BRANDERMILL COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
BRANDERMILL WOODS
Monday, 7:00 PM, May 3, 2010

AGENDA

1. **CALL REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING TO ORDER – 7:00 PM**

2. **MEMBER VOICE** — **15 MINUTES**

3. **MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES – April 5, 2010** — **2 MINUTES**

4. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT** — **15 MINUTES**
   - A. **Director Reports**
   - B. **Comp Steering Plan** – Keith McGinniss

5. **MANAGER'S REPORT** — **5 MINUTES**
   Department Reports:
   - A. **Community Services**
   - B. **Village Mill**

6. **COMMITTEE REPORTS** — **25 MINUTES**
   - A. **Community Character**
   - B. **Crime Prevention**
   - C. **Hydrilla Update** – Task Force
   - D. **Natural Resources**
   - E. **NRC**

7. **MOTION TO AMEND COMMUNITY CHARACTER CHARTER** – Bob Friedel — **10 MINUTES**
   - A. **Member Comment**

8. **PROPOSED DESIGN STANDARD CHANGE** – Jason Livingston — **10 MINUTES**

9. **EXECUTIVE SESSION** – Discuss Contract and Legal Issues

10. **RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

11. **ANNOUNCEMENTS** — **1 MINUTE**
    - Neighborhood Yard Sales, May 1, 8, 15, 2010
    - Teddy Bear Picnic, Friday, May 7, 2010, Sunday Park
    - Crime Prevention Festival, Saturday, May 8, 2010, Market Square
    - Guided Kayak Tour, Saturday, May 29, 2010, Swift Creek Reservoir
    - BCA Board Meeting, Monday, June 7, 2010, Brandermill Woods

12. **ADJOURNMENT**

BRANDERMILL COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

April 5, 2010

1. **CALL REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING TO ORDER** – The April 5, 2010 BCA Board of Directors meeting was called to order by President Rowe at 7 PM in the meeting room of Brandermill Woods, 14311 Brandermill Woods Trail, Midlothian, VA 23112. Directors Friedel, Guthrie, Livingston, and McGinniss, Community Manager Pritz and Recorder Judy Agee were present. Director McLenagan was absent.

2. **MEMBER VOICE** -
- Jimmy Angel of Regatta Pointe suggested that the board consider improving the entrance at Old Hundred Road and Millridge Parkway to have a better impact when entering the community.
- Frances Hillman of Huntgate Woods suggested improving the entrance at Brandermill Parkway near Brandermill Woods.

3. **EXECUTIVE SESSION** - Rule Violation
MOTION: Director McGinniss moved to enter into executive session to discuss a rule violation.
MOTION SECONDED: Director Friedel
MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously

4. **RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**
The board returned to open session.

MOTION: Director Livingston moved to approve the waiver with minimum modifications and to work with the staff and ARB to develop language to allow the committee some flexibility.
MOTION SECONDED: Director Guthrie
MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously

5. **MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES** – March 1, 2010
MOTION: Director Guthrie moved to approve the minutes of the March 1, 2010 meeting.
MOTION SECONDED: Director Friedel
MOTION CARRIED: President Rowe, Directors Friedel and Guthrie approved. Director Livingston opposed. Director McGinniss abstained.

6. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT** – President Rowe highlighted her written report. Community Manager Pritz will respond to a resident's letter regarding dogs continuing to run loose in the Sunday Park area, which has been patrolled by Chesterfield County Animal Control for several months. President Rowe announced the board received Keith McGinniss' resignation as chair of the Reservoir Management Group for personal reasons and approved Bob Malek's appointment as chair, and Susan Smith will serve as secretary. The board agreed that a written committee report should be included in the board packet or the chair/designated committee member should present the report at the board meeting. Board members should not be reporting for committees. President Rowe suggested holding an Employee Appreciation Day to recognize BCA staff.

