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STRATFORD GARDENS BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
May 23, 2023

The Board of Directors of Stratford Gardens Homes Association met at 6:30 p.m. on May 23, 2023 at the home of Benny Lee.

Directors in attendance: Maggie Shine, Fred Wolferman, Courtney Fadler, Kristin Kratofil, Benny Lee and Tom Suther

Directors absent: Scott Cordes, Mary Martin and Stephen Nestor

The meeting was called to order at 6:30.

The first order of business was to elect officers. The following positions were unanimously approved for the coming year: President- Maggie Shine, Vice President- Tom Suther, Treasurer- Fred Wolferman, and Secretary- Kristin Kratofil.

The next order of business was to review the annual meeting held May 18, 2023. Overall the meeting was a success. Attendance was light but productive discussions took place around the Swatting incident and security for the neighborhood.

New business:

Newsletter:

Courtney suggested bringing back the neighborhood newsletter and offered to take on this task.

Security:

There was a lengthy discussion about options for neighborhood security and the increased costs associated with our current off duty police officer monitoring. Maggie noted that she spoke to our assigned officer and that she will ask for a written description of our current monitoring hours and costs. The board unanimously agreed to decrease the expenses associated with security for the upcoming year. The possibility of installing security cameras was discussed and it was decided to pursue PIAC funding. Fred reminded the board that the police noted the usefulness of home security cameras and Courtney agreed to add this information to the next newsletter.

Directories:

It was unanimously approved to utilize \$1,500 of the budget to print and distribute updated directories. Maggie noted that she will include a request for updated contact information in the dues letters that will be sent out.

Snow Removal:

It was noted that although we had almost no expenses last year for snow removal, the proposed budget of \$500 was too low in the event of larger snow accumulations. The board unanimously approved budgeting a total of \$2,000 for snow removal for the upcoming year.

Social events:

Courtney suggested and the board approved a budget of \$2,000 (an increase of \$1,500 from the proposed budget) for a Labor Day family friendly party and a December holiday party.

Next meeting will be scheduled in June or July. The meeting was adjourned at 7:52