

**Kings Park Association
General Meeting
September 19, 2016
Hernwood Elementary School**

Meeting Called to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Keith Dyson at 7:10 PM. The President opened the meeting by introducing new residents to our community.

Reading of Minutes

The meetings were read by the recording secretary. President Dyson called for a motion to accept the minutes as read. A motion was made and seconded for approval of the minutes.

Budget Report

President Dyson gave the Budget Report. Out of 539 homes, only 340 residents have paid dues for 2016. We will now begin to incur bills for gas and electric now that the wall at Liberty and Live Oak Roads has been restored. Previously, the bill was smaller as only the entrance at Marriottsville and Kings Point Roads was illuminated. President Dyson reiterated that dues can be given to Block Captains or mailed to Kings Park Association – P.O. Box 1835 - Owings Mills, MD 21117.

The projected budget for 2016 is \$6600. Thus far, there is a deficit of \$1500. The budget may have to be scaled back if sufficient dues are not collected. One way to reduce the cost for the Association is to only print newsletters for those who request a printed copy and others can receive by email. We will continue post newsletter on website without the budget report (for our privacy/disclosure). You must be current with your membership dues to receive the newsletter.

2016 KPA Membership & Proposed Increase Membership Dues

Beginning January 2017, dues will increase to \$20.00 for the calendar year-January 2017 through December 2017.

The majority of neighborhood associations in the area assess residents far more than the Kings Park Association. President Dyson and members of the Board have canvassed other community groups to gauge their assessments. Also, when President Dyson receives calls from real estate agents for homes for sale, inquiring about our membership dues, they are amazed at the extremely low amount for a year.

The expenses incurred yearly include the following: Administrative (bank fees, office supplies, PO Box fee, etc.), BGE bills for entrance walls, Hospitality, Internet Website, Kings Park Improvements entrance walls paint sign, lawn cuts, etc.) Neighborhood Events (community meeting refreshments) and Printing (newletters).

Twice a year in the Spring and Fall, the Association sponsors a Community Clean- Up Day. In addition, there is a Document Shred day that is supported by a grant from LifeBridge Health.

Vice President Annie Butler provided an update on the number of block captains. Several blocks in the community are without a block captain. Paxton Road, Kerrigan Court and Hoyt Circle are without a block captain. Several members have attempted to fill in for those blocks without one. Mrs. Butler is requesting new volunteers.

Mrs. Butler reported that only 65% of homes in the Kings Park Estates have paid dues for the calendar year 2016.

Citizens on Patrol (C.O.P.)

Malik Freeman, the C.O.P. Director, provided an update on the C.O.P. activity. Mr. Freeman stressed the goals to decrease police activity, reduce violations of committed crime, and to keep the community safe and clean. The number of community violations decreased from fifteen to ten. Mr. Freeman stressed "if you see something, say something." Do not take matters in your hand.

The cleanliness and safety of the community is vital to maintaining property values. Mr. Freeman said a realtor will take prospective buyers that have an overall appeal. Tree limbs must be trimmed to keep children safe as they walk to school. Timely snow removal is required. Failure to do so can result in a fine.

Document Shred Day

Document Shred Day is September 24, 2016 from 10-12 Noon. All residents must be in good standing to participate. This means your membership dues must be paid.

Community Clean Up

The Community Clean-Up day will take place on October 15, 2016 from 7 am-12 Noon. Acceptable materials will be posted on the website.

Baltimore Link- Bus 81 (Kings Point Square Shopping Center)

The MTA is revising many transit lines. Baltimore Link #81 will transport riders to the Kings Point Square shopping Center. This means the bus loop at Liberty and Chapman Roads will be discontinued. The benefit to senior citizens is that the system will allow the Mobility bus to expand its operation in Randallstown.

KPA Board Election

The KPA Board Election will take place on November 21, 2016 at Hernwood Elementary School. The time is 7PM. All positions are open. Any names should be submitted to Thomas Ellington in order to be placed on the ballot. Names will also be taken from the floor.

Miscellaneous

- There is a major concern about the vacancy at the location of the old Food Lion. Information circulating was that the store did not want to sign a long term lease.
- Water bills will be going from quarterly to monthly billing.

- There were rumors circulating about the closing of Walmart on Liberty Road and building a super Walmart at the closed Owings Mills Shopping Center.

Questions and Concerns

The Association needs to schedule a meeting of its representatives to hear the concerns of the community. We would also want to their proposals for the coming year.

Meeting adjourned by President Dyson at 8:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Pearl Kirby
Recording Secretary