A. Director Reports - There was no report.
B. Master Plan Report – John McLenagan – There was no report.
C. Comp Steering Plan – Keith McGinniss – Director McGinniss reported that Chesterfield County Board of Supervisors, the Planning Commission, and the School Board received the approved vision statement of the Comp Steering Plan. He noted that the group is starting to finalize the land use and transportation sections of the plan and that the reports are available on the Chesterfield County website: www.chesterfield.gov.

7. **MANAGER'S REPORT** – Community Manager Pritz reviewed her written report and stated reports were included from Community Services and The Village Mill. She stated we have found a Brandermill business owner who will be running the concessions this year. Director Guthrie recognized the BCA Maintenance Department for the installation of the brick median at Millridge and Brandermill Parkways. He also wanted to note the board's recognition of Forrest and Betty Hunter Clapp who have helped protect the environmental well being of this community and to wish them well with their move.

8. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**
A. Crime Prevention - There was no report.
B. Finance - Buddy Whitfield, chair of the Finance Committee, reported the committee met with the auditor on March 29th, who noted that regular contributions are made to the reserve fund, there is no debt, the tax returns were completed, and that he considers the BCA one of the best financially managed communities. Mr. Whitfield reported two subcommittees were formed to assist with the functional budget and the upcoming reserve study. The committee will review the 2010 first quarter financial statement at their April 26th meeting.
C. Hydrilla Update - Task Force - Susan Smith reviewed the minutes of the Reservoir Management Group's March 9th meeting which included an update from Roy Covington, Chesterfield County Director of Utilities, regarding the county's plans to address the hydrilla problem. She noted that an article regarding the introduction of carp into the reservoir will be in the next edition of The Village Mill.
D. MPOC - There was no report.
E. NRC – Chair Mamie McNeal reported that an audio recording of the NRC's Meet the Candidates meeting on March 9th is on the NRC website: www.brandermillnrc.com to allow each candidate's response to be heard. Several NRC representatives have recently organized meetings for their neighborhoods to address covenant issues as presented by the Community Character Committee, who will give their report at the next board meeting.

9. **MOTION TO APPROVE FACILITIES COMMITTEE CHARTER** - Bob Friedel -
Member Voice – There were no speakers.
MOTION: Director Friedel moved to approve the Facilities Committee Charter, as amended. It was noted the Pool Committee has reviewed this charter and has no further comments.
MOTION SECONDED: Director Guthrie
MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously

10. **MOTION TO APPROVE COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT GRANT APP**
MOTION: Director McGinniss moved to approve the Community Improvement Grant Application in the amount of $170 to beautify McTyre's Cove neighborhood and to eliminate the last paragraph of the request.
MOTION SECONDED: Director Friedel
MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously

11. **EXECUTIVE SESSION** - Discuss Contract
MOTION: Director Guthrie moved to enter into executive session to discuss a contract.
MOTION SECONDED: Director McGinniss
MOTION CARRIED: Unanimously

12. **RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**
The board returned to open session.

The board agreed that President Rowe, Susan Smith, Environmental Committee Chair and Community Manager Pritz will serve as a committee to interview several landscape designers and come back to the board with a recommendation.

13. **ADJOURNMENT** –
MOTION: President Rowe adjourned the meeting at 8:55 PM.

Submitted by:

Jane Pritz, CMCA®, AMS®
Community Manager/Secretary
Brandermill Community Assoc., Inc.

Joyce Rowe, President
Board of Directors
Brandermill Community Assoc., Inc.

Brandermill Community Association, Inc.

Date: April 30, 2010

To: BCA Board of Directors

From: Jane Pritz, Community Manager

Re: Manager's Report – May 3, 2010 Board Meeting

The North Beach pool concrete work is completed. Maintenance will spend time over the next couple of weeks getting the pool ready for opening day. Currently, we have 203 pool memberships which is 41 memberships less than this time last year. There are 35 non-resident memberships which is the same as this time last year.

I attended the finance committee on Monday, April 26, 2010 and we discussed the first quarter financials and the functional budget process.

I followed up on a resident concern at the annual meeting regarding the sewer smell near the 15th green with George Duval at the Water Treatment Plant. He contacted the sewer collections group and on the afternoon of April 20th they went to the pump station and inspected their equipment but found everything functioning normally. They did increase the odor suppressant feed and Mr. Duval asked me to let him know if I get any other comments on the odor.

