# MINUTES OF LUTHERVILLE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION GENERAL MEETING, March 10th, 2015.\*

President Julie Szymaszek opened the meeting by introducing special guest Carrie Engel of Valley View Farms.

Ms Engel came to share her knowledge of gardening as spring finally comes to our area. She said Valley View offers seminars on topics like growing vegetables in containers, the status of bees in our area, and the art of bonsai. She said neighbors can also bring their tools for sharpening and get free soil analysis, as well as free advice on plant problems.

In response to questions, Ms Engel recommended replacing impatiens with dragon-wing begonias, using turf type grass seed, and letting grass frow high before mowing.

The minutes from the last General Meeting on February 10, 2015, were approved.

Communications chair Janet Daley reported some people were having trouble opening the newsletter on line and she is looking into the problem.

Hospitality chair Christine Tennies said she made plans to visit several new neighbors, and asked people to let her know when houses change hands.

MEMBERŞHIP AND NOMINATING: Marie Frederick said there are still three vacancies in the slate of candidates to be voted on at the next General Meeting, vice-president, communications, and history. Nominations will be taken from the floor for those positions. New candidates are: Eric Dana for nominating committee, John Alexander for security, and Michelle Brooks for special events. As far as membership goes, the numbers are down from last year. Marie said the management of the Cardiff-Charles apartment complex is enthousiastic about residents being invited to join the LCA, and especially interested in

security and children's events. Membership forms will go in the newsletter and it was agreed everyone should try to come up with ideas for attracting new members.

Public utilities chair Eric Rockel reported the federal flood plain study is still not resolved. Eric and others met with councilman Wade Kach to discuss water management issues and the problems on Norman, Bellona, and Melancthon Avenues due to the construction at the Lutherville Volunteer Firehouse site. Eric suggested issuing a special newsletter asking neighbors to join the LCA and get involved in pressuring the county. Julie proposed a special meeting between firehouse officials and the neighbors affected by the water problems. The former developers of the Aylesbury Road apartment complex have given up the project. Now, the group that owns the ground leases on the property wants to consider a "PUD" project at the site. Eric told them high-rise apartment buildings would "not" be acceptable to surrounding communities.

Special events chair Diana Beeson said the only upcoming event is the Easter egg hunt on March 29th at the Country Club Park playground.

Zoning chair John Alexander reported on two vacant lots for sale in Old Lutherville, one in the 200 block of Melancthon Avenue, and another in the 200 block of Morris Avenue.

Julie noted that the magnet status of Lutherville Lab Elementary School is in jeopardy. Marcia Hettinger noted the school's PTA was not included in the discussions, and that losing magnet status would adversely affect real estate values.

Marcia Hettinger reported a preliminary planning meeting for the 2016 Lutherville House Tour was scheduled for April 28th. The community is looking for homeowners willing to put their houses

on the tour, and volunteers to plan the program, shuttle services, parking, etc.

President Julie Szymanszek reported that a walking tour of Lutherville sponsored by the Baltimore Heritage Association is planned for June. Former history chair Ralph Welch will conduct the tour, and information will be in the next newsletter.

Traffic chair Jeff Dier reported the state highway administration did a spot study on Seminary Avenue and determined that speed was not a problem. Jeff is trying to get a speed board put up in an effort to slow drivers down. He also said the state is narrowing Seminary Avenue and putting bike lanes on it. Neighbors who have problems with traffic should feel free to call the Cockeysville Police station, and talk to Corporal Harrison.

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The meeting was then adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen McGee Secretary

\* List of attendees attached

## **Lutherville Community Association**

## **General Meeting**

### March 10, 2015

## Sign-In Sheet

Name	Address	Are you a member of the LCA?
1 Chustine Termion	507 Talbott Ave	YES NO
2 Julie Symas	12h nos DNISIMI	AR YES NO
3 Wholin Bound	305 Melwethor	Ave YES NO
4 DIANA Stitz	2 223 SpR1.	YES NO
5 Ray Stitz	٠, ٣	YES NO
6 Tamelet	W 222 DIVI	sun tre (YES) NO
7 All Fycher	160x TROBER	YES NO
8 Glorin Edu	l 307W. Semi	nay are (YES) NO
9 10m Granble	1613 Kwtz	AUC YES NO
10 Joanna Gutern	nuth 1721 Kurtz	Ares YES NO
11 Eric Rocke	1610 Riderwood	ed DR YES NO
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Name	Address	Are you a member of the LCA?
14	DOWN TO HUERANDOR	YES NO
<u>15 }</u>	Kinda and Fred Engers	OL YES NO
<u> 16</u>		YES NO
<u> 17</u>	Jettrey Dier	YES NO
18	Marcia fettins	YES NO
19		YES NO
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