

Country Club Hills Civic Association

Board Meeting

January 16, 2003

The meeting was called to order at 7:20 PM at the home of Debbie and Steve Lane. Present were Katie Gagen-Baxter; Jill Toth, Debbie and Steve Lane, Hildie Carney, Nancy Jones, Lisa Whetzel, Sharon Leasure, Steve Wilkinson (guest), and Paul Sullivan. David Oliver and Ingrid Annibale were excused.

The City bought area at end of Rebel Run for 1.3 million dollars and the plans are for it to remain open space. Paul will send a letter to thank the City for purchasing the land.

Fairfax City sent out grant applications for 2003. For information purposes, Paul spoke at the Planning Commission regarding funds for enhancing the common area. The Planning Commission has funds set aside for "hip pocket / stub street parks." And when Paul and others on the Board meet with the mayor, we will ask that the remaining portion of the 2002 grant (\$1,500.00) be used for this purpose. Paul is waiting to hear from Mayor Lederer to figure out the cost and feasibility of these plans and to whom should we be talking to (what board)? Motion was passed unanimously to apply for the next grant and use that money and any left over from 2002 to enhance common area based on the first meeting with Mayor. The committee for this effort will be Jill, Lisa, Debbie, Paul and Oliver Long.

Paul recommends anyone interested pick up a copy of the CIP at City Hall. He attended a meeting concerning the CIP and 4 speakers spoke in favor of improving Old Lee Highway. Safety is #1 concern and it'll probably be 5 years to the point of starting actual improvements.

Reports:

VP-Civic: Oliver Long – Absent

VP-Block Captains: Hildie Carney
Nothing new to report.

VP-Membership: Jill Toth

Jill submitted a PowerPoint overview of her plan for a membership drive. Her plan was approved unanimously. (See attached) Canvassing for membership will take place on June 14, July 12, and Aug. 16th. The next general membership meeting will be held May 5, 2003. Jill may meet with Hildie's block captains to get their cooperation in knocking on doors. Paul offered to go with anyone who is hesitant. The next new directory will be produced no later than Nov. 15th so that data obtained throughout the summer and the general meeting can be verified.

VP-Publications: Steve Lane

Next newsletter has a submittal deadline of February 28th and a production date of the middle of March.

VP-Social Activities: Debbie Lane and Lisa Whetzel, Committee Chairperson

Debbie and Lisa will look into the feasibility of planning an ice cream social type event for May or June in addition to the Fall picnic. The Holiday Report (attached) shows successful holiday events. We gave a \$60 gift Certificate to Santa Marty Farmer who also is Santa at the

Festival of Lights. Next year reduce the amount of time actually spent in the home (20 minutes is too long) and call to remind families of the schedule of visits. As for the Luminaries, it was decided to limit them to several specific days.

Treasurer: David Oliver (excused, report attached)

Secretary: Nancy Jones

The minutes from the General Membership meeting are approved by attendees of the next General Membership meeting in September so no minutes were read.

Committee-Welcoming: Sharon Leasure

Sharon reports that she has caught up with all the newcomers. She distributed popcorn tins from Staples along with information packets from City Hall and a welcoming letter from Sharon on behalf of CCH. She visited approximately 8 families.

Committee –Historian: Ingrid Annibale. Ingrid sent Paul the finalized copy of our by-laws to distribute via email to board.

Committee – Crime Watch: Katie Gagen-Baxter

Katie has not been able to contact our rep at the Police Station to find out how much crime activity CCH has. Paul will contact the Police Chief to resolve who is our contact. There seems to be no interest in continuing the Crime Watch activities.

Katie will head up an effort to try to identify home in CCH that might be structurally in trouble according the state and city residential codes. She will report to the Board. She will work on trying to get the state and city laws into a flyer format for distribution to the homes in CCH, allowing citizens time to comply.

All committee reports were accepted as presented.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

None

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 with the next meeting date set as March 19 2003 at 7:00 P.M.