



Wilde Lake Village Board Meeting
February 6, 2023

CALL TO ORDER

A virtual meeting of the Wilde Lake Village Board was called to order by Kevin McAliley, Chair; on February 6, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. Members present were Tina Horn, Vice Chair; Steve Campbell, Chuck Yarbrough, Kondi Walters-Smith, Bill Santos, Wilde Lake Rep to the CA Board; and Executive Director/Village Manager, Sharon Cooper-Kerr. Also present at the meeting were Elizabeth Lopez, Election Board Chair; Special Guest, Kimco team; Mary Kay Sigaty, and Dale Wasmus, board secretary. Many residents attended this meeting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: *Ms. Horn made a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Campbell seconded the motion. All in favor.*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: *Mr. Campbell made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of January 23, 2023. Ms. Horn seconded the motion. All in favor.*

RESIDENT SPEAKOUT: Several residents attended Resident Speakout. Some had questions for Kimco Realty and/or suggestions about Wilde Lake Village Center.

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

Special Guests: The Kimco Team consisting of Greg Reed, Vice President of Development; Ryan McCoy, Michael Ogden, Directors of Development; Jenna Mielke, Director of Leasing; and Danielle Colletti, Property Manager presented. Mr. Reed stated that Alta Apartments are 94% occupied and standard industry considers 95% fully occupied. He also stated that the former Melting Pot building does not have a sprinkler system nor is it ADA compliant. The existing restaurants are grandfathered in and do not need sprinklers. Ms. Mielke advised that supply is limited. Three out of the six village centers Kimco owns are fully leased. Kimco is currently in discussions about the Melting Pot building and looking at long term strategies. Ms. Colletti talked about the improvements that were made last year to the Village Green area. They added a turf area along with Adirondack chairs and removed the fountain due to structural damage. Kimco hopes to add shady spots using sun sails in the spring as well as a few children's climbing equipment. A few residents asked the Kimco team questions and offered suggestions.

*Election Updates: Mr. McAliley introduced the Election Chair, Ms. Elizabeth Lopez. Ms. Lopez thanked the Wilde Lake Village Board for confirming her appointment as Election Chair. Currently she is scheduling times to go to the local high school PTA meetings to present information about the upcoming village elections. Ms. Horn suggested the outreach should include the elementary and middle school PTA's and offered to help. The Election Committee would like to hold informal sessions about running for the Wilde Lake Village Board to expand the interest of serving on the village board. A tentative date for the information session is on the evening of February 27, 2023. Ms. Cooper-Kerr shared the timeline of the village elections, previously uploaded to Google drive. We will share the election information regularly through our newsletter, social

media, and our website. Ms. Lopez suggested that it would be very important for the current Wilde Lake Board to attend the information meetings. She asked the board members to think about the top three things that they have been able to accomplish and why that is important to them to offer at the meetings. Mr. McAliley called for a motion to approve the election timeline. **Mr. Yarbrough made a motion to approve the election timeline. Ms. Horn seconded the motion. All in favor.**

*Communications – Wilde Lake Village Board email accounts: Several board members have voiced their concerns about using their own personal email accounts to conduct Wilde Lake Village Board business. Ms. Cooper-Kerr is currently researching the cost of changing the board members' emails to a Wilde Lake domain. This discussion has been tabled for the board meeting in March 2023.

REPORTS:

Columbia Council Representative: Mr. Santos spoke about the ongoing chaos at Columbia Association. In one day both the CEO and General Counsel of CA resigned as well as Janet Evens, CA Rep from Long Reach. Neither the CA Board Chair nor the Vice Chair have communicated to the CA Board of Directors since these resignations took place. Columbia Association staff has started the RFP process for finding a new Columbia Association President/CEO. Mr. Santos mentioned that no CA grants will be issued in FY2024 except to the Inner Arbor Trust and he will recommend funding of \$50,000.

COMMITTEES:

Education – Ms. Horn advised that she recently attended Wilde Lake High School's Community Circle Night. Ms. Cooper-Kerr was also in attendance. Ms. Horn is in the process of setting up an appointment to meet with Dr. Willis, President of Howard Community College, for possible opportunities for collaboration between Wilde Lake Village and HCC.

Neighborhood Reps – Mr. Yarbrough recently met with Ms. Cooper-Kerr on January 27, 2023 to discuss this committee. It was a productive meeting, and a decision was made that this should be a staff function. Ms. Milani, Wilde Lake's Covenant Advisor, agreed to be the coordinator of neighborhood representatives.

AC Liaison – At the recent RAC meeting, members were asked their thoughts on EV charging stations. CA Legal is slow to address this issue. Mr. Campbell previously submitted his report and stated that the next RAC meeting is February 28, 2023.

Executive Director/Village Manager - Ms. Cooper-Kerr shared that she attended Wilde Lake High School Community Circle on January 23, 2023, and is registered to attend the WL CARES webinar via Zoom on Thursday, February 9, 2023. The current Black & White Photography Exhibit at Slayton House has been well attended. Approximately fifteen people attended the Gallery Talk with Charles Levie and group on January 25, 2023. The next exhibitor at Slayton House will be Marcie Wolf-Hubbard starting on February 22, 2023, through April 14, 2023. Summer camps are returning to Slayton House and will provide five weeks of programming by Columbia Center for Theatrical Arts, Imagination 101 and School House Theatre of the Arts. The theater lighting renovation should be finished by the end of February. Ms. Cooper-Kerr asked the board members if they were ready to return to in-person meetings. Several responded yes and it was decided that the March 6, 2023, Wilde Lake Village Board meeting, will be a hybrid meeting. On February 23, 2023, Wilde Lake's IT Consultant, Robin Abello, will conduct Cyber Security Training for staff. If any board members are interested in attending let Ms. Cooper-Kerr know.

Chair – Mr. McAliley advised that he recently had a meeting with Deb Jung, Vice Chair, Howard County Council. They discussed the vacant Faulkner Ridge Elementary School and ideas for possible usage of the building. The building is currently used for storage and has been vacant since 2011.

Mr. McAliley called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. ***Ms. Horn made a motion to adjourn the meeting at approximately 9:05 p.m. Mr. Campbell seconded the motion. All in favor.***