Mason Neck Citizens Association Monthly Board Meeting Cranford Methodist Church 8:00 PM, Jan. 9, 2013

#### Attendees:

Officers		<b>Board of Directors</b>	
Lucia Ferguson	President	Hillary Clawson	Marvin Miller
Sergio Diaz-Briquets	Vice President	Michael Devlin	Bruce Scott
Dick Kennedy	Secretary	Rick Hutson	Peter Weyland
Bob Lee	Treasurer	Dave Kyle	Vacant

President Lucia Ferguson called the meeting to order at 8:05 and the following were discussed:

**Approval of minutes: Motion passed** to approve the Dec. 5 Board meeting minutes (Bruce/Marvin).

# New/Old Business:

**Discussion of by-laws revision:** Much of the meeting was spent going over the revisions prepared by Dick, with input from Marvin, Hillary, and others, with the intention of having the membership vote on them at the Feb. 12 meeting

**Feb. 12 General membership Meeting:** The invited speaker has not confirmed, Dean Bartoli from S-CAR (School for Conflict Analysis and resolution) is the back-up.

Meadowood Interpretive Strategy/special meeting: Has not taken place yet.

**Memorial service for Ray Rainwater:** Will be on Feb. 9. **Motion passed** to spend up to \$200 for some kind of memorial for Mr. Rainwater, to be done in conjunction with LCAC and the South County CofC.

**Problems with interrupted electrical service**: Motion passed (Bruce/Marvin) to send a letter to Senator Puller, Delegate Albo, and Supervisor Hyland, asking them to support having at least the trunk power line on Gunston Road placed underground, to decrease the number and severity of power outages; Bruce will take lead in drafting.

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

Meeting Adjourned: Motion passed to adjourn at 8:55 PM. (Marvin/Lucia)

# Mason Neck Citizens Association Monthly Board Meeting Cranford Methodist Church 7:30 PM, Feb. 6, 2013

#### Attendees: **Officers Board of Directors** Lucia Ferguson President Hillary Clawson Marvin Miller Sergio Diaz-Briquets Vice President Bruce Scott Michael Devlin (absent) Dick Kennedy Peter Weyland Secretary **Rick Hutson** Bob Lee Treasurer Dave Kyle Vacant

President Lucia Ferguson called the meeting to order at 7:37 and the following were discussed:

**Approval of minutes: Motion passed** to approve the Jan. 9 Board meeting minutes (Marvin/Hillary).

# New/Old Business:

**Discussion of by-laws revision:** The Board again reviewed the revisions prepared by Dick, with input from Marvin, Hillary, and others, including some additional changes to put the election procedures for all Board members (Officers and Directors) in the same section. Dick will do a final clean-up tomorrow, so that that the revised by-laws (with changes highlighted) can be sent to the membership for review before the Feb. 12 General Membership Meeting.

**Feb. 12 General membership Meeting:** Dick will print 40 hard copies of the by-laws, also with the changes highlighted, for members to have in hand at the meeting, so that the proposed changes can be voted on. Dick will also post a listing for the meeting on the Lorton Patch Events calendar. Peter will email a reminder about the meeting.

Lucia will go over the proposed by-laws changes, answer questions, and call for a vote. Dean Bartoli from S-CAR (School for Conflict Analysis and resolution) will then be the main speaker and provide an update of S-CAR happenings and plans. Dick will make name badges for Dean Bartoli and Marcia Hanson (from Supervisor Hyland's office).

**Annual Audit (required by MNCA by-laws):** Hillary and Sergio volunteered to outline an audit process by April.

**BLM/Meadowood:** At Marvin's suggestion, a resolution to contact USO was passed (second by Hillary) to discuss activities on Mason Neck that would be relevant to Wounded Warriors.

