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| 2 3 | BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING April 10, 2006 | | |
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| 9 10 | Falls Church, Virginia 22042 7:00 P.M. | | |
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| 14 15 | BOARD MEMBERS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT | | |
| 16 | MARY MCFADDEN | PRESIDENT | |
| 17 | JOAQUIN TREMOLS | VICE PRESIDENT | |
| 18 | CARL IDDINGS | SECRETARY | |
| 19 | LINDA BOONE | TREASURER | |
| 20 | KATHIE FRENCH | MEMBER AT LARGE | |
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| 23 | COMMITTEE CHAIRS | | |
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| 25 | JOAQUIN TREMOLS, acting | ACC/GROUNDS | |
| 26 | LINDA WITHAM | POOL/RECREATION | |
| 27 | BRENT THOMPSON | WEBMASTER (Absent) | |
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| 30 | MANAGEMENT COMPANY ATTENDEES | | |
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| 32 | BETH HARRISON | MANAGEMENT AGENT | |
| 33 | DAVE CICCARELLI | MANAGEMENT AGENT (Absent) | |
| 34 | LAURA WILSON | RECORDING SECRETARY | |
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| 36 | NINETEEN HOMEOWNERS IN | N ATTENDANCE | |
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| 39 | I. CALL TO ORDER | | |
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| 41 | Ms McFadden officially called the | meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. She introduced the | |
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A. Deer Population Management: Ms McFadden briefed the homeowners on the situation with the deer population and said the Association has spoken with Suburban White Tail Management. She introduced Mr. Jack Green and Mr. Mike Louden, residents of Merrimac Trail, who were present to answer any questions. Mr. Green reported that the Association would secure permission from the homeowners to hunt on their property. A resident asked how long the population management would continue. A representative of Suburban White Tail Management, Mr. David Dye, was present to address safety concerns and answer other questions regarding the hunting of the deer. He described the process to the homeowners. Discussion ensued between David and the homeowners about the accuracy of their shooters and how long it will take the deer to die. Mr. Iddings directed homeowners to their website at www.swmnv.com and stated that they have much useful information and FAQ's.

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В. Parking: Ms. McFadden reviewed the issue of visitor parking. She reported that there have been numerous calls from residents complaining that residents using the visitor spaces as additional spaces for their third and fourth vehicles were abusing the spaces. She noted that the Board interested in ways to increase the Association's reserve account and stated that if the twenty-one (21) spaces were leased, the Association would receive approximately \$10,000 a year to put into reserves which would benefit the entire community. Terry Sunday asked how the decision to eliminate visitor parking was reached. Ms McFadden stated that the Board has spent the last three meetings discussing the issue. Frank Gut said that homeowners bought houses in that area because of all the extra visitor parking spaces. Discussion ensued between the homeowners and the Board on the subject. Jason Applebaum stated that he had a problem with how the decision was made. He said that the decision was made after he left the meeting, even though he stayed for quite some time, as the meeting went on and on. Ms. McFadden said that this discussion has been going on since January, noting that until now only 2 - 3 people have objected to this approach out of the several hundred people in the community. She further noted that this issue that has been brought to the Board repeatedly, with some people coming to her home to holler at her about the issue. Frank Gut noted that the decision would not affect the entire community and that it only affects Byrds Nest Pass and Butterfield, the two streets with almost all the visitor parking spaces. Mr. Tremols stated that if a motion is passed, it can always be rescinded and noted that the Board has spent many months discussing the issue and have only now suddenly gotten this response. He noted that the Board and homeowners had already spent 20 minutes of this Board meeting on the issue and suggested that the discussion be ended noting that the Board understands how residents on Byrd's Nest Pass feel about the issue. He also stated that there is no neighborhood watch committee, in spite of the increase in crime, because nobody will volunteer. He stated that the Board consists of only five people, and while they love input from the community they need everyone's help. The Board agreed to defer action on visitor parking spaces until the residents of Byrds Nest Pass had an opportunity to come up with an alternative plan that addresses the Board's and the community's concerns.

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C. <u>Fines</u>: Pat Drobnek said she was here to discuss the fines assessed against her for ACC violations, but agreed to stay for Executive Session to discuss these fines.

III. <u>COMMITTEE REPORTS</u>

A. ACC CHAIR:

ACC Chair: Ms. McFadden introduced Heidi Wallace, a representative from Loudoun Management. Because Ms. Wallace has had extensive prior experience being the ACC Chair for her community, LMA has hired her to assume the role as its ACC compliance coordinator. The Board discussed its current process for working with inspections and dealing with violations and the enforcement process. The Board wants to look at the process that LMA uses to determine if that is an improved process they should adopt. LMA will also be looking at maintenance issues in the community.

