Amberley Village Council Public Outreach Committee – Meeting Minutes February 18, 2009

In attendance: Peg Conway, Chuck Kamine, Merrie Stillpass, Leslie McIntosh, Louis Katz, Jon Chaiken, Fran Cohen, Bernie Boraten, Jack Monahan, Scott Wolf, Tom Neumann, Carl Fristchi

1. Minutes – The minutes from the meeting of January 8 were reviewed and approved.

2. Amberley Green

The main focus of the meeting was the formation of a citizen advisory committee to make recommendations to Council on the future use of the Amberley Green property. The committee had considered this matter briefly a few months previously but chose to wait and see what might result from potential interest that had been shown by golf course operators. Those possibilities are still pending, but it seems appropriate to move forward to form this group.

Chuck elaborated that he envisioned the committee similar to the Stormwater Utility which advises Council. Scott Wolf, a member of our Planning Commission who was also involved in the development of the JCC, has agreed to chair the committee.

It is envisioned as a group representing varied constituencies of the Village such as nearby homeowners; Save Our Village; opposition group; representatives of Council, Stormwater, businesses, synagogues, JCC, maintenance and public safety staff; representing all Council districts. There are specific individuals who have already expressed interest in this type of work. The total size likely will be approx. 15.

Membership: Council members will send their suggestions for committee members to the Outreach Committee Chair by Feb. 27 (later amended to Feb. 25). It was agreed to meet again on Mar. 3, 2009, to discuss the nominations.

Parameters/Tasks: The scope of the committee's task was discussed, and it was agreed that it should focus on "green" options for the property for the initial time period. The committee could ask for a change in focus later. The following parameters were discussed as a guide for the committee's work:

- Amberley Green will maintain current green acreage with same or approximate build footprint (ie clubhouse, parking, maintenance building, footprint for tennis and pool).
- Operation and maintenance (excluding standard Village services) of Amberley Green will be cost neutral to the Village.
- Usage will be complementary to other entities in Amberley, e.g. JCC, synagogues, Village amenities).
- Usage/operation will be consistent with Amberley Long-Range Plan.

• Amberley Green will be accessible to all Amberley residents, either exclusively or with priority status if the usage is otherwise open to the public. Committee members will be provided with background materials on the property specifically and the Village generally.

Time frame: A time frame of 6 months was agreed.

Staff support: Nicole or Anna will be asked to help with minutes and agendas; Bernie will follow up with them. It was suggested that meeting times be established up front to tell potential members before they are appointed.

3. The meeting was adjourned.

Next meeting:	March 3,	2009,	at 4:00	p.m.
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C	Peg Conway, Committee Chair	