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

Meeting Adjourned: Motion passed to adjourn at 8:42 PM. (Peter/Sergio)

# Mason Neck Citizens Association Monthly Board Meeting Cranford Methodist Church 7:30 PM, March 11, 2013

#### Attendees:

Officers		Board of Directors	
Lucia Ferguson	President	Hillary Clawson	Marvin Miller
Sergio Diaz-Briquets (absent)	Vice President	Michael Devlin (absent)	Bruce Scott (absent)
Dick Kennedy	Secretary	Rick Hutson	Peter Weyland (absent)
Bob Lee	Treasurer	Dave Kyle (absent)	Vacant

President Lucia Ferguson called the meeting to order at 7:35 and the following were discussed:

Approval of minutes: Motion passed to approve the Feb. 6 Board meeting minutes (Rick/Hilary).

# New/Old Business:

**Eagle Fest:** Will be April 20 at Mason Neck State Park, which is working with the other parks on the Neck on the details.

**MNCA's Conservationist of the Year Award:** Discussion of possible recipients and a motion was made and passed designating the selected person (Marvin/Rick)

**Andrea Bartoli's presentation at the General membership Meeting**: Complete agreement that it was outstanding, Secretary Dick will draft a letter of thanks/appreciation.

**May Meeting (Board election meeting):** Date tentatively set for May 14; need to form a nominating committee, chaired by previous MNCA President (Michael), per the by-laws.

**Cleaned-up copies of February minutes and revised by-laws:** Dick will prepare and send to Peter for posting on our web site.

MNCA Committees: Can form on an as-needed basis.

**MNCA banner**: Dick suggested getting a new one because the old one is worn and says "Civic" instead of "Citizens"; he will bring some ideas to the next Board meeting.

**MNCA checks**: President Lucia will be the co-signer required by the by-laws.

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, April 3, at 7:30 PM.

Meeting Adjourned: Motion passed to adjourn at 8:20 PM. (Lucia/Dick)

Mason Neck Citizens Association Monthly Board Meeting Cranford Methodist Church 7:30 PM, April 3, 2013

#### Attendees:

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

President Lucia Ferguson called the meeting to order at 7:35 and the following were discussed:

**Martin Rizer**, chair of the South County Federation's (SCF) Land Use Committee, and Linwood Gorham, summarized the history of the 2007 agreement between the Park Authority and ESI concerning use of the landfill. In exchange for raising the allowed height of the landfill from 290 feet to 412 feet, in phases through 2018, ESI agreed to develop part of the area as a park open to the public, also in phases. However, nothing has yet been opened to the public, and ESI has cited an exception clause in the agreement. The County is pressing ESI to comply with the original plan. A **motion was made and passed** that MNCA supports SCF's resolution endorsing ESI's compliance with the original plan. (Marvin/Dick)

**Approval of minutes: Motion passed** to approve the March 11 Board meeting minutes (Peter/Rick).

**BLM/Meadowood:** Good news: BLM has signed a new one-year agreement with stable operator Alison Mills that will keep the stable open and raise the number of horses allowed to 30.

May Meeting (Board election meeting): Date set for May 21; names of nominees will be sent to membership 30 days in advance.

**Eagle Fest:** (April 20 at Mason Neck State Park): MNCA will have a table, as usual, manned by Board members. Rick will bring a tent. A **motion was made and passed** confirming the recipient of MNCA's Conservationist of the Year Award and allowing payment for a plaque which will be awarded at the Eagle Fest. Peter will locate in his files a map of the Neck done by our late Board member, Jerry Lyons, and Michael will print copies to give to visitors to our table.

**MNCA Committees**: Agreement that the Resource Protection and Neighborhood Committees are not currently needed; the Website and ListServe Committee will continue, and the Watchdog Committee will be renamed as the Executive Committee **MNCA banner**: Dick presented some possible designs; will make some changes based on the discussion. Peter may be able to make some improvements. Banner hopefully will be available for the Eagle Fest, cost \$40-\$50.

**MNCA Audit Procedures:** Hillary presented a list of suggested procedure that Sergio helped compile; Lucia asked other Board members to submit comments by April 12.