Mamie McNeal, NRC Chair would like the board to approve When-Dee Morrison as the first vice chair for the NRC.

The Chesterfield County Sustain Our Communities committee that I am serving on as the vice-chair made a preliminary presentation to several Board of Supervisors for their initial comments last week. We will making our presentation to the entire Board in June at a public meeting. Our committee is working with the county to provide information to residents who need help maintaining their properties whether they live in a community without an organized homeowner association, they are elderly, have low incomes or are currently unemployed. The committee recognizes there are properties in all areas of the county that are slowly deteriorating and the focus needs to be on revitalization.

As a reminder there is a breakfast meeting with Chesterfield County officials scheduled for Wednesday, May 19, 7:30AM at Brandermill Woods. Art Warren, Rick Witt, Roy Covington, Russ Gulley, Tom Jacobson, Kirk Turner and John McCracken have been invited from the county.

MAINTENANCE

- The majority of our crew started mowing in the middle of the month and will continue on a weekly and biweekly schedule which will occupy most of the crew's time during the early spring months.

- Maintenance continues to get a lot of calls to pick up brush due to the article in The Village Mill several months ago and they work those pick ups into their schedule as time allows.
- There have been many calls regarding dead trees. Our maintenance crew cuts the trees they can handle and if we have to hire a tree service we do the clean up work to save money.
- With the beginning of spring, more and more residents are using the bike trails and parks so the number of maintenance calls increases and we respond as time allows.
- The Harbour Pointe Clubhouse has been painted and the kitchen cabinets have been refinished. We used the services of the interior designer at Benjamin Moore so we have updated paint colors for both the walls and cabinets. New shelving has been added to give it a clean appearance and keep things out of sight.
- Waterside Park, Sagewood Park, The Landing and the marina have all been powerwashed.

BRANDERMILL
Community Association

Date: April 29, 2010
To: BCA Board of Directors
From: Jennifer Strader
Subject: Community Services

The Activities Committee met April 20, 2010 .

April 17th: 80 Brandermill residents were part of the opening weekend game at the Diamond, the new home of the Richmond Flying Squirrels. I was able to purchase advanced tickets for the reduced rate of $7. It was an exciting but chilly evening and the Squirrels were the champions.

April 22nd : Introduction to Camping with Kids…cancelled due to lack of interest.

April 24th: The BCA 2nd Annual Neighborhood Plant Exchange was another success!!! Residents were encouraged to bring plants to swap and what a lively swap it was. We had about 40 residents come during the times of 10:00-12:00 to the Sunday Park overflow lot. The County Extension Services graciously sent one of their Master Gardeners to help answer questions and identify plants. Residents seemed grateful to have the opportunity to try new plants and not have to spend money. Grant Miller of Miller Landscaping came and brought a truck load of annuals left over from when he plants the Brandermill beds. He was very kind to give these away for free!

April 29th: The Green Market is back! Our very own fresh food market returns every 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month thru October at the Sunday Park overflow lot. All of last years' vendors are returning with a few new ones.

Department Stats:
- The Pavilion was rented 10 times in April.
- The Harbour Pointe Clubhouse was rented 3 times for private parties.
- AARP stopped its tax preparation service on April 15th. They reported that 472 returns were prepared this year and 30% of those returns were from Brandermill residents.
- Training for new Branderbelle captains began in late April and a new motor is soon to be installed for the 'Belle. Ernie Burnett and his team of captains are ready to begin cruises on May 1st. I am working to coordinate some "bird-watching" cruises for early morning hours…times when the Branderbelle is usually not in use.
- Heritage Farms is rented to capacity.
- New reusable shopping bags with the Brandermill logo were ordered. They will be sold at our Green Market days and other events. They will also be given to our new residents filled with Brandermill information.

