

Community Building Committee Meeting  
Monday, March 12, 2018 – 6:30 pm  
Edgecumb Recreation Center – 320 S. Griggs St

**MINUTES**

In attendance: Tom Dietsche, Craig Skone, Britta Sherrill, Anne LeDuc, Vanessa Lucius

**Introductions/Additions of Deletions to Agenda**

- None

**Approval of February 2018 Minutes**

- The minutes from February 2018 were unanimously approved by voice vote.

**Elevator speeches:**

- We have a variety of examples and we can tailor them to our tone of voice and relationship with the person we are speaking with.
- Anne shared how successful it was to have Patty come and address her neighbors, who were very engaged and interested.
- Tom suggested possibly bringing to Board or other Committees in case these examples are helpful for them.

**Community Forum Topics (aka “Community Conversations”):**

- We came up with 12 ideas and will have them at the annual meeting. Neighbors can vote for their favorite using a dot sticker.
- We are open to hearing other ideas and will take them into consideration but are not leaving open a place for them to fill them in.
- Most of our ideas fit into a few categories: Support and/or challenges for Seniors/Older Persons, Housing, Relationships with Neighbors/Students and Internet/Connectivity.
  - Some of these are not specific to Mac-Grove; we could co-host with other neighborhood groups
- In May we’ll discuss the interest levels from the annual meeting and decide how to proceed in organizing our first topic.
- Britta mentioned that we have received grant money for work in equity. Liz and Britta proposed that depending on the topics chosen, they may meet the criteria for the grants.

**Mac-Grove Fest:**

- Scheduled for Saturday, September 8.
- Planning to do a scavenger hunt again.
- A general “Celebrate Mac-Groveland” theme and each stop could find their own way of demonstrating this.
- We took some time to brainstorm ideas and will discuss more May, June and July.

**Garden Fest:**

- May 12 at Edgcumbe.
- Commitments from: Ann (our seed lady) is coming to do a seed activity, and Water Steward commitment.
- Craig will ask Ann if she can bring containers for DIY container gardens for renters.
- Brainstormed ideas to engage kids—kid awards for when they plant their seedlings in their ally gardens.
- We want to have some organization but not over-organize it because we don't know how it will go this year since it's our first year advertising to kids and renters.

**Updates/Announcements/Other Business**

- MGCC Annual Meeting
- Mac-Grove Mini Grants Application deadline, Sunday April 29
- Garden Fest, May 12 at 9 am

**Adjourn**

**Next Meeting: April 9, 2018 at 6:30 pm**