**Wounded Warriors**: Marvin will try to set up a meeting the USO head at Ft. Belvoir and the LCAC to discuss how Mason Neck can contribute.

**New Award:** Discussion and general agreement on establishing an award in Jerry Lyons' honor that would be given at our annual election meeting to a deserving recipient for outstanding community service.

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, May 1, at 7:30 PM.

Meeting Adjourned: Motion passed to adjourn at 8:56 PM. (Hillary/Dave)

# Mason Neck Citizens Association Monthly Board Meeting Cranford Methodist Church May 1, 2013

Attendees:			
Officers		<b>Board of Directors</b>	
Lucia Ferguson	President	Hillary Clawson (absent)	Marvin Miller
Sergio Diaz-Briquets	Vice President	Michael Devlin (absent)	Bruce Scott (absent)
Dick Kennedy	Secretary	Rick Hutson	Peter Weyland (absent)
Bob Lee	Treasurer	Dave Kyle (absent)	Vacant

President Lucia Ferguson called the meeting to order at 7:39 and the following were discussed:

**Approval of minutes: Motion passed** to approve the April 3 Board meeting minutes (Rick/Sergio).

# New/Old Business:

**Indian Springs:** Three Board members (Lucia, Hillary & Dick) met on April 23 at Indian Springs with Mr. and Mrs. Taft and the developer who plans to build nine homes on the site. They are seeking MNCA's endorsement for connecting these homes to the sewer on nearby Mason's Passage, which would be less costly than the alternative of constructing a septic field for each house. This proposal was discussed at length by the Board, which then **unanimously passed a motion (Marvin/Rick**) to send a letter to Supervisor Hyland saying that we appreciate his past efforts not to allow sewer on Mason Neck, and stating that we are adamantly and strenuously opposed to any public sewer connection--specifically including Mason's Passage-because it would be the beginning of creeping encroachment of sewer on Mason Neck. The board also agreed to send a copy of the letter to the South County federation.

# June 4 General membership Meeting (date changed from May 21): Motion passed

(Marvin/Bob) to invite the USO person from Fort Belvoir to be the speaker. Dick will prepare ballots and updated statements from the Board candidates to be emailed to the membership no later than 10 days before the meeting, and will prepare a postcard about the meeting for mailing to all Mason Neck residents one-two weeks before the meeting.

**Mason Neck wildlife**: Dick mentioned seeing an outstanding slide show of wildlife photos taken on the Neck--the Board agreed that the presenter should be invited to a future MNCA meeting.

**New Community Service Award**: The Board discussed and **a motion was passed (Marvin/Rick)** to create such an award, named in honor of Jerry Lyons, for his many years of service to the Mason Neck community, and to designate Jerry posthumously as the first recipient.

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, June 4, at 7:30 PM.

Meeting Adjourned: Motion passed to adjourn at 8:23 (Marvin/Rick).

# Mason Neck Citizens Association Monthly Board Meeting Cranford Methodist Church June 5 , 2013

### Attendees:

Officers		<b>Board of Directors</b>	
Lucia Ferguson	President	Hillary Clawson	Marvin Miller (absent)
Sergio Diaz-Briquets (absent)	Vice President	Adam Dameron	Missy Salisbury
Dick Kennedy	Secretary	Michael Devlin	Bruce Scott (absent)
Bob Lee (absent)	Treasurer	Rick Hutson	Peter Weyland

President Lucia Ferguson called the meeting to order at 7:35 and the following were discussed:

Welcome of new Board members: Missy Salisbury and Adam Dameron.

**Approval of minutes: Motion passed** to approve the May 2 Board meeting minutes (Lucia/Rick)

# **Old Business:**

**Indian Springs:** Supervisor Hyland sent a community update to MNCA, dated June 4, concerning their request for a sewer easement, which is rather non-committal. The Fairfax County Board will be voting on it, and Sallie Lyons will be raising the issue at the History Commission meeting tonight, because of Indian Springs' historical importance.

