

MINUTES
STRATFORD GARDENS BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
October 24, 2024

The Board of Directors of Stratford Gardens Homes Association met at 5:30 p.m. on October 24, 2024 at the home of Tom Suther.

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

Directors absent: Steven Nestor

Call to order: Tom called the meeting to order at 5:35.

Labor Day Party and Dumpster Day

The meeting began with a recap of the Labor Day party. The Board acknowledged that it was very successful and that a few changes could be made next year to keep it fun including more kid friendly food and face painting. Brian offered to look into a less expensive alternative for the bounce house, and Courtney offered to see if there are road closures available through the HOA-KC. The Board noted that Dumpster Day was also successful although perhaps could be promoted more next year with signs around the neighborhood.

Island Maintenance

A discussion about island maintenance included the following:

- Fountains will be turned off and irrigation blown out soon.
- The tree at the island on 63rd and State Line will be replaced in the Spring and ideas for adding boulders or other border will be explored to prevent trucks from running over and damaging the sprinklers and other parts of the island.
- Either shortly before or after Thanksgiving, the Christmas tree will be installed.
- Brian shared the process for requesting speed humps and noted that it has become easier to obtain traffic calming than in the past.

Holiday Party

Tom reminded the Board that the holiday party will be hosted on December 7th at Mr. Nilsen's home and that he will discuss with Mr. Nilsen details of what the Board will provide with a budget of approximately \$2,000 and report back. Courtney noted that 2 notices will go out to neighbors to inform them.

Security

Brian noted that he has contacted Titan Security which provides private security in other neighborhoods as a potential alternative to the off duty KCPD security currently used. Questions were asked about the cost, response time, and scope of services. Brian will schedule a follow up meeting to discuss and report back.

The meeting concluded with a note that Tom will check with Beerman lawn service regrading the budget for shoveling and salt for the winter.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:26.