

GREENBRIER SPRING BUSINESS MEETING

APRIL 18, 2016

The spring meeting, held at the home of Sarah and Carl Lee, 1805 Bahama Road, opened at 6.30pm with wine and snacks served to about 30 neighbors at 6.30pm. The main meeting began around 7pm with a welcome by Pres. Mariana Marye and a shout out to all board members present.

The **Minutes** of the October 20th, 2015 Business meeting were available for review and comment and were approved as received.

Speakers:

Our first speaker for the evening was Beth Overman, Director of the Purchase of Development Rights (PDR) program for Fayette County. ([Link to Bio](#)). Beth presented a short video explaining the importance of the agricultural economy to our region as well as why land conservation is a vital part of our county's health and prosperity. She also took questions and answers from the audience.

Our next speaker was Bruce Fergusson, professional engineer, and President of Air Source Technology, Inc., an environmental, health, and safety consulting firm, based in Lexington. ([Link to Bio](#)). Bruce spoke about Radon – what it is, why it is so hazardous to one's health, and how it can be found and mitigated. Board member and realtor Ben Allen remarked that many real estate transactions are contingent on Radon findings. Bruce added that because of the nature of this gas, one house in a neighborhood may be “hot” with findings over 4, while the house next door may not have any trace at all. Because of this region's karst

geology, formed by limestone with springs and underground fissures and caves, Radon is prevalent throughout the county. Bruce suggested neighbors go to the Health Dpt. for a free Radon measuring/ sensor device.

Cyndy Powell presented the **Treasurer's Report**. Highlights included the balance, \$21,902.84, with 161 homeowners out of 241, or 67% paying the voluntary dues of \$100. Board member John Schmidt, who will be taking over the Treasurer's job this year, remarked that a 3rd Dues notice will be going out to the 80 homeowners or so who have not paid. He will list the dues or fees other neighborhoods charge so these neighbors can see what a bargain our dues are, and how we spend them. Cyndy reported that our biggest upcoming expense will be landscaping the front entry as well as new lighting. She answered several questions from the audience and cleared up a misunderstanding about how much the Board gives in prizes to Christmas light decorating winners. A \$50 gift certificate is given only to GRI members; if all winners in the 3 categories (Best Overall; Most Whimsical; Best Entrance) are members, the total would only be \$150 – not \$1,500, as some neighbors had believed. The Treasurer's Report was approved by all present.

New Business:

Pres. Mariana remarked (1) that all complaints which come to the Board in writing are considered carefully, no matter how seemingly trivial. Board members do their best to respond, or direct that neighbor to the appropriate source. She said (2) the main complaints now are speeding and cut-thru traffic, specifically construction vehicles turning the wrong way onto Greenbrier's Cayman Lane, instead of out Cayman to new construction across WGL. Council Member Hensley has been apprised of this issue and has spoken to Jimmy Nash, who promised to tell his vendors to quit this. Cayman Lane neighbors will keep us updated. Next, (3) she reported that Marcia Stanhope is collecting signatures from neighbors on WGL to present to City Traffic Engineers to do something to curb speeding in front of those homes. So far, Marcia said she has

heard about speeders who hit a pedestrian, damaged property, injured pets, went through fencing, and damaged cars. Marcia plans to send this info to the city shortly. Also, (4) Mariana reported that Board Member Stephanie Denton is devising a survey to gain some insight into the wants of the neighborhood. She plans to send this survey out via e-mail in the near future. (5) A neighbor has complained about the state of sidewalks in front of some properties – the Pres. can address this in a future newsletter. (6) A shout-out was given to Mrs. Alice Honchell, who hosted the Ladies Tea earlier this month at her lovely home on Cayman. (7) An announcement was made about the GB garage sale April 30th; and Susi Hopkins reported on the GB Book Club, which is open to all, including guys. (8) Finally, Mariana reported spotting an eagle on Fairway #15 (now called #6). The meeting was adjourned around 8.15pm

Sincerely submitted,

Mariana Moore Marye, Pres.