**USO:** Meeting tomorrow at 5:30 with the USO head at Ft. Belvoir, who hopefully will be a more-or-less permanent point of contact for MNCA on matters such as making Mason Neck more useful as an R&R site for Wounded Warriors.

**MNCA Audit Procedures:** Lucia suggested doing the audit required by the by-laws in the spring, Hilary made a motion to that effect, which was passed. (Peter/Michael).

**Honorary MNCA Membership**: Lucia proposed making Pastor Lorenzo Hill an honorary member and a motion to that effect was passed.

Additional MNCA meeting notice signs: May be needed; first need to count up how many we have.

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, August 7, at 7:30 PM.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:30: Motion passed to adjourn (Lucia/Dick)

# Mason Neck Citizens Association Monthly Board Meeting Cranford Methodist Church August 7 , 2013 Note: There was no Board meeting in July.

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Officers		Board of Directors	
Lucia Ferguson	President	Hillary Clawson	Marvin Miller
Sergio Diaz-Briquets	Vice President	Adam Dameron	Missy Salisbury
Dick Kennedy	Secretary	Michael Devlin (absent)	Bruce Scott (absent)
Bob Lee	Treasurer	Rick Hutson	Peter Weyland

#### Attendees:

President Lucia Ferguson called the meeting to order at 7:38 PM and the following were discussed:

**Approval of minutes: Motion passed** to approve the June 5 Board meeting minutes (Rick/Lucia)

# New/Old Business:

**Indian Springs:** No new developments; the site's historical significance may be slowing County review.

**Rainwater Landfill:** Lucia spoke with Mr. Doucette and has forwarded his letter to the Board. He said the underground "plume" of contamination has spread about 200 feet off the property but appears to be stable. Noted that DEQ doesn't do any testing itself. Also talked to Fairfax DOH--they also do not do contaminant testing. Will provide a map by the end of the week showing the location of all wells in the area. Marvin suggested that we may need to ask our local politicians for help on this issue.

**Friends of Mason Neck State Park:** Hillary provided an update--the group has completed organizational aspects--it legally exists, has a Board and By-laws, and is setting up a bank account. Note that three MNCA Board members are also on the Friends' Board: Hillary, Dick and Sergio.

**USO**: Marvin talked to Austin, Jim Moran's aide. The USO can't ask for money; we should make an offer to them of what mason Neck can offer (horseback riding, kayaking, etc.) that would appeal to Wounded Warriors and their families. Peter noted that they are interested in having a regular fishing event, perhaps on second and fourth Tuesdays, and need one or more persons to help coordinate it. Missy said she would consider being a point of contact with Fort Belvoir for Mason Neck. Noted that the state park will offer free admission and that local businesses likely would be willing to contribute.

MNCA Signs: Dave Kyle has volunteered to provide some additional ones.

**General membership Meeting--Candidates Night:** Will be Oct. 15; this is an off-off year election, main speakers will be the candidates for the House of delegates.

**Gunston Hall:** Has a new director, will invite him to speak at the next Board meeting.

**LCAC/CofC:** Peter said there will be a breakfast to benefit LCAC--Oct. 3, 7:15-9:00, at Pane e Vino.

**Fire danger sign at fire station:** Belongs to the regional park--perhaps should be moved closer to the park?

Air quality testing for the incinerator: Not being done--can we get the County to monitor? Peter has the name of a contact person.

ESI/Conrad Meehan: he has requested to speak at a Board meeting.

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, September 4, at 7:30 PM.

