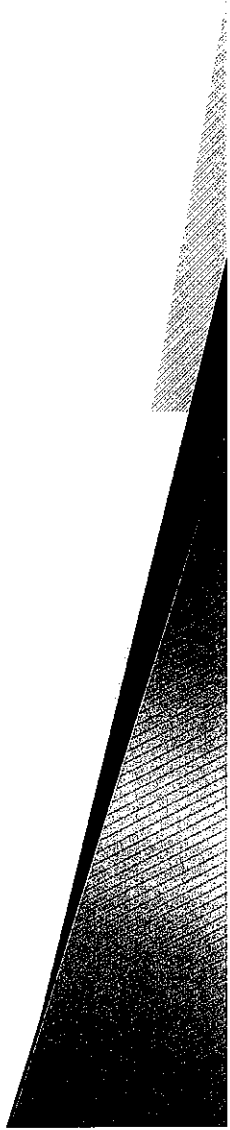
Scope of Efforts

- ▶ Open Space mowing, reforestation, invasive species control, (watershed management in conjunction with the Watershed committee), tot lots, pathways, bridges, etc
- ▶ Land and signage maintained by Howard County or the state of Maryland
- ▶ BGE, Comcast, Verizon, etc underground and above ground components
- ▶ etc



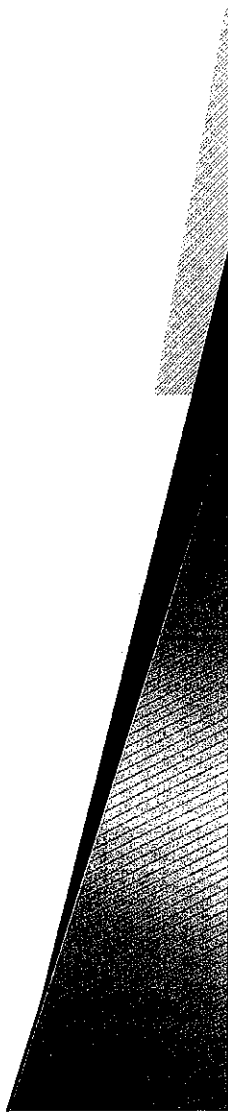
Methodology

- ▶ The OM PSAC is to act as an interface between responsible organizations (Columbia Association Open Space Management Division (CA OSMD), Howard County Public School System (HCPSS), etc), the Oakland Mills Village Board and Oakland Mills residents on issues involving public space within Oakland Mills.



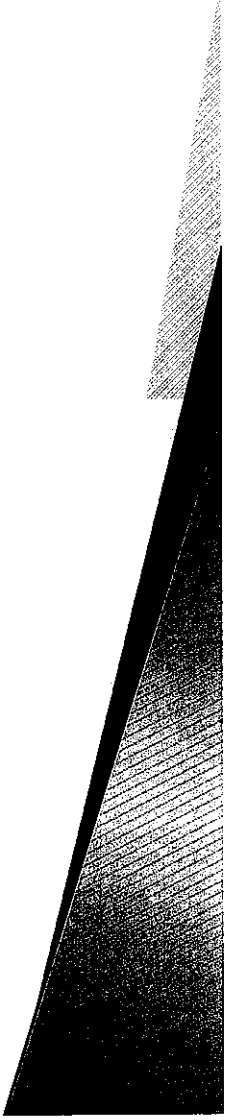
Accomplishments

- ▶ Have periodic meetings with the CA OSMD
- ▶ The CA OSMD has agreed to not make further changes to OM Open Space management without discussions with the OM PSAC
- ▶ Have made presentations at open hearings held by the CA Board on future CA budgets
- ▶ The CA OSMD has agreed to implement test projects to showcase examples of (a) landscaped beautification in the vicinity of renovated ponds and (b) invasive vegetation control



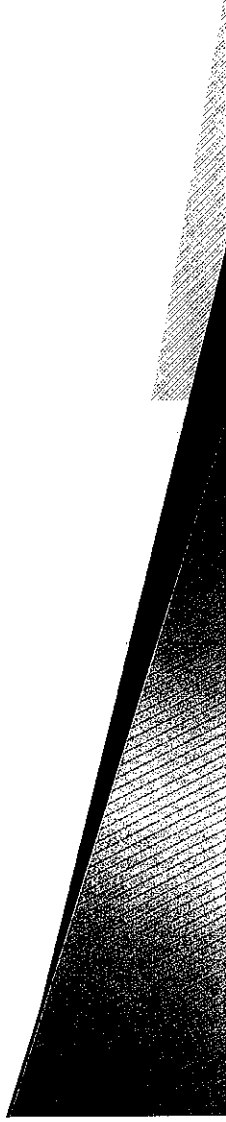
Accomplishments - cont'd

- ▶ The CA OSMD has agreed to document current open space management practices and to identify possible options for future beautification of Columbia's Open Space
- ▶ The OM PSAC is focusing on ways to get more community involvement in Open Space issues with the hope of increasing CA Board awareness of the importance of adequate funding for continued beautification of one of Columbia's most important asset



