

Boyds Civic Association July 16, 2015 Meeting Minutes

President Hammet Hough called the Boyds Civic Association (BCA) to order at 7:30 pm on July 16, 2015. There were about 29 people in attendance.

Minutes (Maggie Bartlett): April minutes were approved as amended.

Treasurer's Report (Steve Gibson): \$14,754.31 (as of 6/30/15)

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Marilyn DeReggi (Boyd-Maughlin House): Marilyn DeReggi described how she and her family renovated the Boyd-Maughlin House, which was almost demolished in 1994. Located on the original Bonnie Brae farm, the property is actually owned by the M-NCPPC. As a public/private partnership, she has restored the home using private funds. Her lease is up for renewal in 2015 and asked the BCA for support.

MOTION (Moved and Passed): The Boyds Civic Association supports the Boyd-Maughlin House to be designated as a Public/Private Partnership for use as a bed and breakfast and cultural arts venue.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Ride On bus turnaround (Boyds MARC-MCDOT working group)** (Chair Miriam Schoenbaum, Hammet Hough, Anne Davies, and Cheryl Imperatore): State Highway Administration is studying this issue with Montgomery County Department of Transportation who will release their report in August 2015.

- **Cricket Field** (Miriam Schoenbaum): The results of the survey taken by the BCA were as follows: Members preferred trails, multi-generation playground, baseball or softball fields, or areas for tennis, Frisbee, golf, or archery. Mark Wallis stated that with the need to decrease the county budget, future field development would probably delay the decision. Some members were suggesting that if/when we get a park established, and if we could name the park, maybe we might consider naming it, "The Merritt Ednie Park."

MOTION (Moved and Passed with one opposed):

1. The Boyds Civic Association requests that Montgomery County's Department of Parks remove the Boyds local park from the cricket field site selection list, and;
2. The Boyds Civic Association suggests that the Department of Parks work with the community to see what the community wants for the Boyds local park.

- **Boyds Historical Society (BHS)** (Maggie Bartlett, Co-President): Heritage Days on June 27-28 were successful in bringing new visitors to the Boyds Negro School. The BHS is always looking for new members and donations to help us with maintaining the school as an historic site. Also, the BHS continues to have monthly open houses on the last Sunday of the month, April through October 2-4 pm.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Friends of Ten-Mile Creek:** shared their new pamphlet. Harry St. Ours will add a link to the organization from our web site.
- **Hammett Hough:** handed out pamphlets on the September 27 Lymphoma Research Ride

Motion to adjourn was passed at 8:45 pm.

Next BCA meeting: October 15, 2015 at 7:30 pm.