Meeting Adjourned: Motion passed to adjourn at 8:28 (Marvin/Dick)

Mason Neck Citizens Association Monthly Board Meeting Cranford Methodist Church Sept. 4 , 2013

Attendees:			
Officers		<b>Board of Directors</b>	
Lucia Ferguson (absent)	President	Hillary Clawson	Marvin Miller
Sergio Diaz-Briquets	Vice President	Adam Dameron	Missy Salisbury (Absent)
Dick Kennedy	Secretary	Michael Devlin	Bruce Scott (Absent?)
Bob Lee	Treasurer	Rick Hutson	Peter Weyland

Vice-President Sergio called the meeting to order at 7:32 and the following were discussed:

**Approval of minutes: Motion passed** to approve the August 7 Board meeting minutes (Peter/Hillary)

**Conrad Mehan from ESI (Environmental Services Inc) presented to the Board a summary of the company and its plans**. ESI picks up trash, does recycling, and operates a landfill here in Lorton. The landfill mostly receives construction debris (lumber, bricks, metal, etc) one of the few such landfills left. It is slated to close at the end of 2018, with ESI building a park there that would be turned over to the Fairfax park authority but Fairfax has changed its mind due to liability concerns. Also the landfill won't be filled by 2018, due to the sluggish economy.

Consequently they are looking for an alternative solution. Conrad was asked by Supervisor Bulova to be on an energy commission that recommended that the area be a "green energy triangle". He noted that most of the land involved is owned by ESI or the county. As there are many interest groups involved, with different objectives, they tried to come up with a compromise proposal. This includes keeping the landfill open until 2040, then making it an energy park with wind and solar power. This proposal is now undergoing technical review.

If the proposal is rejected, ESI will close the landfill and build the park, as required by the existing agreement, but the park would not be open for use because of the liability issue. Then, after about 10 years, the site would revert to R1 zoning.

**Candidates Night (Oct.15 at Gunston Hall):** On track, several of the candidates have confirmed, Marvin is continuing to pursue. Dick will prepare and mail the usual postcard announcement that goes to all Neck addresses (about 1100), one or two weeks before the meeting.

**Air monitoring-Covanta Incinerator:** We are continuing to pursue the issue, with the aim of establishing regular monitoring.

Indian Springs: No new developments.

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**USO Partnership Update (to use Neck resources to help Wounded Warriors from Ft. Belvoir):** Missy provided update--has talked to Orion Majewski about organizing fishing for the WW, will invite Capt. Smith to a Board meeting.

**Friends of Mason Neck State Park:** Hillary provided update--the Friends group has completed organizational stuff & Peter is working with her on getting a web site set up.

**Breakfast to benefit LCAC:** Peter mentioned that it will be Oct.3 at Pane e Vino, which is providing the food gratis, so all proceeds will go to LCAC.

Additional signs (to announce MNCA meetings): Lucia has obtained.

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, Oct. 2, at 7:30 PM.

Meeting Adjourned: Motion passed to adjourn at 8:41 (Hillary/Dick)

# Mason Neck Citizens Association Monthly Board Meeting Cranford Methodist Church October 2, 2013

#### Attendees:

Officers		Board of Directors	
Lucia Ferguson	President	Hillary Clawson	Marvin Miller
Sergio Diaz-Briquets	Vice President	Adam Dameron	Missy Salisbury
Dick Kennedy	Secretary	Michael Devlin	Bruce Scott
Bob Lee	Treasurer	Rick Hutson (absent)	Peter Weyland

President Lucia Ferguson called the meeting to order at 7:35 and the following were discussed:

**Approval of minutes: Motion passed** to approve the October 4 Board meeting minutes (Peter/Sergio).

**Oct. 15 Candidates Night meeting:** Confirmed are Senator Puller; Delegate Albo and his opponent, Ed Deitsch; Supervisor Hyland; School Board member Dan Storck; Jim Moran will attend if his Congressional schedule permits. We are allowed to provide coffee and water.

• Dick will mail postcard announcements to Neck residents (RR1 and RR2) and will post notice on Lorton Patch.

**Fire danger warning sign at the fire station:** Capt. Smith at the fire station will do whatever MNCA wishes.

**Environmental issues**: Richard Doucette from VDEQ will attend a future Boart meeting to discuss.

**Partnership with USO (concerning Warriors in Transition):** Peter and Bruce summarized past efforts. Pam Norton from USO will be contact; working through USO avoids some of the bureaucratic obstacles. We should provide a "menu" of what the Neck can offer (such as free admission to the state park). Also should provide a list of all the Neck sites with contact info. The USO will be able to provide transport-getting a bus very soon. Both Majewski brothers are willing to lead fishing activities.