Upcoming Events for May:
May 1st – Harbour Pointe Neighborhood Yard Sale
May 7th – A Teddy Bear Picnic in Sunday Park!
May 8th – South of Genito Neighborhood Yard Sale
May 13th – Green Market 3-6 p.m.
May 15th – North of Genito Neighborhood Yard Sale
May 27th – Green Market 3-6 p.m.
May 29th – Guided Kayaking Tour of the Reservoir with Dick Guthrie.
Meet at Commodore Pointe, 8 a.m. .

There were 8 new residents in Brandermill during the month of March.

Harbour Pointe Clubhouse Update: Charlie Metzger and myself worked very hard for 7 days at the HP/CH giving her a facelift. Jane Pritz and I had a decorator come and give color and decorating suggestions for the space. A "tuscan" color palette was chosen and a gorgeous 2-panel painting was purchased to coordinate and enhance the colors. Charlie spent many hours on a ladder and I on the floor refinishing and painting the cabinets. I think the results are beautiful and we still have more things to add in 2011. I hope you have the opportunity to visit soon.

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APRIL 2010 UPDATE

To: Jane
From: Wendy
Re: The Village Mill

The Village Mill
Published April issue of The Village Mill

Meetings & Events Attended
April 5 - BCA Board Meeting - Wendy
April 14 - Sen. Watkins Recognition of David Smith - Brandermill Woods - Wendy
April 17 - Brandermill Night at the Diamond - Voice of the People - Jennifer
April 19 - Annual Meeting - Wendy
April 23 - Community Partnership for Research Meeting - Wendy
April 26 - Carp Release in Swift Creek Reservoir - Wendy
April 28 - J.Sargent Reynolds Students Cleanup in Sunday Park - Wendy

Web
Web Update - Tina, Jerrell, Wendy
Blast Email - Jerrell, Wendy

Special Projects
Annual Meeting Program - Wendy
May Activities Flyer - Dave & Wendy
Pool Newsletter - Wendy
Crime Prevention Website - Jerrell & Wendy

Minutes
March 16, 2010

The meeting was called to order.

Present: Jeanne White, Glen Hinton, Judy Malek, Rubie Gatlin, Dave Wilson, Jerry Barnes, Joe Covolo, Betsy Bolling, Dianne Cardea

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

Neighborhood Meeting: Long Shadow – Those attending from the task force were Dianne Cardea, Dave Wilson, Dick & Julane Johndrow (residents) and Rubie Gatlin (resident). While Long Shadow is a beautiful community, it does have some areas with bad problems. There are problems with both rental and resident-owned properties. Offers were made by those present to help with contacting neighbors. We will definitely want to follow-up on this community and be their agents to help them accomplish their goals.

Virginia Center for Urban Development: Dave reported that we have received a draft that resulted from Dave and Dianne's meeting with the Virginia Center for Urban Development at VCU back in December. Dave handed copies to the members, and we will discuss the information during our next meeting with Tom Jacobson, Director of Revitalization with Chesterfield County.

Covenant violations: A discussion ensued about numbers and categories of covenant violations that have been discussed in our neighborhood meetings. He felt it would be helpful, at this point, to categorize the findings as to what the residents feel are most important. Dave will organize a spread sheet with the data taken from the information listed on the sheets from each meeting.

Time for correcting covenant violations: The question was asked if we have documentation stating the length of time a resident is given to correct any violation. Dianne will gather this information and present at the next meeting.

A discussion ensued with regard to how we can better reach residents.

Glenn suggested we use positive reinforcement in letters to residents; setting up contests for most improved home or neighborhood. We will investigate how we can organize this in the near future.

House Paint: The subject of how house paints were approved was discussed. At present, the ARB has one person who inspects a paint color request and compares it with a small chip. In a discussion, Dianne had with Doug Greene, Architect with the ARB, the request was made that the requested paint color be submitted on a piece of house siding or like material. Additionally, it was stated that the owner should be responsible for notification of neighbors on either side of his home and across the street. He would be requested to have the neighbors sign off on the color, but this would only be a notification process. Doug and Jane Pritz discussed this method for approval and added that the members of the ARB should approve the paint color; thus giving 3-4 sets of eyes rather than the one set of eyes that makes the decision at present.

