**GREENWAY DOWNS CITIZENS ASSOCIATION, INC.**
**Falls Church, VA, 22042**
***EST. IN 1942***

GDCA BOARD MEETING Feb. 28, 1989

Attending: Norm Soles, Bob Adamson, Karen Fioramonti, Mary Millsback, Imogene Slaughter, Karen Kelley

COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENTS: Norm has been dealing with Lander Allen and Barbara Noler. The meetings have gone smoothly. Other than a messy neighborhood, there are no serious complaints this time. Ft. Meyer has done a good job. Delays have been avoided; Barbara has been on site. Marshall St. is scheduled to be torn up next week. Hopefully, Custis, Summerfield and Marshall will be done by August. Ryder has phase 4 and Ft. Meyer has phase 3.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH: Keith wants us to have a check list for the neighborhood watch, so that people can check what they would participate in; base, patrol, or to get more information. When we canvass for GDCA mambership this would be a way to recruit people. Keith will have an article for the newsletter.

THE DOWNS: Karen Fioramonti volunteered to type The Downs. Bob Adamson will count and distribute the newsletters so we can pass them out. Deadline for The Downs is March 10th. Submit articles to Karen Fioramonti.

Norm will call Lander for an article on street improvements.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE: Will be the lead article in The Downs. We decided to keep the membership dues at 3.00 dollars. Norm has a lot of receipts. Bob will recruit someone for Cameron. Norm will call the Penalvers (Juan and Meryl) to do Winchester, and to do Custis, he'll contact Shirley Brown, Tom Mc Donald or Barnie Brown.

Norm and Bob will organize things this week-end so that we can get started canvassing. Commercial ads may be placed in the directory for $10.00, and members of GDCA can place ads listing their services at no cost. People should have copy-ready business cards for the directory.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Submitted to the board byKaren Fioramonti. Karen wants a policy agreed upon on how much we should pay for certain things. Norm said that the board has to obtain approval from the general membership in order to spend more than $100.00. For a neighborhood event up to $50.00 can be spentwithout board approval. From $50.00 to $100.00 has to be approved by the board. An exception is that the Downs editor may spend as necessary to pay for the newsletter, which varies in price, according to its size.

Karen Fioramonti felt that it is unfair to send flowers to some people and not to others. So, a card of bereavement will be sent for deaths, unless the board votes on sending flowers.

Everyone is reminded to let the secretary know of births, illnesses, deaths, etc, so that cards can be sent. It was discussed that we could print the names of residents that have died in The Downs, and where donations could be sent in their names.

A lid of $50.00 was decided on the citizen of the year award. Karen said that the yard sale was advertised too late lst year for people to prepare. She asked for four weeks notice for

yard sales sponsored by GDCA. There would be a $50.00 limit to pay for yard sale advertising. If more than one person is planning an event, everyone needs to get together, so that the limit is not exceeded.

Fairfax County Federation dues are due; Norm will take care of it.

NEW BUSINESS: Mary wants the GDCA to sponsor the all night non-alcoholic Falls Church High School graduation party, being held at Providence Rec Center. The board voted to contribute $75.00. Mary will check with Beth Stucker about an article for The Downs. Residents of Greenway Downs may wish to make their own contributions.

NEXT MEETING OF THE GDCA BOARD : Friday, March 31st at Karen Fioramonti's house.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Kelley

Karen Kelley, secretary

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Minutes of General Meeting: June 5, 1989
Norm Soles, president of GDCA presiding

Henry Rodriguez wrote an article for The Downs. Our association was founded over forty years ago. We are required by Fairfax County to hold a meeting at least once a year.

Now that the street improvements are almost finished, there are no major problems to deal with; there is nothing to galvanize the people to action. It takes a lot of time to put on events, and if the interest is not there, we cannot have a civic association.

Norm says as far as he knows we have the longest-standing association in the Fairfax County Federation of Associations. We obtained monies for street improvements while other associations failed. Millions of dollars will be spent altogether in our community.

In order to keep our association intact we need for each street: a contact person, a neighborhood watch coordinator, and someone to pass out The Downs. We must have a president, vice-president, treasurer, and a board of directors. If we don't have these officers our association will become inactive.

Henry Rodriguez has been president 31/2 times and vice-president 4 times. He will be glad to serve as vice-president and help anyone who is willing to be president.

There were nominations from the floor for officers and people volunteered to serve as members of the board of directors.
New officers elected were:

President: Greg Mordin
Vice-President : Henry Rodriguez
Treasurer: Karen Fioramonti
Secretary: Theresa Photiadis
Board of Directors: Imogene Slaughter, Bolling Rd., Connie Sullivan, Woodlawn, Bob Adamson, Greenway Blvd., Victor St. Hilaire, Bolling, Meryl Penalver, Winchester, Ahmed Selim, W. George Mason, Kevin Walsh, Cameron, Paul Machovec, Cameron, Mary Millsback, W. George Mason, Karen Kelley, Monroe, Ed Corisch, Greenway,

There haven't been any events lately because there have been no volunteers.

Someone asked if there is a phone number to call to put up barriers that are being knocked over. Mrs. Sharpe advised us to call Kate Hanley's office. Her staff is good and responsive. Call Barbara Noler: 246-5120 for problems with street improvements.

In the past when walkways have been proposed to be closed, there have been signs posted for public hearings. Call the phone number on the sign and sign up to testify at the hearing if you are concerned. A sign was just put up for one walkway, which looks like a garbage dump.

There is a new procedure for parking on Greenway Blvd. Mr. Selim helped to get this passed. On June 26th a sign will be put up. Each house will get one guest pass. Notices will be passed out the residents of the two streets affected. Someone wanted the passes mailed rather than having to pick them up. Residents of Marshall St. complained that because of the street improvements, they can't park anywhere.

Dr. Sharpe said that our association should be active when the need arises to face big things that come up-we don't need to be hyperactive.

Someone felt The Downs should run an article about dogs running free, loud radios, etc., because there are many new residents.

There was a question about how we obtain revenue. Membership drives earn money. We presently have two or three hundred dollars in our treasury.

People complained of slowness and poor work done on Phase II. There were excuses about poor soil. Norm says these problems have been addressed. We are working closely with Falls Church water company. He has heard few complaints about Phase III. Fort Meyer is a much better contractor.

Custis Parkway residents complained about the mess construction caused at the creek. They can't even get into their houses, and there has been flooding at the creek. Dick Glasan on Custis wants to talk to anyone affected by the construction in that area. Someone said Barbara Noler hasn't been any help. Norm will call Barbara, and won't hesitate to take it higher. Some houses on the lower end of Monroe have had flooding, also. There are others in Greenway Downs who were flooded. The sewers aren't adequate to drain off the water; so they back up.

Someone asked who to go to for problems. Start with Kate Hanley. If no response, go to Audrey Moore. We can call as an association, too. Norm feels that it's effective to call as individuals.

Someone pointed out that we should watch for the concrete drying agent which is stored in drums on Woodlawn. There is concern for our children's safety. Everyone should be aware if possible for misuse of the materials. WE should write letters and send it by certified mail. Send pictures since these are easier to prove than phone calls. Norm said to watch when the dirt is put back into your yard; make sure you let the workers know what you want done.

Henry asked if there is a subject to discuss at a general meeting; such as community improvements, taxes, zoninglaws.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Kelley

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