• Community meeting to discuss USO on Sat., Oct. 19, 8:00 AM at IHOP.

**Rainwater Memorial Bench installation at Pohick Bay Regional Park**: Adam reported that the bench was installed near the boat ramp and will serve as a model for other benches in the park.

**MNCA meeting signs**: Former Board member Dave Kyle has donated some additional signs for announcing our general membership meetings.

"Welcome to Mason Neck" sign: Bruce brought up this issue, which has been discussed in the past. Motion passed (Lucia/Adam) to form a committee to look into the possibilities--members are Bruce, Michael, Adam and Hillary.

**Rt. 1 Corridor--"Multimedia Alternative Analysis":** Adam attended a meeting with about 40 present; first public meeting is Oct. 9; dam will continue to monitor for MNCA--our main concerns are safety on Rt. 1 and traffic on Old Colchester.

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

Meeting Adjourned: Motion passed to adjourn at 8:37 (Marvin/Michael).

# Mason Neck Citizens Association Monthly Board Meeting Cranford Methodist Church Nov. 6 , 2013

#### Attendees:

Officers		Board of Directors	
Lucia Ferguson	President	Hillary Clawson	Marvin Miller
Sergio Diaz-Briquets (absent)	Vice President	Adam Dameron	Missy Salisbury
Dick Kennedy	Secretary	Michael Devlin (absent)	Bruce Scott (absent)
Bob Lee	Treasurer	Rick Hutson	Peter Weyland

President Lucia Ferguson called the meeting to order at 7:30and the following were discussed:

Approval of minutes: Motion passed to approve the Oct. 2 Board meeting minutes.

**Presentation by Richard Doucette from VDEQ**: Mr. Doucette gave a good explanation of the contamination situation on the Rainwater property, including maps of the extent of the trichloroethene "plume" in 2006 and 2011, showing it had not progressed much during those five years. To be exact, it has progressed about 36 feet per year, and the nearest well is still 2100 feet away. Nonetheless, there is some cause for concern, so VDEQ has asked Rainwater for a remediation plan, and they have 45-60 days to reply. He noted that Rainwater has been under a consent order since 2004, which they would like to be freed of.

Peter asked about the possible source of the fine particulate deposits that have been observed in his neighborhood. Mr. Doucette that the source was more likely to be the landfill, rather than the Covanta stacks, and noted that we can request an air quality study.

**Indian Springs: Motion passed unanimously** that MNCA "stand its ground" on the sewer connection issue. (Peter/Rick)

**Treasurer's Report:** Bob handed out two documents, one showing credits this year of \$1618.24 (mainly dues) and debits of \$1618.65 (mainly postage expenses), leaving a current balance of \$2226.52 as of Nov. 5. The other document was a Wells Fargo statement of all activity on our account since last November.

Bob also had a handout of his thoughts on the dues collection process--shown at the end of these minutes. The Board will consider them.

# **Old Business:**

**Dirt/asphalt removal:** Sergio had sent an update to the Board: This illegally dumped material, which turned out to be on Gunston Hall property, has been removed,

thanks to Jess Lowry from the state park and Gunston Hall. We will send thank-you notes.

**Fire danger warning sign by the fire station:** We will invite someone from the fire station to a future meeting to discuss. Is it useful? If so, how do we keep the warning level updated on a regular basis?

**Covanta stacks:** It was noted that there has been no air quality monitoring station on the Neck since 2010, and the nearest one is in Lee District Park. We can ask Fairfax's air quality people to check.

**USO & Warriors in Transition**: The MNCA web site now has a full list of all Neck facilities. By Jan. 1 we will try to obtain details on what each one can offer to WIT, for passing to Pam at USO. Missy will be the coordinator.