Dianne reported on her meeting with President Rowe regarding the timetable for the task force report. A report will be due in June to include our work plan as well as our suggestion on the enforcement process.

We discussed the statements made by Director Guthrie during Meet the Candidates Night. President Rowe will see that I attend a breakfast meeting with county code enforcement officials to discuss some of the most serious cases.
The other 2 items will be discussed with Jane Pritz.

New Business:
Dianne announced that during the March 1, 2010 meeting, the Board of Directors approved the Community Character Committee Charter with some minor changes. The Board moved the BCA Covenant Task Force into the Community Character Committee and named Dianne Cardea as Chairman.
Mission Statement: Because of an error in typing on the agenda, the charter's goals were listed as the mission. A discussion ensued regarding the mission, and Dianne said she would check on the wording of the statement and report at the next meeting.

Dianne stated that we should familiarize ourselves with the Standards as she felt these are the guidelines for the Standards Dept enforcement process. A

discussion ensued. Dianne will clarify the above statement with Doug Greene and report at the next meeting.

Dianne reported that she will meet with Jane Pritz within the next week regarding the charter of the CCC and send a report to the members.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 20 in the Ivy Room at Brandermill Woods, 7p.m.

Respectfully submitted by: Dianne Cardea & Joe Covolo

for teen held in ax attack

Lee-Davis student faces up to life term at trial set for June 30

BY BILL McKELWAY
Times-Dispatch Staff Writer

A Hanover County judge winced and turned his head yesterday while viewing a videotape of an attack by an ax-wielding Lee-Davis High School student that tore away the cheek of a classmate.

Circuit Judge J. Overton Harris, citing what the surveillance tape shows, turned aside arguments that Omar K. Abdelaal should be set free on bond pending a June 30 trial.

Overton will hear the case against Abdelaal, a meek-looking 16-year-old who will be tried as an adult and faces up to life in prison, on a charge of aggravated malicious wounding.

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The surveillance tape, made inside the Tractor Supply Co. in Mechanicsville on Oct. 23, shows Abdelaal turning away from a group of young people and returning moments later with an ax; a single chopping motion by the youth peeled away the left cheek of a fellow student, 15. The wound took 150 stitches to close.

Abdelaal placed the ax on the floor and waited outside for police, according to testimony in the case.

Defense lawyer Craig Cooley told Overton that testimony will show Abdelaal had been provoked and bullied before the attack. He said the student has no history of run-ins with the law and presents no danger to the community or a flight risk.

More than a dozen people who live near the youth, as well as his family, stood inside the courtroom to show support. Cooley said Abdelaal and his friends had twice walked away from confrontations with other students in the minutes preceding the attack, only to be followed by the victim and his friends.

"He has never done anything other than what we asked of him," his father, Khaled Abdelaal, said after court. "He is a good boy."

But Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Linda Scott told the court that Omar Abdelaal told police that he had not been provoked before the attack. And she pointed out that Abdelaal had to walk about 30 feet to get the ax from a display stand and then remove a protective strip from the blade.

During a preliminary hearing in December, the victim testified, "I barely know him," referring to Abdelaal. The victim said others had taunted Abdelaal and accused him of being a cutter, someone who inflicts cuts on himself.

Abdelaal has been in custody since the attack and is being held in a youth-detention facility in the Newport News area.

COURTNEY BATTISTA/CHESTERFIELD COUNTY

Chesterfield County utilities workers released carp into Swift Creek Reservoir yesterday at a cost of $40,380. The fish will eat hydrilla, a weed infesting almost half the reservoir.

10,500 carp dumped into Chesterfield reservoir

BY WESLEY P. HESTER
Times-Dispatch Staff Writer

The carp have been released. Yesterday morning, 10,500 foot-long, sterile grass carp were deposited into Chesterfield County's Swift Creek Reservoir at a cost of $40,380 to the county's Utilities Department.

Their objective? To eat hydrilla. Lots of it.

Hydrilla, an aquatic nuisance weed indigenous to Asia, has infested nearly 750 acres of the 1,700-acre reservoir in recent months, making access difficult and threatening water quality for one of the county's drinking sources.

