

Minutes of CCHCA 06-17- 10 Board of Directors Meeting

Attendance: Ernie Klimonda, Judy Fraser, Jennifer Kelly , Jackie and Andy Pachuta, Laura Downey, Margarita Diaz, Toby Sorensen, Kathy Barber, Katie Baxter-Gagen, Amy Levy (Absent: Hildie Carney, Steve Caruso, Dia Pullen, Nasrin Lescure, Tom Horn, Matthew West, Marty Pullen, Chris Gagen, Steve Caruso. Steve Lescure)

Treasurer: (Andy Pachuta) \$1,563.67 in restricted funds and \$4,222.63 in unrestricted funds. The restricted funds are designated for specific neighborhood projects that benefit the public and have been used for initiatives such as landscaping the Common area in the past.

Secretary: Katie took minutes in Dia's absence. The board approved the minutes of the March 11, 2010 Board of Directors (BOD) meeting and May 13, 2010 General Membership meeting.

In Hildie's absence Judy ran the meeting. Hildie is on the mend and we're all pleased! The next BOD meeting will be Aug 26.

Civic Affairs: (Judy Fraser) High school students are parking on Pinehurst. General discussion of pros and cons of parking restrictions. Jenny Drummy is pursuing a petition.

Judy said there have been noise complaints. The City will intervene when a complaint is filed as long as someone is being annoyed. Amy looked up noise ordinance: 55 decibels is the maximum level for noise between 7AM and 10PM; between 10PM and 7AM no exceptions should be made; otherwise, applications for exceptions are considered for louder noise during the daytime hours.

Over-crowding in a home was brought to Hildie's attention and Judy said neighbors should address concerns to city zoning office and inspectors will investigate.

Membership: (Margarita Diaz) Ideas for membership drive were discussed: sending an email, colorful flyer. Focus on getting previous members to renew who may have unintentionally lapsed in membership. Margarita will get the list of people who have lapsed and send a special email and block captains can be asked to visit those who haven't renewed yet.

The option to pay in advance for multiple years will now be available. The board decided to start with just a one- or two-year option. Ernie will change/update the membership form.

Publications: (Andy Pachuta) Articles were due today. Newsletter will be to Steve to distribute to block captains by 6/25 and delivery will hopefully be asap! Next newsletter submissions deadline should be August 13 and Katie suggested including a fictional account of the potential for the Labor Day picnic to entice neighbors to join us. Kathy will place an article in the newsletter showing the rates for advertising. Also will work on a chart showing when advertisers have completed their 4 issues so that a reminder can be sent to that effect. Board asked that a rate charge flyer be written so that all Board members and residents can be encouraged to solicit advertising.

Social: (Jennifer Kelly) Ice-cream social is being organized and coordinated by Stephanie Uttenweiler. 6:30 – 8:30 on June 24. Always the last day of school.

We discussed a potential cchca pool grill off party, cocktail party, progressive dinner. We also discussed possible entertainment ideas for the labor day picnic. Jennifer will follow up with Stephanie and Nina about supplies and directions for social events.

Community Safety (Laura Downey) The cross-walk over Old Lee Hwy from Old Post needs to be better marked. Jennifer suggested orange flags like those used in DC for some crosswalks. Laura plans to pursue location flags for fire-hydrants.

Laura plans to share police reports and safety issues, tips via yahoo periodically.

Community Appearance: (Amy Levy) Ideas to use restricted funds for various community enhancements were shared. The path from Pinehurst to the high school needs trash cans to be maintained. Amy will pursue with City.

Amy discussed problem of overgrown lawns: end of Old Post is often cut by neighbors. Six inches is the minimum to complain; city will inspect and notify owner, and reinspect in ten days. If not mown the city will send a crew and bill the property owner.

Katie mentioned that if a resident has a temporary disability or need the BOD has the name of a member who has volunteered to help with the lawn work.

Residents need to remember to keep their hedges and trees trimmed to keep the sidewalks and visibility safe for walkers and drivers.

Electronic Media: (Ernie Klimonda) Ernie reported that people have been better at following yahoo post guidelines.

Welcoming: (Ernie Klimonda) Five - six new properties have sold, so we're expecting a lot of new members.

Publicity: Judy said that Stephanie is making ice cream social signs and Chris Gagen is putting the signs out.

Recycling: (Katie Baxter-Gagen) Katie noted that all 7th graders at Lanier Middle School are required to complete 5 hours of environment service. Brian Fraser, a resident of CCH, created a survey on our neighborhood's recycling mood. He gratefully received 91 responses that included many questions. Katie called the Fairfax City Refuse and Recycling Department and discovered the recycling program has grown since she last checked. The City has the capability to recycle much more than what we are providing and she will include in newsletter.

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:35 pm.