## COUNTRY CLUB DISTRICT HOMES ASSOCIATION

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

January 28, 2015

Present: Nina Hollabaugh, President

Hannah Fenley, Secretary Don McFarland, Treasurer

Mary Edwards Jonathan Kemper Judy Donnellan

Absent: Molly McGee, Vice President

The meeting opened with a Treasurer's Report and presentation of a preliminary 2015 budget by Don McFarland. Nina Hollabaugh was pleased to report that all association homeowners were current on dues at the end of 2014. The proposed 2015 budget reflected increased revenue in light of the increase in the Other Services Assessment approved by membership at the annual meeting. The board anticipates that actual expenses in several areas, including our largest expense of island maintenance, will come in under budget and concurred that money taken in but not spent will be moved to cash reserves. The board agreed that mailing a printed association newsletter remains a meaningful expenditure. Having reviewed all the major expenditures of our association, including the islands, the fountain, the annual dinner and the newsletter, the budget for 2015 was unanimously approved.

The dates for upcoming quarterly board meetings were reviewed and will stand at this time: Tuesdays April 14, July 14 and October 13. In light of excellent attendance and weather at the 2013 and 2014 Annual Dinner and Meeting, both of which were held in September, the board intends to hold the event in September of 2015. The specific date will be determined at the April meeting. Hannah Fenley and Judy Donnellen have volunteered to coordinate the event.

In the next item of business the board discussed ideas for neighborhood involvement. The first aspect of involvement discussed was neighborhood communication. As previously mentioned, the board is committed to continuing the printed newsletter as well as the email updates sent by our communications coordinator, Mary Edwards. Mary has approximately 250 recipients of the email updates, which include news regarding crime in the area, road closures for runs, and other timely and helpful information. Our association owes Mary many thanks for keeping us connected and informed with excellent information. The possibility of an association Facebook page was considered, but consensus was that many neighbors are using the free Next Door app and that this is sufficient at this time.

Another aspect of neighborhood involvement discussed was a previously mentioned possibility of neighbors adopting an island and helping to maintain and beautify it. Although neighbors would not be discouraged from helping with the islands, the board believed that the islands are in good shape at this time and benefit from the consistency of the services provided by Heinen. Special thanks go to Nina and Molly McGee for their communication with Heinen about our needs and wishes as well as our desire to control costs.

A final aspect of neighborhood involvement discussed led to a plan to hold a neighborhood meeting on the topic of security. Neighborhood security was discussed briefly at the annual meeting, including the pros and cons of hiring a security patrol. The board agreed that it would be valuable to invite neighbors to come together for a discussion around the topic. Mary will ask John Trainor, the KCMO officer familiar with our neighborhood, to serve as presenter. Hannah Fenley will make arrangements at Country Club Christian Church, which has offered us use of space free of charge. We aim to offer this meeting on a weeknight in early March.

Under New Business Nina mentioned that a neighbor had asked the board to deal with some neighbors who were not removing fallen leaves. Nina noted that when there is a significant concern, the Homes Association of Kansas City sends a letter on our behalf. The board determined that at this time we will utilize the newsletter to remind members of expectations of good neighbors, such as raking leaves and cleaning up after dogs. It was also noted that board members have received requests for support from people selling products and others running for political office. The board confirmed that is does not endorse candidates nor does it advertise.

The next meeting of the board is scheduled for 5:30 PM Tuesday, April 14, 2015.

Respectfully submitted, Hannah Fenley, Secretary