

**Drum Point Property Owners Association
General Membership Meeting
September 25, 2002**

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. A small group was present, but enough for a quorum.

Attendees: Carol Weinberg, Bill Quinn, John Gray, Richard Haag, Jim Reardon, Barbara Stone and Donna Raymond.

Not Present: Jo Ruggieri, John McCall, Bob Pattison and Rich Green.

- Due to other commitments, Jo Ruggieri and John McCall resigned from the Board. Jim Reardon was appointed to fill Jo Ruggieri's term.
- The Board is taking requests for another member to fill the Treasurer's position.

Guests: Brad Nash of Calvert County Crime Solvers and Hydrologist Cheryl Klohe, Water Resources Division of the U.S. Geological Survey.

Minutes: The minutes of June General Meeting were reviewed. There being no corrections, additions or changes to the minutes, a motion was made by Les Myers, 2nd by Len Addiss to accept the minutes as presented.

Treasurer's Report: Due to temporary copier problems and no Treasurer there is not a current budget statement, only a record of the current cash position.

Money from STD was received to cover the road resurfacing and repairs.

Road Report:

- Roads to be paved is listed in the current Newsletter.
- Surf & Lake Road had a collapsed pipe. A new pipe was installed to fix the problem.
- Areas that have deteriorated conditioned pipes under the road have been identified. Majorities of them are in a deterated condition. Therefore, approximately 22 damaged pipes will be replaced in conjunction with the roadwork.
- Only 1 street sign has been stolen within the last 6 months.

Board of Director Member Duties:

- Richard Haag is handling both writing the quarterly newsletter and the proposed street lights plan. If you have articles of interest for the newsletter contact Rich or Donna at the DPPOA office.
- John Gray is assigned as Property Administrator working to find the best plan for the 40 (+) lots to be used for Open/Green Space. John has been working very hard organizing, graphing and copying plats on all the lots here in Drum Point. If you are interested in any information about properties, please do not hesitate to contact John.
- Bob Pattison will continue working on the roads.

- Bill Quinn is developing the Drum Point Web Page. Currently, the temporary site is <http://dppoa.homestead.com>. Once the site is complete, the site will change to dppoa.org. Please contact Bill if you have any inputs and suggestions.

Community Clean up Day: The “Fall Clean Up” day is on Saturday October 12, 2002 from 8:00 – 2:00 p.m. Tom Gagnon is the point of contact and is looking for volunteers to assist him. The County will provide dumpsters. Dumpsters will be picked up by 2 p.m. and no more trash will be collected. Anything (trash, appliances, lawn mowers, etc.) can be brought to the dumpsters.

Crime Solvers: Brad Nash of Calvert County Crime Solvers addressed the property owners about the opportunity and benefits of the program. The Crime Solvers are a resource to the Community and Police Department. There is a telephone line set up in the Sheriffs Department where anyone can call in with any type of lead for any type of crime in the County. If the lead leads to an arrest or conviction, the Board of Crime Solvers will vote on reward monies for the lead they received. This is a resource to the Community because the calls are anonymous for crime reporting. Pamphlets, magnets and stickers with Calvert County Crime Solvers telephone numbers and information were distributed.

Street Lights: There are several pockets of darkness in some areas of the neighborhood. Sgt. Larry Titus with the Maryland State Police Neighborhood Crime Watch Program suggested, as a safety issue to add more street lights around the neighborhood. He recommended that we petition the County Commissioners for additional funding for street light installation, upkeep and management. Therefore, members of the Community are encouraged to call Richard Haag (or the DPPOA office) if they are interested or not interested in having a street light installed in their area.

Neighborhood Crime Watch Program: A Neighborhood Crime Watch meeting will be held Oct 3 at the Club. Anyone interested in joining the program please call the Drum Point office.

U.S. Dept of Geology: The Southern Maryland region is dependent almost entirely on ground water for its drinking-water supply. Everyone is concerned about the draught we have been experiencing and the possibility of wells drying up. Therefore, we asked Hydrologist Cheryl Klohe to speak on behalf of the water conditions in this area. The aquifers that underlie the region generally provide an abundant supply of good quality water for domestic, commercial, military, and light-industrial needs. Major aquifers in the region include (from shallow to deep) the Piney Point, Aquia, Magothy, Upper Patapsco, Lower Patapsco, and Patuxent aquifers. The two aquifers mainly in use in St. Mary's and Calvert Counties are the Piney Point aquifer and the Aquia aquifer. Fortunately, the water in this area is pure, clean and plentiful. However, the ground-water resource in Southern Maryland is vulnerable to contamination and overuse. The U.S. Geological is continuously monitoring these aquifers to ensure a reliable water supply for the future. A rain gauge, pamphlets and survey material of the area was distributed for everyone. For further information, please contact the U. S. Department of Geology in Baltimore (410-238-4237), or e-mail: caklohe@md.water.usgs.gov.

Paul Kerman: The original developer of Drum Point, Paul Kerman, passed away at the age of 98 years old. "The Ark" of Southern Maryland is accepting donations and contributions in his name.

General Membership Meeting: The next General Membership Meeting will be held on Saturday, December 7, 2002 at 10:00 a.m.

House Address: From the floor, Merrill brought up a good point for everyone's concern. All homes in the Community should have their house address posted with large and clearly visible numbers so fire trucks, police cars, etc can locate the specific homes they are looking for.

With no other issues to discuss, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting.