

# MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Held at the Community Park January 13, 2013

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm by the Secretary, Ms. Athoy Neil and a resident offered prayer.

In attendance were the following Executive Members: Andrea Golding - President Andrew Grant - Senior Vice President Donald Scott - Vice President Athoy Neil – Secretary Joan Edgar – Assistant Secretary Petrina Henry – Asst. Assistant PRO Peter Hutchinson - Treasurer Peter Baker - Company Secretary Donald Tomlinson - Community Partner, Planning & Development

Absent: Jason Kirby -PRO

The following issues were addressed:

### > <u>Hartlands Road Repairs:</u>

The President informed the gathering that after several attempts with the relevant authority to do some repairs to the road, it appeared at this point that nothing will be done to the road.

Community Partner, Donald Tomlinson, then informed the resident that they need to make a decision as to the way forward. He further informed that based on an estimate received, it would take a contribution of \$1,500 per household to do some repairs to the road. At this point, the residents voted in favor of this proposal and mandated the Association to commence collection.

Treasurer, Peter Hutchinson assured the residents that the most transparent system would be put in place to manage the collection and expenditure process. He noted further that several communiqué will be disseminated during the course of the following week to inform the residents about the project. A resident asked what would happen if the full amount for the project was not collected. It was explained that a meeting would be held with all contributors and they would decide whether the funds would be refunded or used to fix the interior roads. The residents then voted to decide on these two options.

### Material stored on the sidewalk:

The President made it clear that the sidewalk is public space and the increasing number of storage of construction material along the side walk is a cause for concern. She cited an example, where a child was going to the shop had to exit the side walk because of a heap of construction material and almost got hit by a speeding car. The President informed that not only is storing material along the side walk dangerous for pedestrians but it presents an unsightly appearance to the community.

The President implored residents to remove their materials from the side walk, failing which other options would be contemplated.

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#### <u>"Stray" Dogs</u>

Stray dogs are now a troubling issue for the community. Residents are complaining that they have to harm themselves when they go jogging. One resident complained that a stray dog ate her rabbits. The President informed that since the dogs have no owners, they should be dealt with accordingly.

### **Burning of Garbage:**

It has come to the Association's attention that residents have resorted to burn garbage whenever the garbage collector fails to pick-up. The President implored the community to desist this practice. We are aware that garbage is not being collected as scheduled and we are in contact with the relevant authority to address this matter.

## Sewerage Odour:

The Association has been receiving complaints of sewerage odour emanating from the drains. Letters will be prepared and dispatched to the relevant authority to address this concern.

### Increasing Commerce in the Community:

The President informed the gathering of an increase in business activity in the community and urged residents to desist from this practice.

### Frequent Electrical Outage:

Noting the frequent outage, the President informed the gathering that we need to find a way to have the wire running across the football field removed, as when the footballers kick the ball and it hits the wire, it results in outages.

#### Volunteers needed:

The President informed that volunteers are needed on the Sports, Planning and Fundraising Sub-Committees. She explained that the more hands on deck, the easier it would be for the Association to carry out its beautification and other development projects that are required to uplift the community.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:45p.m.