

Greenway Fields Homes Association
Approved Minutes of the Board of Directors
February 17, 2014

Attendance

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Jeanette LePique.

Board Members:

Present - Clem Helmstetter (out-going member; via phone link), Julie Nelson Meers(out-going member), Nola Devitt, Beth Noble, Cady Seabaugh, Jeanette LePique; Newly-elected: Matt Hanson, Sarah McCracken, Vern Stilwell, & Neil O'Connor.

Absent - Scott Kaiser

Committed Volunteers:

Present - Bob Deeg, David Slawson

Agenda

Agenda for February 17, 2014 meeting submitted by Clem Helmstetter and was approved, with the addition of discussion of CID roles and Streetcar proposal.

Old Business

Approve Meeting Minutes

Minutes from January 20,2014 Board of Directors meeting were approved with noted changes.

Financial Update

Clem reported Financials are in line with budget. Annual Breakfast Meeting was attended by approximately 80 residents @ \$750.00.

Church Billing - Assessment

Clem reported that 2 churches (Wornall Road Baptist and St. Andrews Episcopal) are in Greenway Fields but are not billed by Jackson County, therefore, collection of their "dues" needs to be directly billed to them. Clem suggests asking Clarence Foxworthy ("Fox") from Homes Association of Kansas City (HAKC) to bill for GFHA annually.

New Business

Welcome New Board Members

New members introduced, as well as committee coordinator volunteers. Clem recommends keeping monthly meetings to one hour. By-laws will be followed (allowed attendees,etc.).

Brief Description of Greenway Fields Homes Association (GFHA) & Greenway Fields Neighborhood Community Improvement District (GFNCID)

Clem briefly described GFHA & GFNCID, each with separate budgets and bank accounts.

GFHA - funded by annual assessment established by J C Nichols (\$8-\$12/home, yielding approximately \$3,450.00 for association), annual church assessments, newsletter advertising
-Board has 5-9 members, requiring at least 5 members for quorum. Board members elected at Annual meeting in January and meets monthly 10-12 times/year, usually 3rd Monday of month.
-non-legal activities (printing and mailing of newsletter, social events: annual meeting, summer picnic, 4th of July popsicle parade, holiday party).

GFNCID - 5 Board members (President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, District manager of District). By-laws state CID Board members must be members of GFHA Board. Meets 1-2 times/year. CID Board member terms based on date CID established (April 2009).
- a public entity and is bound by Sunshine Law and cannot discuss CID without posting 48 hours in advance in principal legal office. Must meet in public place.
- funded by assessments collected by Jackson County.
- expenditures are for items such as legal fees, landscaping, security, snow removal

Clem will summarize GFHA & GFNCID descriptions / duties (terms, budgets, deadlines, city council involvement, etc.) and forward to Board members.

Annual Conflict of Interest Policy

Policy distributed and to be signed by all Board members. To be returned by Jeanette.

New Roles

President - Matt Hanson (leadership, point of contact, resident communication)

Vice-President - Neil O'Connor (back-up president, plan meetings, agenda)

Social Event Coordinator: David Slason will report to Neil.

Treasurer - Sarah McCracken (financials, advertising billing)

Secretary - Jeanette LePique (meeting minutes)

Landscaping - Beth Noble

Security Liaison - Vern Stilwell

Communication Coordinator/FaceBook/Website - Cady Seabaugh

Block Captain Coordinator: Bob Deeg will report to Cady.

Newsletter/Advertising Coordinator - Nola Devitt

Exceptional Home Coordinator - Scott Kaiser

Holiday Decorating Contest: Beth Noble will assist.

CID Roles:

President - Matt Hanson

Vice-President - Neil O'Connor

Treasurer - Sarah McCracken

Secretary - Jeanette LePique

5th Officer - Scott Kaiser

Slate moved and unanimously approved. Cady suggests co-chairs to help Social Event Coordinator for each event, RSVP's, etc.

Landscape Update

Nothing to report from Beth.

Snow Plow Update

Beth reports that \$6,000.00 of the budgeted \$8,000.00 has been used thus far.

Tree Project with City

Beth reported city forester, Kevin LaPointe, has sent data to her and she will forward on to Cady.

Infant Swing in Strawn Park

Beth reported modifications on existing set-up will be necessary for addition of infant swing and will probably exceed \$500.00 previously approved by Board. Will discuss specific details at March meeting.

Communication Plan / HAKC Update / Email Opt-in

Cady will share with newly-elected Board members proposed communication plan and "welcome packet" from HAKC at March meeting.

Newsletter Advertisement 2014 Collections

Clem reminded Board to invoice and collect from advertisers. Current advertising rates are \$25/issue for 2"x2" space, however, if paid in advance price is \$20/issue (20% reduction). Nola will clarify current advertisers and open spaces.

April Newsletter

New Board members, article on proposed streetcar extension.

Street Car

GFHA resident, Greg Patterson, currently involved with Streetcar committee. He will be asked to share information with Board.

GFHA Centennial Planning for 2017

Proposed by Beth. To be headed by Neil and Beth.

Next Meeting and Location

Beth Noble will host March meeting, 426 Greenway. Date to be determined. Matt will schedule based on the date majority of members can attend. as a courtesy, Clem will set up Greenway Fields email accounts for new Board members prior to March meeting.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.