

CLAIBORNE ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING - MINUTES

July 10, 2018

Submitted by Terry Babb

In Attendance: Rob Todd, Kirke Harper, Steve Friedberg, Terry Babb, Jake Flory, Bill Sewell, Abby West. Guest (Brent? Brian? Last Name?) Forester for Choptank Electric

Choptank Give-Back Program

Choptank Forester (name) explained that Public Service Commission adopted new performance standards in the MD Code for utilities and part of it is to engage customer base. Since Choptank is a co-op, and already engaged with its members as owners, they started their Give-Back Program that can help members with tree care, planting, removal issues. Choptank has been coordinating with local contractor George's Green Thumb. Once details are signed off with proper approvals within a right of way or permissions from private land owner, they work to come up with a plan, select proper native species, for example power line friendly if under the power line. Maintenance is responsibility of community or homeowner and planting is done in the fall. Kirke asked if the grant we received to help with the HVAC at the hall makes us ineligible for the Give Back opportunity – and it does not as that is not “like or similar”. We can utilize this program for any landscape planting at a Claiborne entrance sign and will also be of interest to individual homeowners. Contact phone number is 410-310-2916.

Minutes

There was no meeting in June. May minutes were distributed by email in advance and approved by motion from Bill, second by Steve and unanimous vote.

Treasurers Report

Checking balance \$1,110.06. Money market \$42,219.41.

Electric bill for 4 street lights went from \$45 to \$55 per month - \$660 per year. We need to look for options – maybe there is a solar option? Abby will talk to nearby homeowners to see how they feel about keeping the lights.

Traffic Calming

Kirke has been in contact with the county by email confirming what we would do and what they would do. Will send another that we met with Choptank and ask how things are coming.

Old Business

Rob stopped at sign company about name recognition plaques for windows and has contacted all 6 donor as to what they would like. The plan is to put a brad hole in each corner to attach to window. Also looking at Perpetual Plaques for a bigger one that will be done eventually and will include recognition of corporate type donors.

We have been having problems with people trying to operate the AC controller. Bill will go ahead with his suggestion of how to make the instructions simpler.

Picnic/General Meeting

August 18 at Lansdales. We will be selling and/or taking orders for t-shirts, hats. The nominating committee will announce slate and members will vote.

The budget will be distributed in advance and adopted. Rob will work on the budget and distribute by email, as there will not be a board meeting in August.

Building Committee

Jake is ordering upper cabinets from Lowe's and can then start installation. Next in line would be sink, dishwasher and faucet set. The dishwasher needs to be serviced to be sure it works.

Rob will call to schedule insulation of the crawl space and install sump pump.

Motion to adjourn at 8:25 p.m.