# Mason Neck Citizens Association Monthly Board Meeting Cranford Methodist Church 8:00 pm, October 7, 2009

#### Attendees:

Officers		Board of Directors	
Rick Hutson	President	Michael Devlin	Richard Ryan
Lucia Ferguson	Vice President	John Pionzio (absent)	Gerry Lyons
Dick Kennedy	Secretary	Dave Kyle	Bruce Scott (absent)
Bob Lee	Treasurer	Marvin Miller	Peter Weyland

Rick Hutson called the meeting to order at 8:02 and the following were discussed:

# Approval of September minutes

Motion passed to approve the September 2 Board meeting minutes (Miller/Ryan).

### September 22 General Membership Meeting ("Meet Our Representatives")

Several comments that the turnout was good and the meeting successful; Marvin commented that this would pay off in the future.

### Financial Statement (Membership Status)

Treasurer Bob Lee had a handout summarizing MNCA's 2009 finances to date:

Balance on Hand on Jan. 1: \$2303.61 Credits: \$1950 Debits: (\$2385.83) Balance on Hand on Sep. 30: \$1867.79

Breakdown of 2009 expenses: Awards--\$157.50, Postage--\$415.05, Contributions--\$500, Web Site Services--\$500, Printing--\$706.74, Flowers-\$89, Bank Charge--\$17.54

Bob also had a handout showing current MNCA membership at 97, down from 110 in 2008 and 160 in 2007. For comparison. There are 220 names on MNCA's list of current/former members and there are 800 homes on the postal routes serving Mason Neck.

Marvin suggested doing something to attract interest in MNCA, such as a food drive for LCAC. **Motion passed** to put a membership application online with an option to pay using PayPal (Miller/Ferguson). We will also send an email with membership info and a list of current issues. Discussion of appointing a membership chairperson and of possibly webcasting MNCA meetings.

### **Furnace Rd. Construction**

This was in a proffer approved five years ago so there was no requirement to notify residents when construction began. Traffic on Old Colchester is likely to increase as a result—Supervisor Hyland's office can assist in applying for traffic calming measures. VDOT plans for Rt. 1 likely to be delayed for budget reasons—Mike will

inquire. Dave noted difficulty in obtaining info from the county about the Furnace Rd. business – MNCA will ask Supervisor Hyland to assist.

# **Gunston Hall Support**

Jerry noted that the recent "Hands That Built Gunston Hall" event was poorly attended and suggested that we look for ways to boost interest in GH; he will solicit short GH testimonials from MNCA Board members.

# **New/Old Business**

Dave again raised the issue of restricted visibility for drivers at the Colchester/Gunston Rd. intersection due to overgrown vegetation. It was noted that the property is owned by the same person who owns the house (the former general store) on the other side of the intersection.

# **Next Board Meeting**

Wednesday, Nov. 4 at 7:30 PM

# **Meeting Adjourned**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:08 PM.