

Mason Neck Citizens Association
 Monthly Board Meeting
 Cranford Methodist Church
 8:00 PM, March 9, 2011

Attendees:

<i>Officers</i>		<i>Board of Directors</i>	
Michael Devlin	President	Sergio Diaz-Briquets	Jerry Lyons
Dave Kyle	Vice President	Lucia Ferguson (absent)	Marvin Miller
Dick Kennedy	Secretary	Rick Hutson	Bruce Scott
Bob Lee	Treasurer	Rodney Loges (absent)	Peter Weyland

President Mike Devlin called the meeting to order at 8:00 sharp and the following were discussed:

Kristen Avioli provided an update of triathlon plans – it will be a “mini-triathlon” to gauge interest and gain experience. Tentative date is Sat., May 14, starting ca. 6:30 AM and consisting of a 500-meter swim, 13-km bike ride, and 3-mile run. Estimated number of participants is 100. Location is Mason Neck State Park, probably also using Gunston Rd. for part of the bike ride. The event has three commercial sponsors so far but no official name – Board members suggested that the name should include “Mason Neck” and Kristen agreed. Still must obtain special use permit from the state.

Approval of minutes: Motion passed to approve the February 2 Board meeting minutes (Miller/Devlin).

New/Old Business:

Letters of thanks to speakers at our March 1 General Membership Meeting –

Marvin suggested sending, and also a letter to the VA Sec. of Education to thank him for his attendance at the meeting to discuss Gunston Hall on the same date (letter should also remind him of our previous communication to him on this issue). We will do both.

Incinerator Discussion – Peter mentioned the soot that falls on his property and Jerry noted that his neighborhood also gets diesel soot from trucks on Rt. 1 and I-95. Dave noted that in the early 90s the incinerator burned “controlled” (and possibly noxious?) trash materials from Europe to meet its tonnage requirement. Peter noted the need for air quality monitoring stations, preferably independently operated.

Motion made and passed to send Supervisor Hyland a letter expressing MNCA’s support for the option of Fairfax County purchasing the incinerator to maximize local control of its operations, to be followed by a second letter on the need for monitoring stations.

BLM – Mike and Marvin took the new director E. Lynn Burkett for a “tour” of the Neck to get acquainted with her and familiarize her with our interests.

MNCA General Membership Election Meeting—Date set for Tues., May 24. Calendar as follows: April 6--Board will appoint nominating committee; April 18—list of nominations due; nominations mailing sent to printer; April 25—letter and election materials mailed to all Mason Neck residents. The letter will also highlight MNCA accomplishments over the past year — Marvin & Dick will collaborate on this.

ICAR: Nothing new, our next meeting with them will be May 4.

Membership promotion—an email solicitation will be sent, with a follow-up in the election mailing.

Eagle Festival: (April 16) MNCA will have a presence at the festival.

MNCA Award— There was unanimous agreement on a recipient, name will be made public later.

Fall General Membership Meeting— Date tentatively set for Tues., Oct 11, prior to VA state elections.

BRAC--General agreement that there will be severe traffic problems when all the BRAC transfers arrive in September, because of the scant progress in doing road improvements on I-95 and Rt. 1. The May election meeting would be a good time to discuss this — we will seek a speaker from Ft. Belvoir.

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, April 6, at 7:30 PM .

Meeting Adjourned: Motion passed to adjourn the meeting at 9:09 PM.
(Miller/Weyland)