Ms Wallace explained how LMA has dealt with covenants violations at other properties and recommended that LVCA ACC consider shortening the process timeline. She noted that the normal policy for most communities is to give a thirty (30) day time frame for residents to fix violations. If the violation is not rectified, the homeowner can call and get an extension, within reason. Ms. Wallace then reviewed in detail the process she would like to put into place. Ms. McFadden asked that she put the policy and procedures in writing so the Board and residents can review them.

Resignation: It was reported that Hattie Walden has resigned. Ms McFadden acknowledged the amount of time and effort that Ms. Walden and her committee have put forth for the community and stated that the Board is very thankful for the great job she has done. Ms. McFadden again stated that there are openings for those who are interested in serving on this committee.

Tree Management Plan: Mr. Tremols noted that the Board-approved tree management plan has been put into action. Residents who were in the community today may have noticed that some dead or diseased trees have been, or are in the process of, being removed. Mr. Tremols also noted that on April 24th at 3:30 p.m. at Lafayette Village Drive and Trammel Road, residents would have an opportunity to join an arborist who will walk through the community to assist us in completing a long-term plan to address our aging trees.

Ms McFadden asked if Mr. Tremols had the list of the prioritized trees and asked that it be sent to the Board via email. There was discussion over who exactly should work with Boyers on executing the tree management plan. It was agreed that Ms Harrison should be the point of contact working with Boyers.

134 <u>ACC Guidelines</u>: The ACC guidelines have almost been completed. Residents should look for new guidelines soon.

B. POOL/RECREATION/SOCIAL COMMITTEE:

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139 Pool Passes: Ms. Witham reported that last year she volunteered to make the pool pass 140 certifications and that this year she can make them for .25 cents each. She will work with Ms. Harrison on this. Ms McFadden requested that in the interest of time, Ms. Witham 142 could send the Board an email regarding information on having stickers printed. Ms 143 McFadden said that she has seen the new pool furniture and it is gorgeous and thanked 144 Ms. Witham for all her hard work on getting that done for the community.

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C. **YARD SALE:**

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Mr. Iddings said that Mr. Tremols has volunteered to assist with the yard sale. The date for the community-wide yard sale is Saturday, May 6, 2006. He stated that if residents would like to participate in the yard sale they please send him an email to indicate their interest in participating in the yard sale. Ms McFadden said that all contact numbers are listed on the front page of the newsletter.

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D. **NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH:**

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Ms. McFadden noted that this Committee has been dormant for some time since no one has volunteered to chair the Committee. A homeowner asked what was entailed in leading this committee. Ms McFadden reviewed some of the responsibilities including the need for volunteers, one for every night of the month, and interacting with a police contact who is the neighborhood watch coordinator for Fairfax County. The homeowner said she would think about it and get back to the Board.

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Ε. **COMMUNICATIONS/MEDIA COMMITTEE:**

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Ms McFadden said that Ms. French is doing a excellent job with the newsletter, noting that newsletters are getting out before the meetings and you can see the increase in attendance due to that. She noted that the next meeting will be May 8th. Ms. French stated that she is still trying to get someone to look at the design of the website; noting that the Board has been playing telephone tag with him for 2 months. Ms. French also announced that May 15th is the deadline to get articles in for the June 1st newsletter.

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Mr. Iddings said he noticed that the February and March minutes were not posted on the website. Mr. Tremols said he should follow up with the Webmaster.

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F. **TRAFFIC COMMITTEE:**

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- The Committee put an article in the newsletter on the traffic calming study. The trafficcalming program is a petition process; which requires the signatures of 60% of the people Fairfax County would identify as being directly affected. Roughly 82 people in the community would be petitioned. Trailers would be prohibited from parking on Lafayette Village Drive; commercial vehicles would also be prohibited. A homeowner stated that those vehicles would then be forced to park on Trammel, where there has been so much trouble with vandalism. The homeowners questioned Mr. Iddings on how good of an
- Minute-By-Minute

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- idea the neighborhood parking district is. Mr. Iddings stated that the district is a good
- first step in establishing community control over Lafayette Village Drive, but that
- additional steps need to occur. Ms McFadden stated that this is somewhat like the
- parking situation. People have come to the Board complaining that the commercial
- vehicles are taking away from the value of the homes. Ms McFadden noted that there are
- several opinions regarding what action to take. The homeowner stated that it would just
- 190 transfer the problem to a different street in the community. Discussion ensued on this
- subject between homeowners and the Board.

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G. SECRETARY'S REPORT:

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Mr. Iddings said that the March minutes were not provided in the Board Members packets by LMA so they could not approve the minutes tonight.

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H. TREASURER'S REPORT:

market funds. That information was not available

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Ms. Boone said that the Association is doing well with what has been planned for in the budget; however, there are going to be some overages for grounds and the pool, which will be offset somewhat by savings in the budget for snow removal. Ms. Boone reviewed the numbers in the current budget. She noted that second quarter assessments are due this Saturday, April 15th and noted that the Association does need those assessments. Mr. Iddings asked if LMA has responded to Ms. Boone regarding interest rates on money

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MOTION: Secretary Iddings moved, Ms. French seconded, to have the Treasurer move the money market account to something that has a higher return than 0.5%. The motion passed unanimously (5-0-0).

