

**JARRETTSVILLE/NORRISVILLE COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD**

**Meeting Minutes: November 8, 2017**

**Jarrettsville Library Meeting Room**

**Executive Board officers present:**

David Seman: Chairperson

Erin Brown: Co-Chairperson

Jackie Smithson: Secretary

**Guests:**

Aurora Kahoe: Legislative Aide to Council Member Shrodes

Jason Gallion: Dept. of Gov. & Community Relations, Agricultural Specialist

Sue Sapp: Council President Slutzky's Office

**CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: 6:33 pm**

Boy Scout Troop 265: lead the Pledge of Allegiance

Jeremy Webb: Currently working on a Communication Badge, informed community members of the troop's Service Projects within our community and their various activities. The Boy Scouts meet at the Jarrettsville VFW as well as Bethal Presbyterian which is their Chartering Organization. The Troop will be selling Christmas trees at Southern Sol in Madonna starting on Black Friday.

**ADOPTION OF MIUNUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:**

**REPORTS FROM AGENCIES AND ELECTED OFFICIALS:**

Sue Sapp: Distributed County Council President Dick Slutzky's "Highlights from the County Council Meetings—October 17, 2017 and November 7, 2017."

Jason Gallion: Introduced himself as our new Community Advisory Board Liaison. Jason is also our Harford County Agricultural Specialist.

- No Shave November: a national campaign encouraging men to skip shaving for the month to "Grow it. Show it. Support Cancer Awareness." Harford County is also collecting new shaving supplies and other toiletries to support local veterans and individuals experiencing homelessness

- Harford County's 2nd annual Night of Conversation: Wednesday, November 15, 2017. Harford County parents and caregivers are invited to join in by having dinner with their families and talking to their children about the dangers of drugs and alcohol. For more information visit [www.harfordcountymd.gov/services](http://www.harfordcountymd.gov/services)

- Transource, power lines update: County Executive Glassman has met with Stop Transource Power Lines Harford County Leaders. This is a State issue but the County Government is closely monitoring it as well. Please contact our State Legislators with any concerns.

-County Executive Glassman is proposing a 20% property tax credit for eligible seniors and retired veterans.

Aurora Kahoe: Spoke about the Harford County Public Library's Living Treasures Oral History Project working to preserve firsthand accounts of what life in Harford County has been like for previous generations. Any Harford County resident, 70 years or older, living in the county at least 40 years, can be nominated as a Harford Living Treasure. Nomination forms are available at any Harford County Public Library branch or the library's website. Nominations are reviewed by the county's Cultural Arts Board for authenticity and then sent to the Harford County Council for confirmation. The County Council confirms the nomination and presents the "Living Treasure" with a proclamation. Since the program's inception in 1981, over 250 people have been named Living Treasures.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Madonna gas leak concerns: Dave Seman, the Remediation Division of Maryland Department of the Environment is working with concerned individuals on completing the sampling of wells.
2. Stop Transource Power Lines Harford County: Dave Seman, a community meeting was held on October 18 to share information from various groups that are working to oppose the Independent Energy Connection Project. Several State Legislators were in attendance. Please see their Facebook page, Stop TRANSOURCE Power Lines Harford County, MD for updates and a list of legislators to contact with your concerns.
3. Keep Madonna Rural: Nancy Dance, the rezoning request for the Southern Sol property in Madonna was officially declined.
4. Harford County Health Department Overdose Education and Naloxone Distribution, hosted by the Norrisville Vol Fire Company on December 6, 2017 at 6 pm. Register on line at [www.surveymonkey.com/r/3TP3P8J](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/3TP3P8J)
5. Meadow Stream squatter: Deb Marindin, Meadow Stream continues to have a family squatting in an abandoned house, they have been in the house for 3 years now. What can Meadow Stream HOA do? Aurora Kahoe will look into this matter, Deb will contact her with the house address. Dave Seman, asked what the Harford Co policy is on Section Eight vouchers. Aurora will also find the answer and report back.
6. Rutledge Park Unlocked Gate: Nancy Dance, emailed Captain Virden and has currently received no response. Jason Gallion, presented an email from Paul Magness, Deputy Director of Harford County Parks and Rec stating that it is not policy to lock park gates related to lack of personnel to do so as well as allowing access for police cars to patrol after park hours. Nancy is still very concerned and regards this a safety issue.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Dave Seman: The Lions Club is currently selling fruit.

Jason Gallion: Harford County Farm Bureau Banquet will be held November 11, 2017. The Harford County 2017 Farmer of the Year will be announced.

**UPCOMING MEETINGS:** Wednesday December 13, 2017, 6:30 pm at the Jarrettsville Library

**ADJOURNMENT:** Dave Seman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jackie Smithson