

Greenway Fields Homes Association
Approved Minutes of the Board of Directors
November 23, 2015

Attendance

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m. at the home of Jeanette LePique, 6418 Wornall Terrace.

Board Members:

Present - David Slawson, Nola Devitt, Sarah McCracken, Bob Deeg, Jeanette LePique

Absent - Scott Kaiser, Cady Seabaugh

I. Agenda

Agenda for November 23, 2015 meeting submitted and approved.

II. Old Business

- A. Minutes from October 19, 2015 - Reviewed and unanimously approved.

III. New Business

A. President's Update - David

1. *Tree Replacement update:* Mr. LaPointe, from K C Forestry Department, has a list of failed trees from subcontractor (not sure how many) that will be addressed Fall 2015. David has a list of approximately 10 sites that will be addressed Spring 2016.
2. *Security:* Discussion ensued about concerns from residents on recent increase in crime (or perceived increase, due to social media posts?). David has contacted "Chelsea Brown Security" from Highwood's (Plaza) security about possibly utilizing them to augment our current arrangement (use of off-duty KCPD patrols @ \$1,000/month). Chelsea Brown would be willing to use foot patrols to "walk the beat" in GFHA to increase visibility. After discussing Security budget, Sarah said the budget will allow an increase in security expenditures. **Board members present voted unanimously** to temporarily double security for 60 days (Dec-Jan 2016), a maximum \$2,000/month, with either current arrangement or with Chelsea Brown. Board will reassess in February. Sarah suggested requesting Officer Trainor have a meeting with GFHA residents to discuss current security arrangement and advise ways homeowners can reduce crime. David will follow up.
3. *Holiday Party:* David will host December party at his home unless another host volunteers.

B. Treasurers Update - Sarah

1. GFHA is on budget (actually under-budget by \$3,500). CID Legal services reflects preparation of Annual Report (August) and CID Annual Special Assessment Report.

C. Board Members Terms and 2016 Elections - All

1. According to GFHA 2009 By-Laws, Board of Directors shall be between five and nine members. Currently there are seven members but Scott Kaiser has decided not to seek re-election upon completion of current term. Up for re-election will be Sarah, David (appointed July 2014 with resignation of Beth), and Bob (appointed July 2015 with resignation of Neil O'Connor). New Board members will be recruited with MailChimp and Newsletter notifications as well as at the Holiday party.

D. Restoration of Meyer Columns - Nola

1. Nola has coordinated repair with contractor, Wayne Todd Masonry, and has kept St. Andrew's Church updated. State Farm Insurance will reimburse \$350 to Greenway Fields CID which was paid to Mr. Todd for initial cleanup.

E. Strawn Park Drainage Issue - Nola and Jeanette

1. Nola and Jeanette met with Brad Keller from "Atlantis Drainage Solutions" about ponding issues and need for re-grading Strawn Park, as outlined in "LandPlan Engineering" report in May 2015. Bid was \$2,350 for soil regrading only. If concrete benches and statues need to be moved to properly grade, the risk of damage increases. David suggested calling the Nelson-Atkins Museum for recommendations of statuary movers. Nola will follow-up with other landscape contractors for bids. Plan will be to begin work in Spring 2016.

F. Landscaping/Snow Removal - David

1. Sarah has requested the funds to pay for Strawn Park playground mulch. When delivered, volunteers will be recruited via email to distribute.
2. Snow Removal contract with Rose Property Maintenance for 2015-16 Winter season has been signed.

G. Upcoming Events/Planning - All

1. *Holiday Party* will be 12/6/15 (first Sunday in December) at David Slawson's, 400 W. 63rd St. Budget is \$650 but **Board voted to allow an additional \$75** (max \$750) if necessary. Board will help with setup and cleanup. Cady will MailChimp residents and Bob will MailChimp Block Captains to personally invite.
2. *Lighting Contest* - Categories will be listed on FaceBook, with voting option. Signs are at Neil's. Nola and Jeanette will judge categories by 12/15 and place signs.
3. *Block Captain Appreciation Event* - Bob will plan a Block Captain meeting/appreciation event after Annual Meeting in February. David suggests recruiting Block Captains as potential Board members. If he has time, David will make special Block Captain name tags for Holiday Party.
4. *Annual Meeting* - Saturday, February 6, 2016 (at Charlie Hooper's?). February Board Meeting with newly elected members will be Monday, February 15, 2016, location TBD.

H. Newsletter Update - Nola

1. November (4Q 2015) issue has gone to print. Two residents, Tom O'Connor and Nicki Crawford, have contributed articles. Refer any advertisers to Nola.

I. Website/Communication

1. Cady will report later on Centennial Survey. As of mid-November, there were 34 responses and 9 volunteers.

J. GFHA Calendar - Jeanette

1. Move discussion of Security to February.

IV. Next Meeting and Location

The next meeting will be Monday, January 18th, 2015, at Bob Deeg's, 604 W. 61st Ter.

V. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.