Carp, which love to feed on the weed, are being used as a long-term solution to the problem, which local officials believe could soon cover half the body of water.

"The actual impact of the carp won't be realized until about two years from now," said Utilities Director Roy Covington, who called the fish "a key biological response mechanism."

The fish, which live 10 to 15 years, eventually grow to 40 pounds or more on the hydrilla diet plan.

"That's a lot of eating," said Covington, who urges fisherman to release the weed-eaters if they happen to hook one.

"I'm very pleased," Covington said of the carp release. The fish "were vibrant and jumping around and looked healthy as can be. We're hopeful that they'll do what we intend, and we can see a real difference here in a couple years."

The county has requested $2.9 million in federal funding from the Army Corps of Engineers' Aquatic Plant Control program to help address the issue.

A reservoir management group also has been established and is considering short-term solutions such as site-specific hydrilla harvesting near marinas and boat-access areas.

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School Boar picks vendor to improve achievement

BY JEREMY SLAYTON
Times-Dispatch Staff Writer

PETERSBURG — The Pet burg School Board last n voted to select Cambridge Ed tion to lead an independe managed program aimed boosting student achievemer the city's middle and junior l schools.

The seven-member b unanimously approved C bridge as the outside vendor.

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Virginia Departn of Education r dated that Pe burg select a ver by Saturday.

A 12-mer search committee that incl Petersburg schools Superir dent James M. Victory re mended Cambridge over t other state-approved compan

"This particular entity is ing in to work with us. The ready recognize that we're d some very good things," Vic said. "They're not coming i table all that we've done anc it must be done this way. was one of the selling point us. We thought it was critica them to recognize that we'r ready doing some good work

Cambridge, based in United Kingdom, has wo with more than 2,500 schoc 22 states, including schoo New York City and Charl Mecklenburg County, N.C. company's per-student fees r from $299 to $795, dependir the number of students; it not charge a startup fee.

The program will start in tember, but what it will enta mains uncertain.

Petersburg school official now meet with Cambridge cials to determine the deta the program that will serve dents in grades six through at Peabody Middle School Vernon Johns Junior School.

One thing is certain: Th dents who participate in the gram will choose to do so.

"With any child that goes this program, we have to 'You can go if you want tc you don't have to go becau have other services availat you,'" said Dorothea Sha the chief academic office signed to Petersburg by th ginia Education Department

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Hopewell man charged in shooting death

PETERSBURG — Police have arrested a Hopewell man in yesterday's slaying of a Petersburg resident found dead inside his home.

Nasir K. Goode, 24, of the 2000 block of Warren Avenue in Hopewell, was charged with first-degree murder and felonious use of a firearm in the fatal shooting death of George W. Vaughan, 58, said Pe-

Goode

Vaughan was found by officers who responded to a 2 a.m. call from the victim's brother that Vaughan had been shot inside his residence in the 600 block of Wise Avenue, Hyatt said.

He was pronounced dead at the to the chest, according to the medical examiner's office.

Hyatt said a clear motive h been determined for the killin

Vaughan lived at the resi with his mother and possibl eral other siblings, Hyatt said.

Anyone with information the slaying can call Peter Dinwiddie Crime Solvers at

BCA Natural Resources Committee Minutes

April 21, 2010

Attending: Susan Smith, Theresa Biagioli, Chuck Rayfield, Tom Pakurar, Ed Applequist, Katy Nastanovich, and Mary Jane Zander (Betty Hunter Clapp has moved out of Brandermill and has resigned from the committee)

