



## **Blue Hills Estates Homes Association Board Meeting Minutes Tuesday, March 13, 2012 – 7:00 PM**

**Board Attendees** Karen Wood-Nelson - President, Steve Rinne - Vice President, Alan Gallas - Treasurer, Mindy Clarke - Secretary, Reza Zonnooz - Member-at-Large, Marla Barnett - Member-at-Large (non-voting)

**Absent:** Agelon Jones - Member-at-Large (non-voting)

The Board President, Karen Wood-Nelson called the Board Meeting to order at 7:10 PM. Thanks were given to the Board Members who attended and to Mindy Clarke for hosting the meeting.

### **Approval of Board Meeting Minutes**

The minutes of the Board meeting held on Tuesday, January 10, 2012 were approved as written.

### **Neighborhood Website**

- Mindy Clarke is still working on the content for the Blue Hills Estates Homes Association website.

### **Neighborhood Beautification/Improvement**

- The Board will continue the 'Yard of the Month' program that was initiated in 2011. This program rewards different homeowners in the months of June, July and August with a \$20 gift certificate from Suburban Lawn & Garden. The monthly winners will be chosen by the Board.

### **Signal Light at Carnoustie & State Line**

- No Updates

### **'Slow' Signs on St. Andrews Drive and 'Yield' Signs around the Neighborhood**

Many residents have complained that drivers speed on St. Andrews Drive.

- 'Slow' signs have been posted.
- Locations for 'Slow-Children Playing' signs were determined and sent to the City for installation.
- Locations for 'Yield' signs were also determined and sent to the City for installation.
- To date, the City has installed three (3) 'Yield' signs.
- Still waiting for the City to install the additional requested street signs.

### **Snow Plowing**

- Due to our mild winter, we fortunately did not incur any snow plowing expenses for the 2011-2012 season.

### **Island Maintenance**

- Alan Gallas will request Ultra Lawns to submit a bid for 2012 Island Maintenance.
- The Board also discussed paying willing homeowners located near islands to do the maintenance for the island near them. This would include mowing, trimming, watering, weed removal, fertilizing, etc.

### **Treasurer's Report**

- Alan Gallas/Karen Wood-Nelson presented the Treasurer's report through February 28, 2012.

### **Neighborhood Nuisances**

- Parked cars around the cul-de-sacs and along the street on St. Andrews Drive continue to generate complaints. Due to St. Andrews Drive being a narrow street, this is a driving hazard. The KCMO police have agreed to be more vigilant on this issue in the days ahead. Street and cul-de-sac parking may result in the receipt of a traffic citation from the City. Please park in your driveways.

### **Public Improvement Advisory Committee (PIAC)**

- The Public Improvements Advisory Committee (PIAC) requests submitted by Steve Rinne in 2011 are still active. We are awaiting word on their status.

### **Signing up Non-Association Members**

- There are currently ten (10) homeowners in Blue Hills Estates that are not members of the Blue Hills Estates Homes Association and, as a result, do not pay the \$75 annual Association Dues. They are getting all the benefits of the Homes Association without paying any dues. Since our dues are capped at \$75 a year and costs keep rising, the Board would like all homes in Blue Hills Estates to join the Association and pay the annual dues.

### **Review Blue Hills Estates Plot Map and Verbiage**

- An updated Blue Hills Estates Neighborhood Association map as been developed. In addition to showing the street boundaries, it also includes a verbal description of the Association boundaries.

### **Delinquent Home Owners Association Dues**

- There are four (4) homeowners in the Association that are delinquent on their 2011-2012 Annual Homes Association Dues. Delinquency letters have been issued.

### **2012 Board/Annual Meeting Schedule**

The Board meeting schedule is as follows:

1. May 8, 6:00 PM (Tuesday) (Pot Luck) Steve Rinne
2. July 17, 7:00 PM (Tuesday) Alan Gallas
3. **ANNUAL:** August 5, 2:00 PM (Sunday) Blue Hills Country Club, Trophy Room
4. August 14, 6:00 PM (Tuesday) Marla Barnett (Election of 2012-2013 Officers)

### **Other/Questions**

- Discussed UEvent which is a program that partners with Price Chopper to help neighborhoods plan and host social events. Price Chopper provides neighborhoods with free online event planners for barbecues, chili cook offs, wine tastings, beer tastings and neighborhood block parties that make the planning process simple and quick.

### **Adjourn**

With no additional business, the Board meeting was adjourned by Karen Wood-Nelson at 8:20 PM.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Mindy Clarke and Karen Wood-Nelson.

**Minutes of all annual meetings and board meetings may be found on the Homes Association of Kansas City website – [www.ha-kc.org](http://www.ha-kc.org) under ‘Missouri Associations’, then ‘Blue Hills Estates’.**