

VILLAGE OF FOUNTAINVIEW
Minutes of the General Meeting (In person and ZOOM)
Wednesday, SEPTEMBER 8, 2021, 6:30 PM

<u>ATTENDEES</u>	Karen Baker	Deborah Ingram
	Esther Boone	Paula Kelly
	Mary Davis (ZOOM)	Mel Wenneman
	Dennis Duckett (ZOOM)	Cam Vu
	Patty Hagan	Samantha Summers (FSR)

Deborah Ingram opened the meeting at 6:35pm on September 8, 2021. Secretary Esther Boone read aloud the minutes of the August 11, 2021 General Meeting. Patty Hagan made a motion to accept the minutes with a minor correction. Mel Wenneman seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously and will be placed on file with the Secretary.

Treasurer Cam Vu gave a summary of the Treasurer's Report. There were no questions on the report. The report will be placed on file with the Secretary and will be posted on Fountainview's website.

Committee Reports – The Social Committee reported that they had changed the date of the picnic to Sunday, September 12.

Old Business – Smart Meters - Dennis Duckett gave an update on the meeting of August 24, 2021 between Fountainview and the City of Newark, DE regarding the purchase of smart meters. A hard copy of the update has been placed on file with the Secretary, and is available. . A brief summary of Dennis's report includes:

Cost per unit for materials only is \$238.13; total cost of project \$45,720.
Labor costs are still to be determined because they will differ per unit depending on the age of the existing plumbing configurations.

The City said it could install various valves that will allow individual meters to be installed without shutting off water to an entire building. Based on the City's estimated that a certified plumber could do 8 units per day, Dennis estimated that 2-4 plumbers could complete 1-2 floors per day. The report states that each unit's transition from the current method of calculating water usage to depending on the smart meters could be done smoothly.

Further details need to be settled regarding what procedure will be followed to pay for this project.

Dennis responded to questions from the audience, mostly concerning details of installation. In response to questions about billings, Dennis stressed that the smart meters would immediately reward residents who were conservative with water use.

Old Business – Dryer vent cleaning – Patty Hagan reported that the dryer vent project is almost finished and that most residents had been gracious about the inconveniences.

New Business – Budget – Patty Hagan asked for suggestions. The Secretary has recorded none.

New Business – Patty Hagan reported that the contract with 1st Service Residential expires at the end of the year. She invited opinions in the meantime.

New Business – Election – Debra Ingram had been asked to look into the possibility of decreasing the number of Council numbers ... possibly to 7. Based on her findings, Deborah will give Council her recommendation. She reported some specific term limitations and how continuity has to be maintained. Deborah will present her suggestions at next month's General Meeting (October 13th).

New Business – Fountainview Newsletter Editor – Patty reminded us that we are losing our current editors of the newsletter, and she asked for volunteers.

Deborah Ingram made a motion that we adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded and approved. The meeting was adjourned at 7:35pm. The next General Meeting will take place October 13, 2021 at 6:30pm at the Newark Senior Center and ZOOM.

Respectfully submitted,
Esther Boone, Secretary