

Country Club Hills Civic Association minutes, June 4, 2009

Present at the meeting were; Carney, Fraser, Caruso, Dedham, J. Pachuta, , Prescott, Uttenweiler, Thomas, A. Pachuta, Baxter-Gagen.

Reports:

Secretary: Minutes of the May 13th General meeting were deferred and will be sent out via email upon return of Secretary Pullen.

Treasurer: Treasurer Pachuta reported a starting balance of \$4,515.53.

President: Carney welcomed the new Board and asked that each VP and Committee Chair talked about their respective subject in line with the presented agenda.. Carney acknowledged that the style of her leadership was that she worked by consensus of the group, liked to be involved, and was available to help anytime. She reported that meetings were held with Publications and Membership-Block VP's during the month. Newsletter deadline dates were set for June 18, August 23, November 22 and April 18. These DEADLINE dates were set to coincide with main social events. Board Meeting proposed dates were set for: August 13th at the home of the Pachutas, November 12th at the home of Caruso, and April 8 at the home of Prescott.

Civic Affairs: Fraser reported that the City had sent a letter asking if CCH residents would help with replacing the sewer markers that were damaged. Board members were favorable to the idea – Fraser will follow up. She announced that the Community Center on Old Lee Highway will begin construction in October. The Cityscene will be sent out electronically beginning next month.

Block Captains: Caruso reported that all the block captain slots were filled and that most were recycling the envelopes back to him. Reported that as a result of the meeting with outgoing and incoming VP's, Membership, block captains will be asked to help with a door to door drive for residents that had not yet joined and that a target date for this might middle of July. If block captains are not available to do so, Board members were asked to help.

Membership: Dedham reported that there were 77 paid applications to date (some she had not tallied as yet). Another application will be attached to the newsletter and there will be a "membership" table with a Board member soliciting new members at each gathering of residents during the year –next one is Ice Crème Social.

Publications: Pachuta's discussed the transition meeting with Adamson and Carney. Adamson has turned over the plate for the newsletter and other materials. Carney has requested that each VP and Committee member have a "by-line" in the newsletter and that they supply the pertinent information reflecting their committee. Pachuta's approved the dates of the publication for the newsletter. Carney encouraged the Board members to

submit their information within a week of the deadline date and if they needed help to please let her know.

Directory: Klimonda has volunteered to publish the directory this year.

Marketing: Need to find a co-chair to do marketing – in the meantime Pachuta's Are doing it.

Social Activities: Prescott and Uttenweiler announced the dates of social activities proposed for 2009. A chart was established and will be sent to all Board members. They ask for volunteers to help with the activities. Volunteer Leslie Daniels is handling the upcoming yard sale on July 18.

Discussion of the "Santa" visits brought volunteers Caruso and Thomas.

Discussion of the Oasis Bike Co. attending the Ice Crème social – it was decided that only minor repair be offered to participants.

Thomas will call the Fire Dept. to see if they can be present. Volunteer Lee Fabor will help with this event.

Community Safety: Thomas reported on the recent arrests of the "car thief" in the neighborhood. She is now receiving all of the police reports from a City source so that the Board will be notified of any problems. Since the thief was staying at a low rate hotel on Route 50, a discussion about calling the City to try to raise those rates or perhaps screen the guests better was held. A question of a possibility of instituting a "block watch" system was discussed. Thomas will report.

Commons: Carney will meet with N. Lescure to discuss the weeding problem.

Electronic Media: In his absence, Klimonda's memo was discussed, particularly about a policy of sending out newsletter, flyers, etc., via email. Prescott will design a survey memo which will be sent to yahoo participants and attached to the newsletter. The Board will be sent a draft for their input.

Historian: S. Lescure will write, as his article, about an historical issue in CCH.

Publicity: Baxter-Gagan is the contact for this committee.

Welcoming: Carney has asked Lama to report sales and prices for CCH homes as well as encouraging residents to call her with new move-in's.

Community Appearance: The Fairfax Community Church has contacted CCH offering to help residents with services such as yard work, plumbing, others. They particularly mentioned the Margrave overgrown property. Caruso and Carney talked to Andrew Margrave and he will be very happy to have help. Carney will contact the FCC for further plans. Board members are encouraged to look for "needy" residents for this service from the Church as well as from this Committee. A co-chair for these issues is needed.

Community Emergency: West will submit an article on an emergency issue.

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Recycling: Baxter-Gagan reported on the City's recycling effort and will get and publish the latest rules for such. Suggestions were made to encourage residents to recycle and to ask the City for more recycling bins for residents who need more or don't have them. BG will talk to the City. Discussion on if it would be prudent to "cite" residents for not recycling. It was decided it may be an intrusion and that literature may be more effective.

Old Business: Minutes from the GM will be solicited.

New Business: No new business

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 9:30PM.

Minutes taken by Carney in the absence of Secretary Pullen