# Mason Neck Citizens Association Monthly Board Meeting Cranford Methodist Church 7:30 PM, June 3, 2009

President Rick Hutson called the meeting to order at 7:35

Other Attendees: Lucia Ferguson, Bob Lee, Marvin Miller. Dave Kyle, Richard Ryan, Michael Devlin, Dick Kennedy

The following items were discussed:

#### Welcome of new Board members

That would be me (Dick Kennedy, new Secretary & possessor of one key to MNCA's box at the Post Office)

### Mason Neck sign status

No news

# **Approval of May minutes**

The Minutes were accepted (Miller/Ferguson)

# **General Membership Meeting Assessment**

Rick commented that meeting went well, esp. Peter's presentation of our new web site; noted there were 81 votes for the slate of Board candidates. Current MNCA membership is 87—Marvin said it should be double that, some discussion of ways to boost number.

### HB1788/SB1276

Discussion of the status of this bill, which could weaken local water quality standards. Noted that bill is better now because Gov. Kaine added provision that would allow tougher local standards to prevail.

#### WAG (Lower Occoquan Watershed Advisory Group)

Rick attended last meeting, WAG seeking citizen input on watershed problems. Dave pointed out several apparent problems at business center on Old Colchester—poorly designed retention pond, risky diesel fueling station, no evident permit for current construction work. **Motion passed** asking Dave to provide photos and documentation of these problems by Monday. (Miller/Scott)

# **VDOT** meeting

Michael attended, noted VDOT official's shock at local opposition to lowering speed limit to 35 on portion of Rt. 1.

### **Pohick Bay Family Night sponsorship**

Discussion of Family Night as way to boost interest in MNCA. **Motion passed** to spend up to \$300 for food to be given to Family Night attendees (Scott/Ferguson). **Motion** 

**passed** to spend up to \$100 for signs that would highlight MNCA's involvement with Family Night (Ferguson/Hutson?)

## September General Membership Meeting—"Meet the Candidates"

Decided that date will be Sept. 15 or 22. All candidates for state office from our area to be invited, along with usual political invitees—Congressman Hyland, Supervisor Hyland, School Board Chair Storck

#### **New/Old Business**

Marvin noted that ICAR has a new head. Rick asked people to think about topics for General meetings after September. Richard reported on his attendance at a meeting about proposed changes in parking at BLM. **Motion passed** to put on the MNCA website an excellent briefing that Don Carr, Ft. Belvoir's Director of Public Affairs, recently did for the Hayfield Farm Homeowners Association (Scott/Ferguson) **Motions passed** to 1) support inclusion of Lexington Site on National Register of Historic Places and Virginia Landmarks Registry, 2) pay MNCA's \$25 corporate fee, and 3) send thank-you postcards to all members who have paid their MNCA dues (Kyle/????)

Meeting adjourned at 8:40(??)