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IV. <u>OLD BUSINESS</u>

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A. VISITOR'S PARKING:

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There was one response to the visitor parking lease program, which was mailed out in the newsletter. The Board decided to put the program on hold because homeowners showed up tonight with concerns. Residents on Byrd's Nest Pass are going to develop an alternative plan that addresses the Board's and the community's concerns.

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B. ENGINEERING STUDIES/EROSION PROPOSAL:

- Ms. Harrison met with the engineering group and they said the community has a
- 224 civil/geotechnical problem. She said that the engineer felt to do a study of the
- community for the purposes of erosion the analysis itself would cost \$10,000.00 and to
- 226 fix the problem it would be an additional \$30,000.00. Ms. Harrison said she spoke with
- Ms. McFadden who suggested it be discussed at the Board meeting. Ms. Harrison stated
- that Management also had a proposal with Earthworks but that it didn't have any contract
- language; she asked to get a formal proposal including a statement of work but has not

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- yet received anything from them. Ms. Boone stated the Association needs to get other
- companies to bid on the job so the Board has a better idea of what other companies could
- offer and what they would charge. She stated that the Board must also remember that
- Earthworks was only looking at four areas and noted that there are more than four
- problem areas. Ms Harrison told the engineer how much trouble she was having getting
- 235 quotes from other companies and was told that many companies are not willing to risk
- their reputation on a small job without a plan. If you have a company that is willing to do
- the work without a plan and their referrals are good, perhaps LVCA should use those
- companies. Mr. Tremols noted that further quotes would mean further delay. Ms.
- Harrison is going to pull a SOW and contract together by next Wednesday to send to the

240 Board for approval.

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C. DEER MANAGEMENT:

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Ms. McFadden stated that she believes the Board is ready to move ahead on the deer management.

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- 247 MOTION: Secretary Iddings moved that that Board of Directors authorize the
- 248 President to sign the Suburban Whitetail Management property owner agreement,
- 249 provided that all affected residents of Merrimac Trail bordering the woods have
- 250 had the opportunity to signed the property owner agreement, that SWMNVA agree
- 251 to notify Lafayette Village residents via the LVCA web-site when hunting will occur,
- 252 that no hunting will occur on weekends, and that all deer killed will be removed
- 253 from the community before being cleaned. Seconded by Vice-President Tremols,
- 254 and passed 5-0-0.

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D. SAFETY AND SECURITY – FEASIBILITY STUDY:

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- Ms. French said that she has been attempting to contact Officer Brendan Murphy, our
- police liaison. Ms. McFadden stated that considering the criminal activity that has taken
- place recently the Board might want to consider hiring a security company to patrol the
- area on the weekends or weeknights. Ms Boone suggested putting a request in writing to
- the police to increase patrols due to the increase in criminal activity in the community.
- Ms. McFadden asked Ms. Harrison to draft a letter to the police. Ms. Harrison asked
- Board members to email with suggestions of what they would like to see done. Mr.
- Tremols suggested that Ms. Harrison go by the newsletters articles and use the articles for
- the body of the letter. Ms. French is going to email Ms. Harrison the articles.

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V. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

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A. POOL FENCE PROPOSAL:

- There was a discussion regarding the pool fence proposal. The Board and LMA
- discussed the wording of the proposals. The proposals do not accurately list the
- 274 measurements of the fence. Ms. Witham read her measurements of the fence to the

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| 275 | Board. Ms. McFadden directed Ms. Harrison to get this finished by tomorrow so the | |
| 276 | Board can vote on it via email ensuring that the pool will open on time this year. | |
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| 280 | The Board and LMA reviewed the proposals. Ms. Witham stated that Fairfax County | |
| 281 | would not approve the pool opening without the shower stalls being painted. Ms. | |
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| 284 | MOTION: Vice-President Tremols moved to accept the proposal from Mario's | |
| 285 | painting to paint the pool house shower stalls, exterior vents, and to replace and | |
| 286 | paint two screen doors for a total cost of \$1120.00. Seconded by Secretary Iddings | |
| 287 | and passed 5-0-0. | |
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| 289 | VI. MANAGEMENT REPORT | |
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| 291 | The Board reviewed the management action report. Ms. Boone wanted to get on the | |
| 292 | action item list three signs for quarterly assessments due and to post those when quarterly | |
| 293 | assessments are due as another reminder to residents. Ms. Boone and Ms. Harrison will | |
| 294 | look at different sign options and report back at the next meeting. | |
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| 296 | VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION | |
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| 301 | VIII. ADJOURNMENT | |
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There being no further business, the Board agreed by consensus to adjourn the April 10, 2006 Board of Directors meeting at $10:00~\rm p.m.$

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