

**SIGNAL HILL HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION
P.O. BOX 2457, SPRINGFIELD, VIRGINIA 22152
MINUTES OF SHHA BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING**

The April 2005 SHHA Board Meeting was held on April 27 at Sharon Bulova's Office.

BOARD MEMBERS & COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Miriam Longo - President	Pat Hamel - At-Large
Ed Rahme - Vice President	Linda Wirth - Secretary
Becky Woodward - ACC	Gene Ackermann - BD Rep
Tom Kehoe - Webmaster	

APRIL 2005 BOARD MEETING

I. CALL TO ORDER OF BOARD MEETING – Miriam called the Board Meeting to order at 7:00.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – The March minutes were already approved electronically and posted to the website.

III. TREASURER'S REPORT – Ed reported for David.

A. Budget – \$5,000 surplus through March. This figure is in line with the budget and the surplus will dissipate later in the year as fees for Grounds accrue for mowing, cutting trees, etc.

B. Assessments – 95% of 2005 assessments have been paid. David commends JCMC for the collection of assessments as this is the best collection rate SHHA has ever achieved since he's been Treasurer.

Treasurer's report was unanimously approved.

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS.

A. ACC – Becky

1. 5613 Meridan Hill Pl – John & Tammy Kraft want to replace roof, siding, and windows. Siding will be vinyl. All materials will match existing materials on house. Becky showed the Board a picture. Unanimously approved.

2. 5627 Herberts Crossing – John & Yvonne Phillips want to paint their siding. Color chosen will be several shades darker. Becky showed a picture with examples of colors chosen. Miriam expressed concern about the color of the garage door and the front door. Becky will contact the owners and clarify
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3. 5600 Fort Coloran Dr – Annie & Libby Showalter want to convert the carport to a two car

garage as a neighbor has done. Becky showed a picture of the house with present carport and a picture of the house with the project garage. All materials and colors will match current colors and materials. This request was unanimously approved.

4. 9079 Blue Jug Landing – Ray Antosh submitted plans, a plat, and samples of materials for a shed. It will be 10 x 14 and 8’ high. Becky commended Ray for a complete and thorough request. It was unanimously approved.

5. 9021 Parliament – Becky read a letter from John Hartzel citing locations in SHHA with concrete and asphalt driveways juxtapositioned. A general discussion of this policy then took place. Linda stated that as long as she has been on the Board no change in the material of driveways was ever approved. One reason for this position is to prevent residents putting asphalt over a bad concrete driveway instead of replacing it. Gene gave some more historical background on this issue and stated that the Board had never approved a change in material for a driveway but some owners had just done it, i.e. the brick driveway was done without Board approval. Miriam mentioned that another reason is to preserve the look of the Community. Ed suggested rewriting the Covenants and making this policy official. After more discussion it was decided to get feedback from the Community on this issue. Miriam will also consult the lawyers about it. But for now Becky is to tell Mr. Hartzel there is no change in the policy but that the Board will try and get feedback from the owners on this issue.

6. 9017 Home Guard – Connie Zonny Johanson requested a 48’ gothic picket fence to keep her dog in. It will be 50% open, natural, unpainted wood, it will not be in front of the house. Becky showed a picture of what it will look like to the Board. It was unanimously approved.

7. Fence on Home Guard – The only remaining issue was with the gate. Since it is not visible from the street this fence was unanimously approved.

B. GROUNDS – Glen was not present and had not submitted a report. Ed will check with him.

C. WEBMASTER – Cathy Javaid had submitted a request to the Board to do our printing. Her company, owned by herself and her husband, SHHA homeowners, had done SHHA’s printing until the Post Office policy changed and required all bulk mail to be submitted in the same order that carrier walked his route. At that time her company could not do that but now it can. Cathy was at the meeting answered a series of questions from a list Tom had given to Miriam that covered all SHHA’s printing needs. No decision was reached but the Board is considering this proposal.

D. BRADDOCK DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE – Gene Ackermann

At April 12 meeting Sharon Bulova discussed several topics. (1) Best of Braddock awards, (2) real estate tax rate, i.e. how many cents can be cut from the assessments, (3) Transportation and Land Use Plan Task Force – 6 Hearings are scheduled (4) July 4 meeting will be a picnic (5) New dues schedule – increase to \$50 for SHHA. (6) Planning for a workshop on Covenants – Gene gave Miriam a questionnaire to answer. The May 10 meeting will be a Rountable on Covenants. The District would like to establish a website and

is asking for help and advice.

V. JEFFREY CHARLES & ASSOCIATES REPORT – Very little to discuss. Ed pointed out that three residents listed on the delinquency report had only the late fee listed as due. Evidently they paid their dues but were a few days after the due date. He suggested the late fees be forgiven and the Board unanimously approved. Miriam will conduct Candra about this.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

A. Community Parking District – Meeting with Fairfax County Board is May 23 at 4 PM. Linda, Miriam, Pat, Ed will attend. Ed will be final speaker

B. Directory – Miriam and Pat will update the information. Copies of the Covenant and an ACC form will be included.

C. Lights at Signal Hill & Wood Edge signs – Lights at Wood Edge sign have been vandalized for the 3rd time. Power still not restored to Signal Hill sign. Miriam will continue to work with Virginia Power on this.

D. SPRING INSPECTION - Pat Hamel

Overall SHHA Community looks good; most violations were trash cans (only 17) and shrubs hanging over sidewalks. A few driveways and garage doors were in bad condition, 1 trailer told to move, and only one really bad house. Conditions have definitely improved, especially carports, since inspections with JCMC have started. There will be a reinspection after 30 days then 2nd letters sent. Miriam has asked Candra to soften the tone of the 1st letter and she has done so. Letters sent so far have been good.

E. Yard Sale – Linda will place ads in Post and local newspapers. May 14 is date with rain date of May 21. Board will send post card to residents. Linda will write message and email it to Miriam. Miriam can get labels for the post cards from Candra; she and Pat will affix them; VIA- Mailing & Printing, company owned by Javaids, will print post cards.

F. Illegal parking lot – Eugene Sydnor of 5624 Point Rountop Ct complained about neighbors parking their cars in front of his home. There is also a drainage issue involved because of a huge driveway that was enlarged some time ago. The Board discussed this issue and what can and cannot be done in light of the Covenants and state and county law. Becky advised Mr. Sydnor to contact Zoning about the drainage issue.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Covenant issues – Excessive number of residents and cars at Lake Braddock and Mt. Lookout Ct. was raised by another homeowner. Another general discussion of this problem followed but the Covenants give the Board very limited power due to state and county laws.' The Board was established to enforce the Covenants and cannot go beyond the limits established by it.

B. June newsletter – Deadline for articles is May 31st. Miriam would like all Board

members and Committee Chairs to contribute an article.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50. The May meeting date is tentatively May 25th at 7:00 in the meeting room in Sharon Bulova's office in King's Park Library.