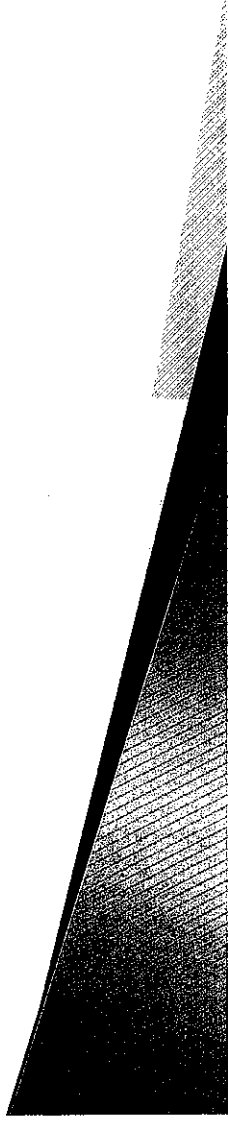
Considerations

- ▶ Columbia's Open Space is considered a "Crown Jewel" of the community (see reference by Bill McCormack)
- ▶ CA should fund a comprehensive study by a nationally recognized landscape architect to identify plans for the maintenance and beautification of Columbia's Open Space (Jervis Dorton's idea)
- ▶ Is CA subject to Maryland Dept of Agriculture regulations on noxious weed control?



Recommendations

- ▶ All Columbia Villages should consider establishing a Public Space Advisory Committee to help promote these goals in their own villages
- ▶ Each village would benefit by helping define the future of Open Space



Senior Advisory Committee
Annual Report,
May 1, 2014- April 30, 2015

The Senior Advisory Committee was composed of Roger Chang, Chairperson, Sharonlee Vogel, Vice-Chairperson, Jean Salkeld, Bernice Kish, Rusty Toler, Arleen Tate, Paul Verchinski, Mary McGraw, John Eberhard, Kathryn Sunderman, and George Laniado

Accomplishments: Each of the accomplishments ties directly to the SAC Charge or to an item in the Comprehensive Plan for Serving Older Adults

- Discussed Art programs for seniors and toured the Columbia Art Center.
- Met with Dr. Kevin Carlson, Internist and Geriatrician, and discussed Medical Advisory Board and program ideas.
- Participated on Howard County's Office on Aging Master Plan work group and monitored progress of the plan development.
- Invited to a meeting representatives from Coalition of Geriatric Services.
- Worked with CA staff to implement a pickleball program and monitored progress throughout the year.
- Hosted a presentation from Ted Myerson, United Seniors of Maryland Educational Foundation, on Technology to Enhance Aging in Place.
- Approved SAC charge for the year and forwarded it on to the CA Board for approval.
- SAC monitored progress and provided input to CA staff regarding Comprehensive Plan for Serving Older Adults.
- Participated in process of revising advisory committee charters and approved revised charter.
- Created events for seniors at various Village Centers.
- Submitted budget testimony for fiscal year 2016.
- Monitored Village in Howard progress.
- Participated and volunteered at Howard County 50 + Expo Event.
- Met with representative of Korean American Senior Association of Howard County Korean to discuss future programming.
- Attended Korean American Senior Association Thanksgiving event.
- Toured the Columbia Athletic Club and learned about new equipment and program offerings for seniors.
- Toured Haven on the Lake.
- Had monthly updates from Office On Aging, CA staff, Village in Howard, and The Commissions on Aging liaisons regarding programs and services that are happening that are of interest to seniors.
- Met with David Cookson, Howard County Office of Transportation, about Walk Howard project.

Sandy Cederbaum

From: Jim Alvey <jimalv21045@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 26, 2015 5:41 PM
To: Sandy Cederbaum; Sandy Cederbaum; Sandy Cederbaum
Subject: Tennis Committee notes - for the meeting tonight

Sandy,

My sincere apologies, but I will not be able to attend tonight's meeting. I have attached notes for what I was going to speak to at the meeting. Hopefully, you can read them or attach to the minutes.

