# Stratford Gardens Homes Association Board Meeting Minutes January 31, 2007

The meeting was called to order by Mary Martin, Homes Association President, at 7:00pm.

Members present: Mary Martin, Paul Mohr, Randy Bredar, Gwen Caranchini, Colleen Kennedy, Stephen Lyddon, Beth Chu

Order of Business

# A. Approval of the minutes.

The minutes from the meeting held on June 16, 2006 were reviewed. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes with one small correction. The vote was unanimous in favor. The minutes from the meeting held on October 9, 2006 were reviewed. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes as written and the vote taken was unanimously in favor.

### B. E-mail Update

Mary thanked Gwen Caranchini for all of her hard work putting together an email address list for our neighborhood. Information such as security alerts and newsletters will be sent via e-mail to those who provide an address. There are still email addresses to be collected and the group will work on getting those added to the list. For those members who do not have an e-mail address information will be mailed.

### C. Snow Removal

Mary spoke with our Snow Removal contractor who reported that our neighborhood has been plowed five times so far this year. In planning for next year, the contractor mentioned that they will not offer a seasonal contract, but instead will charge per plowing. She also spoke with the contractor about the possibility of spreading salt on our streets and the costs in involved.

# **D.** 63<sup>rd</sup> Street Island

Mary Martin has been researching options for the island and has had several estimates. Board members will be working on finding options for removing the trough and basin and doing landscaping. There is an effort to try to keep the original fountain if possible. Mary Martin and Jennifer King will continue working on this project. Colleen Kennedy has presented the information on the fountain to PIAC and is waiting to hear if funding might be available for this project.

### **E. Forum Summary**

The Forum held with the Mayoral candidates was well attended and very informative. Each Homes Association paid \$50.00 to attend.

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## F. Spring Garages Sale, Easter Egg Hunt, etc.

The spring garage sale was discussed and possible dates are late May or early June. We will coordinate with other nearby Homes Associations on a date to be announced. It was decided not to hold a neighborhood Easter Egg hunt due to possible weather issues. There was discussion of having a block party during the summer instead.

## G. Annual Meeting

Possible dates and venues for the Stratford Gardens Annual Meeting were discussed. One possible date is May 10. Venues were discussed and we will check into the availability of church rooms. We will also work on getting refreshments for the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.

Respectfully submitted, Beth Chu