

Minutes of October 1, 2024, Meeting of Board of Directors  
Of  
Deerfield Village Property Owners' Association, Inc.

A meeting of the Board of Directors of Deerfield Village Property Owners' Association, Inc. was held at 7:00 P.M. on October 1, 2024 at 425 Deerfield Village Drive, Deerfield Village, Shepherdstown, WV. The following directors were present: Mike Keefe, Mike Vaeth, Kirk Lattner, Bill Speg and Amy Hall. Visitors present were Paul and Pattie Wilmoth and Lindy Keefe. Janie McSwain, Debbie Crouse, Kirk Bottner and Jason Blough were absent.

President Mike Vaeth called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. The September minutes were approved.

**Finance:** Mike Keefe called for a vote to keep annual dues at \$495 for the 2025 Calendar Year. It was approved unanimously. He also discussed the mowing contract. We will continue 2 more mowings for this season and then stop for the year. If rains and warm weather continue, we will do additional mowings.

Jason Blough had presented another vendor for snow removal this winter. The price was \$300 per "push". Discussion was held on this vendor and our current one. Mike Keefe will contact the new vendor for details and we will ask Bill Sturtevant to contact our current vendor to see if he is interested in continuing the service. Board to decide which to engage for the winter.

**Website:** No report

**Rules & Policy:** Discussion was held that parked cars did not appear to be as much a problem as in the past.

**Streets and Grounds:** Bill Speg reported updates on Lisa Frey's deck and Gil Sateia's walnut trees.

**Social:** Amy Hall reported that she has a basket ready for the new neighbors.

**Officers' Reports:**

**President:** No report

**Vice President:** No report

**Secretary:** No report

**Treasurer:** Finances are solid and it looks like we will pay all bills with income from yearly dues and not have to tap into banks account(s). This was due to the purchase of the new mower. Our CD is due in the next couple of months.

**Old Business:**

**Fall Tree Program:** Bill Speg talked about the 24 trees coming from Cacapon. He talked with Jeff Blout regarding a date. Jeff would like to come October 12th but the Board felt this was too soon to organize. Bill will check for a future date.

There was discussion on where to plant the new trees. Some felt we had enough trees and could use a pause on getting new ones after this planting. There was talk on locations. Members were concerned about planting trees too close to each other due to future growth. Another concern is planting trees next to the path due to root incursion with the pathway. Bill said he would scout out possible places for the 24 trees before we plant them.

Next Meeting will be 7:00 p.m. November 5, 2024. Place to be determined.

Mike Vaeth adjourned the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

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Lindy Keefe, Acting Secretary