

MINUTES
STRATFORD GARDENS BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
June 12, 2024

The Board of Directors of Stratford Gardens Homes Association met at 5:30 p.m. on June 12, 2024 at the home of Benny Lee.

Directors in attendance: Scott Cordes, Courtney Fadler, Brian Hand, Kristin Kratofil, Benny Lee, Steven Nestor, Maggie Shine, and Tom Suther.

Directors absent: Fred Wolferman

Maggie called the meeting to order at 5:36.

Security - Guest presentation

The meeting began with a presentation by guests Jim Vallance, Matt Walters, and Phillip Wolf concerning the possible addition of security cameras in Stratford Gardens. The speakers presented footage of robberies occurring in the neighborhood and asked the board to consider the use of part of the HOA reserves to reapply for a PIAC grant to install cameras on each (or most) streets on State Line and Ward Parkway throughout the neighborhood that would capture each vehicle entering the neighborhood in order to deter crime and assist KCPD in catching criminal behavior that does occur. Jim presented an option for a high resolution camera with a 10 year warranty that would communicate with KCPD. It was suggested that with the proposed cameras, the upper end of the initial costs would be \$62,291 for the purchase and installation of 16 cameras with a possible additional \$8,640 annual fee. Jim proposed that in a PIAC application, the HOA could offer to pay one half of the upfront cost out of its reserves and asked the Board to determine whether it would consider this expenditure before moving forward with more research and discussion. Several follow up questions were asked regarding police cooperation with camera data, the process for monitoring the camera and financial considerations, as well as what evidence exists as to how effective the cameras would be in identifying criminals if the cameras rely on cars and license plates which could be stolen and not attributable to the criminal. The Board thanked Jim, Matt and Phillip for sharing the information and agreed to review it and have a follow up meeting to further discuss in the next couple of weeks. The guests concluded and the remainder of the meeting went forward with Board members in attendance.

Social: Courtney requested approval to secure a food truck for the labor day neighborhood party and all agreed it was a good idea. Courtney departed the meeting at this time and the rest of the meeting took place with the remaining 7 directors.

Minutes: The minutes of the annual meeting were presented. Brian moved to approve them, Tom seconded the motion and the minutes of Annual Meeting held on May 6, 2024 were unanimously approved.

Financials: Maggie mentioned that she was told the financials would be fixed as noted in the annual meeting by the next quarter and noted that she would verify in July that all was in order.

Miscellaneous: The Directors next discussed having a dumpster day and Tom handed out the request form. It was agreed that this would be a useful and appreciated service. Kristin suggested coordinating it with a neighborhood garage sale and offered to find the signs for that. Maggie offered to look into a shredding day as well.

Election of Officers: The next order of business was to elect officers. The following officers were elected by unanimous consent:

President, Tom Suther. Motion made by Kristin and seconded by Steven.

Vice President, Brian Hand. Motion made by Tom and seconded by Maggie.

Secretary, Kristin Kratofil. Motion made by Tom and seconded by Maggie.

Treasurer, Maggie Shine. Motion made by Brian and seconded by Steven.

Islands: The Board then turned to the subject of island maintenance and who would take over in Mary Martin's absence. Scott Cordes volunteered to take the lead on the islands and obtain bids for companies that could do all services needed including mowing, planting, sprinkler maintenance, fountain maintenance and lights.

Tom then asked that the Board to review the information provided by Jim Vallance and submit any questions and then reconvene within 2 weeks to discuss next steps including creating a security committee.

There being no further business, Maggie moved to adjourn the meeting and Scott seconded the motion.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:44.