CA Tennis Programming 2014 - 2015 Accomplishments:

1. New progressive Junior Development and Competition program was introduced - participation grew from 1363 to 1920
2. New Adult Instructional and Drill program was introduced - participation grew from 949 to 1243
3. Cardio Tennis was introduced in December 2014 - first 5 months participation was 442
4. USTA League play continued to grow and thrive - participation of 3700
5. 9 CA sponsored teams went to USTA Nationals.
6. Pickleball was introduced to the community. During the summer months met twice a week at Wilde Lake on 3 courts. Indoor season once a week at Owen Brown on 4 courts

CA Tennis Facilities and Infrastructure:

1. Construction of the new clubhouse at Owen Brown is complete
2. Resurfacing of 4 indoor courts at the AC and 5 indoor courts at the Bubble to the US Open Blue/Green color
3. Drinking water was installed on the indoor courts at the AC
4. Launched retail offerings with the latest in tennis merchandise and apparel for league teams at the best prices.
5. Long term crack repair / renovations and resurfacing of all 11 courts at Wilde Lake to the US Open Blue/Green color.

CA Tennis Partnerships:

1. Long term strategic partnership with the Washington Kastles - World Team Tennis team. Organized a CA night during a Kastles home match.
2. Long term strategic partnership with USTA Mid Atlantic to host big regional events at CA clubs.
3. Partnerships with Adidas, Wilson and Head to be able to offer our community the best prices on racquets and apparel.
4. Continued support of HCPSS for the high school tennis events.
5. Continued support for Special Olympics.

If the OM Board Members have any questions, they can email me at jimalv21045@gmail.com or the CA contact for all tennis programs is:

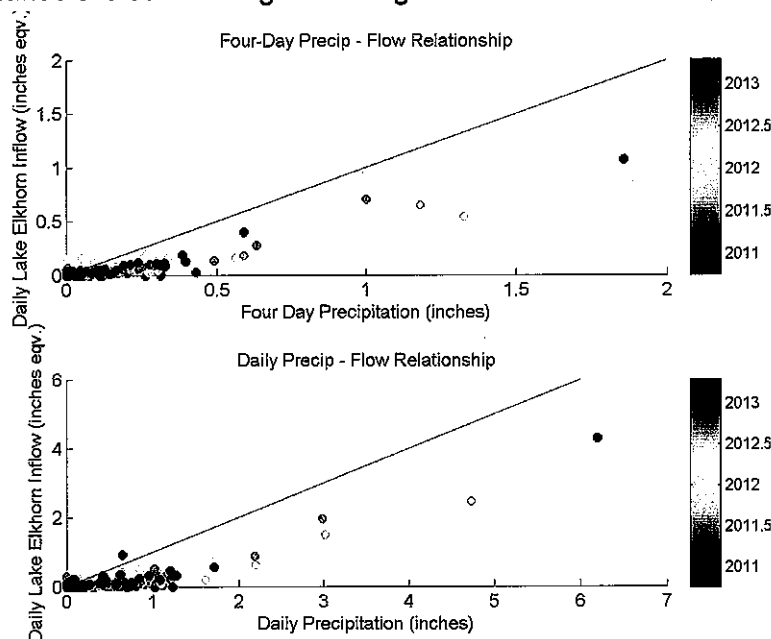
Anish Manrai
General Manager

Report on the Columbia Watershed Advisory Committee (WAC) Activities in 2014/2015
Daniel Kirk-Davidoff, Oakland Mills WAC representative

This year the WAC's activities focus on three areas:

- Compiling a detailed geographic data base of all past, ongoing and planned watershed remediation projects in Columbia
- Composing suggested watershed-related guidelines for Village Boards and HOAs within Columbia
- Ongoing efforts to foster communication on watershed issues between Columbia Residents, Village Boards and the Columbia Association Department of Open Space, and the Watershed Manager in particular.

The first item includes an ongoing review of the Versar Columbia Watershed Management Plan (CWMP, approved in 2009) to determine how much progress CA has achieved against the tasks that were identified, to define an approach for quantifying the outcomes to show the value obtained for the money CA is investing and to determine if modification of the CWMP should be recommended to the CA Board. For example, I am developing a method to relate rainfall observations and riverflow observations (from the USGS stream gauges above Lake Elkhorn and Wilde Lake) to measure the extent to which our raingardens and other constructed wetlands are succeeding in slowing the flow of rainfall into the Little Patuxent.



The second item has resulted in a draft set of guidelines that we are currently editing. These will include model guidelines for Village Residential Architectural Committees for approval of raingardens and other changes to property that would impact runoff. The WAC is supportive and appreciative of its members efforts to start village WACs or equivalents (e.g. the OM PSAC), which have now been established with much success in River Hill, Harper's Choice, and King's Contrivance.

A member of the Village Board requested that I look for estimates of the cost of repaving driveways in Columbia with permeable pavers. I have made a few calls- two local companies that install driveways did not have experience with permeable pavers, and gave estimates of about \$14/square foot (~\$9000 for a typical single family driveway in OM) for a conventional concrete repavement. I am waiting to hear back after leaving messages from a couple of companies in the Baltimore area that advertise experience with permeable pavers.