1. Minutes from February 17, 2010 were approved
2. Susan Smith shared her end of the year report that was submitted for the May board packet. A copy of the report will be filed with the minutes.
3. Articles submitted to the Village Mill by Susan Smith were presented. 'Sterile Grass Carp- Coming to a lake near you' appeared in the April 12, 2010 issue. A pending article, 'Pick-A-Day & Fight The Bite', gives every homeowner solutions to fight the breeding of mosquitoes in their own yards. A copy of this article was handed out.
4. Green Market on April 29th- The idea of promoting the Grass Roots program, through the Chesterfield County Co-operative Extension, is not viable as it has filled up all the slots for 2010. Another focus is needed for this event. Theresa has tree whips from Chesterfield County that can be given to residents. Plant fact sheets for each type of tree as well as planting instructions will be available to be given with the trees. Susan, Katy and Theresa will man the table. Theresa will also ask the County for more cards that were recently sent to all riparian landowners to reinforce the need to be good stewards of the lake.
5. Future direction of the committee- Suggestions that were made for future considerations;
   *rain barrels
   *education centers of wildlife and plants
   *theme gardens such as butterfly, children, and sustainable site gardens
   *sites suggested for consideration so far are The Landing at Commodore Point, Nuttree Park, the medium between SCMS and Quail Hill, and all three pools. As members of the committee think of other sites they are to send them to Theresa to compile for the next meeting.
   *Bat boxes.

6. Theresa gave a report on her meeting with Scott Flanigan. The current status of the applications was reviewed- 2 completed the process and one remains pending. The two violations in Brandermill were also reviewed. During this meeting Mr. Flanigan mentioned that Lorne Field has leftover riparian plant material from 2 large projects that were completed. Would BCA be interested in utilizing them? Those Plants were accepted and a portion of them were installed with tree tubes and all the corresponding equipment at The Cove Ridge pavilion area. The grant through VA DOF is no longer being pursued as the free trees and shrubs from Chesterfield County filled the need with no paper work or justification of volunteer hours. Theresa will also plant some of the whips in the BCA open space in Sterlings Bridge where a violation has occurred and needs reforesting. The remaining whips will be available Green Market for the BCA residents.

7. Next meetings- May 19th at BCA office all site locations should be in by this meeting. June 16th the meeting will be site visits for future projects. Meeting was adjourned.

Proposed Logo for NRC

Submitted for BCA Board Review 4/29/2010

BCA ORGANIZATION & COMMITTEE CHARTER

REVISION DRAFT: version 04/30/10

TITLE: COMMUNITY CHARACTER COMMITTEE (CCC)

COMMITTEE TYPE: STANDING COMMITTEE

MISSION:

To improve the community lives and property values of the residential and commercial members of the Brandermill Community Association by enhancing the character and the culture of the Community, and by making it more aesthetically appealing and functionally convenient. This will be achieved, in part, by enhancing the monitoring and enforcement of the Covenants of the Association, by improving Covenant enforcement actions, and by making recommendations in these areas to the Board of Directors and other Committees of the Association.

GOALS:

1. Enhance and implement procedures to improve the efficiency of monitoring the compliance of members of Brandermill with the Covenants of the Association, with special emphasis on those items identified in the Master Plan, such as:
    a. improve the turnaround time of covenant enforcement procedures;
    b. consult with staff regularly to review ~~problem~~ neighborhoods and properties that present major and continuing problems regarding covenant violations ~~regularly~~;
    c. evaluate the number of staff devoted to this effort, and the efficiency of the procedures utilized by the staff, to ensure rational and efficient covenant enforcement; and
    d. ~~encourage staff to continually improve customer service skills;~~
    d. ~~investigate~~ review annually the extent of the authority of the Association to enforce compliance with the Covenants within the restrictions of the Virginia Property Owners Association Act (VPOAA);
2. Actively work with the staff to provide input from residents regarding the covenant procedure and ARB process;
3. Engage residents, and commercial members in discussions aimed at identifying further strategies to enhance the appeal of the Community;
4. Develop strategies to utilize the Brandermill Village Mill and website to communicate regularly with members to inform them of the purposes of the Covenants, and those most frequently violated; and
5. When indicated, coordinate approved activities of the CCC with other Committees of the BCA.

ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE and PROCESSES:

The CCC reports to the Board of Directors of the BCA (the Board), and operates according to the provisions of this Charter, the By Laws of the Association, the BCA General Policies for Committee Operations (Committee Policies), and any other regulations that may be promulgated by the Board from time to time.