# **New Business:**

**Sign Committee:** To look into a "welcome to Mason Neck" roadside sign, following up on some preliminary work a couple of years ago. Formation of a committee deferred, Peter will send out a couple of the designs that were proposed in the previous effort.

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, Dec. 4, at 7:30 PM.

Meeting Adjourned: Motion passed to adjourn at 8:36 (Dick/Rick)

Below are Treasurer Bob's thoughts about dues collection:

# MNCA DUES COLLECTION PROCESS

GOALS:

- 1. Increase Membership
- 2. Update e-mail contact information
- 3. Collect Funds
- 4. Reduce confusion
- 5. Allow meetings to be about topics and not whether or not dues are paid
- 6. Ensure membership dues align with operating budget and future needs

NEEDS:

- 1. Notice to Members prior to 1/1/2014.
- 2. Provide a method for easy payment
  - a. Pre-addressed Envelope to P.O. Box
    - i. Perhaps Printer has a single outbound and return envelope
  - b. Pay Pal
- 3. Acknowledgement of Payment
  - a. E-mail from Bob, or
  - b. Post Card from Bob
- 4. E-mail addresses to Peter for correspondence
- 5. List and Count of Members to Board
- 6. Will allow for better determination of 2014 expenditures and 2015 dues

Mason Neck Citizens Association Monthly Board Meeting Cranford Methodist Church December 4 , 2013

Attendees:			
Officers		Board of Directors	
Lucia Ferguson	President	Hillary Clawson	Marvin Miller
Sergio Diaz-Briquets	Vice President	Adam Dameron (absent0	Missy Salisbury (absent)
Dick Kennedy	Secretary	Michael Devlin (absent)	Bruce Scott (absent)
Bob Lee	Treasurer	Rick Hutson	Peter Weyland

President Lucia Ferguson called the meeting to order at 7:31 and the following were discussed:

**Approval of minutes: Motion passed** to approve the November 6 Board meeting minutes (Rick/Bob)

**Guest speaker:** Capt. Scott Smith from the Fire Department on Gunston Rd. Capt. Smith said the station was built in 1976 and he has been Captain since 2008. The Fire Department has a web site with information on things such as what kind of open burning is permitted. He noted the importance of fireplace/chimney cleaning to prevent fires. He said the station usually has 8 persons on duty per shift, with a minimum of 7. The medical unit typically makes 3-4 calls per day and the engine unit about 2 per day. They got a new fire truch in 2008 and a new med unit this year. Their tanker is 10-11 years old. The fireboat was obtained in 2004 and is manned as needed; it is the only boat on the Potomac with advanced life support.; also has a thermal imaging camera. They would like to get a covered boat lift at Pohick Bay Park to expedite launches but the cost would be about \$660,000.

**General Membership Meeting on Feb. 25:** Pam Horton from the Ft. Belvoir has been invited to speak, particularly about how Mason Neck facilities can be made more available to "Warriors in Transition" and their families. Missy will be our main point of contact person with USO

**CERT (Community Emergency Response Team):** Their contribution to the community was discussed--will invite someone to speak at a future MNCA meeting.

Motion passed to approve Bob's printing project: (Peter/Marvin)

**Covanta Incinerator:** No new info; Lucia will follow up with the air quality people at VDEQ.

**Indian Springs:** Current plans call for six houses to built with septic systems, nine if a sewer connection is allowed; the latter alternative would raise the land value of the parcel by something like \$300,000-\$600,000. Discussion of sending a letter to Supervisor Hyland saying 1) The developer should pay fair market value for getting a sewer easement, if one is granted, and 2) If the Fairfax Board approves the

easement, it should clearly state that it is limited to the nine houses and nothing beyond that without Board permission.

Gunston Hall: Suggestion made to invite the new director to speak to the Board

**Lorton Beautification:** Peter mentioned that the South County Chamber of Commerce is looking for ideas.

Next Board Meeting: Jan. 8

Motion passed to adjourn at 8:38: (Rick/Hillary)