Indian Hills Homes Association Annual Meeting

January 12, 2023

Meeting Minutes:

Opened with a welcome from Rick Boyd, President

In attendance:

Rick Boyd, Sal Cessor, Sally Ehrich, Mary Ann Powell, Mike Jaax

Room was very full with excellent attendance by HOA members

Reviewed roles and responsibilities of the IHHA: defined our role, 3 HOA's in city, capital improvements with the park board, planning and hosting this event, donating to local initiatives like the Sunken Garden and Meyer Circle fountain. We work on beautification projects, support community functions, and help pay for the every 3 year community directory publication.

Financial review: board takes managing the HOA budget seriously, people appreciate the low cost of HOA, use a method of wise and prudent spending.

Reviewed the Balance Sheet of our finances. Many projects delayed due to COVID. We fund common interest projects with the Park Board- this can take time to get approval.

Significant actions since the last Annual Meeting: last meeting was 3 years ago/COVID

- 1.) Overhauled the bylaws, updated old 1920's questionable wording and used legal advice to create more modern language, installed term limits to board of 2 terms, 3 years each. Important to have turnover and new people involved in board.
- 2.) Completed projects: Five Urns Island 67<sup>th</sup> st/terr renovated, provided water to Indian Lane/Wenonga rd Island for plantings, also provided new wall, irrigation and landscaping to that island. We spent \$25,000 on this initiative in 2021-22.

## **Board Elections:**

- -request to approve, motion/second/approved Mike Jaax to a second 3-year term
- request to approve, motion/second/approved Sally Ehrich to a first 3-year term

## Open Forum for Questions:

Wanted to know new project ideas- reviewed the 2023 initiative to provide funding for new landscape lighting to the following locations: Belinder Circle, Wellhead Island, 5 Urns, and the Tomahawk fountain at Indian ln. We will plan to spend about \$40,000 on this initiative.

People said they want more projects and ways to submit their ideas.

A resident said we need to be spending the money and not letting large amounts sit unused.

There is a need for better irrigation on some city islands.

Lorelei Gibson of the park board said she would love to get ideas from residents for future projects.

There are 3 HOA: IH has 427 homes, MH has 331 and TH has 551. Total of 1309 homes in city.

## Some suggestions from the audience:

Make Indian Lane more walkable and safe for pedestrians: the Mayor David Dickey commented on these challenges.

Looking at a walking path to Prairie Elementary.

Discussed the Eisenhower Lake duckweed problem.

Discussed the 25mph city speed limit.

Lighting was discussed- improving city light post spacing, people felt city lighting was insufficient in areas and Mayor advised to make report with city clerk. Need to improve to prevent crime.

Rick Boyd was pleased to announce the condemnation and tear down of a long-abandoned house on 66<sup>th</sup> terrace.

A resident raised her concerns for the drought in Kansas and that we should not focus on irrigation and need to be more environmentally aware. Wanted to keep focus on the health of the trees in the city and address the canopy. Mayor reminded everyone that city has a full time arborist that protects the health and beauty of city trees and to use his services.

Meeting was adjourned 1 hour later to then listen to the Mayor's state of the city as well as presentations from our Chief of Police and other speakers. We were able to meet the city's new police dog.