The CCC shall meet each month, or when deemed necessary by the Chair.

COMMITTEE POLICIES:

Written reports to the Board will be submitted when indicated. The Chair, and each member of the CCC, will attempt to attend one BCA Board Meeting each year in order to be familiar with the activities of the Association, and to inform the MC of recent developments.

It is the responsibility of the Chair of the CCC to ensure the smooth integration and a minimum overlap of its activities with those of other Committees of the Association.

EXPENDITURES

The CCC, with guidance from the Finance Committee or Staff, will develop an estimate of the anticipated annual expenditures of the MC, and submit this estimate as a component of the CCC Annual Work Plan.

REVIEW

This Charter will be reviewed annually by the Board.

APPROVAL

This Charter was approved by the BCA Board of Directors at the Board Meeting held on _____, and supersedes all previous charters approved prior to this date.

Proposed Revision to Residential Design Standards
April 2010

Purpose: The purpose of this revision is to recognize and permit the creation of appropriate decorative sculptures by residents from existing trees within their properties. The proposed policy recognizes the rights of residents to expression, while retaining the right of the Association through the ARB to be free from obscene sculptures. This new policy shall be limited to sculptures carved from trees.

Background: The need for this policy revision was highlighted by a request from a resident for the Association to approve a sculpture carved from a damaged pine tree located in the front of the resident's home. The sculpture is a large hawk, a bird indigenous to the area. Upon review, the ARB determined only that the sculpture was not located behind the front plane of the home and thus, it could not be approved. The resident appealed to the Board of Directors in October 2009. The ARB noted that its denial was not based on the content of the sculpture, but solely on the location of the sculpture as it interpreted the Residential Design Standards. This discussion also revealed that the ARB could not and would not deny approval of an obviously obscene sculpture so long as that obscene sculpture was located behind the rear plane of the home. The result is that a seemingly appropriate sculpture located in a front yard must be taken down while an obscene sculpture located in a rear yard may remain indefinitely.

Based on these concerns, the Board delayed taking action on the ARB denial of the request, and requested that the ARB attempt to create a workable and enforceable policy for tree sculptures. The ARB did not present a policy for tree sculptures to the Board of Directors for consideration. The following proposed new policy to address these issues is presented for consideration by the Board of Directors:

Proposed Policy Language:

8.6 LANDSCAPE ACCESSORIES

8.6.1 General Requirements: Landscape accessories including firewood sheds, arbors, trellises, benches, fountains, flagpoles, permanent barbecues, decorative objects, etc. must be approved by the ARB as to design and location.

8.6.1.1 Tree Sculpture. Residents may create a single non-obscene sculpture carved from any tree situated upon their property, with prior approval of the ARB. The review of the ARB shall be limited to a review of whether the proposed sculpture is "obscene" as that term is defined in the Virginia Code at Section 18.1-372. No tree may be cut for the purpose of creating tree sculpture pursuant to this section without prior approval of the Association consistent with the Residential Design Standards. Residents are encouraged to use damaged trees for such sculptures prior to requesting the cutting of a healthy tree.

8.6.2 Mailboxes: Mailboxes must be installed utilizing the standard Brandermill post design, and the approved mailbox size and color. Paint kits are available through the BCA office for a nominal fee. If requested, the BCA Maintenance Department will replace mailboxes, posts and name boards for a fee. Name boards are optional. Mailboxes must also meet federal postal regulations. Contact the Association office for information on obtaining posts, boxes, and for color information.

Effective Date: This new policy 8.6.1.1 (Tree Sculpture) shall be effective upon approval of the Board of Directors.

References:

Virginia Code Section 18.2-372. "Obscene" defined.

"The word "obscene" where it appears in this article shall mean that which, considered as a whole, has as its dominant theme or purpose an appeal to the prurient interest in sex, that is, a shameful or morbid interest in nudity, sexual conduct, sexual excitement, excretory functions or products thereof or sadomasochistic abuse, and which goes substantially beyond customary limits of candor in description or representation of such matters and which, taken as a whole, does not have serious literary, artistic, political or scientific value."