

## Tuesday, March 4th, 2014 VHHA Meeting Note

Present: Steve Emke, Doris Holderness, Ed McHardie, Joe Lewellen, Bill Munninghoff, Steve Stoecker, and Joe Davidson

Absent: Cathy Stoetzer (excused), Ben Nicely (excused), Ross Nigro (excused)

President Report:

Ed asked for an approval of the February minutes and complemented Joe Lewellen on the increased content. The motion was seconded by Steve Stoecker and passed unanimously.

Ben Nicely has elected to resign from his position. His reasoning was the workload at his job, his three children etc. he is willing to stay on as long as needed until the Board can find a replacement. He does wish to stay on the public works committee. Ed asked the Board if they knew anyone that might be interested in replacing him. Joe Davidson suggested contacting Brian O'Halloran.

Hopefully the snow removal is over or close to it. Cathy informed Ed that the newsletter is ready to go and the final copy had been distributed by email to the Board that day.

There is really nothing new to update regarding PIAC, Councilman Scott Taylor had told Ed last month that it would come up for a vote and it is now expected to happen as late as March 26. Scott Taylor had asked that nothing be put into the newsletter until the vote had passed but Ed thought there needed to be some type of mention in the newsletter. Proposed suggested wording has been submitted to Scott Taylor's and John Sharp's assistants for approval.

Joe Davidson had received a call this month regarding a disturbance in the 112<sup>th</sup> block of Summit. Ross had tried to call the number back several times with no response. The house is the last possible location on the northwest end abutting Foxcroft. Parsons didn't know anything about the situation and could not find any record of 911 calls. The phone call was received on a Saturday night and identified as a Foxcroft resident and that the police were there. It believed that this house is rented.

Regarding email distributions and the Zimbra system: Randy (Contractor), Doris and Joe are all working on setting up the notifications, instructions have been sent and Joe will review tomorrow and implement. It was also discussed how changes in email will be handled between Jamie of HAKC and Joe.

Ed asked about the lost dog that had been found by Chris Cotton. He was told that the owner was found prior to an email being sent out.

There was also a discussion about having multiple email addresses for the Board members using Verona Hills.Org. Joe Davidson explained the situation & possibilities. There was a group discussion and it was agreed that we would leave the situation alone at the moment. Joe Davidson discussed the newsletter and that he had had a couple suggestions and replied to Cathy. Why the e-mail addresses of the Board members were not listed? Joe explained why it was important that there be more photos and that the newsletter formatted with columns, shorter articles because the goal is to get residents to read and that 33% will read it for 30 minutes 33% will read it for three minutes and 33% will read it for 30 seconds. It is currently printed on black-and-white but he suggested in the future paper copies might benefit in color.

Joe then displayed the new website under construction. Demonstrated on his notebook and showed us the various menus and that this is a beta which can be reviewed by the Board online until it goes live. The target is to go live in late April. By the end of next week the back end of the website should be completed and at some point he would like to have the Board over to his house to review on a larger screen. Ed asked about what happens when there needs to be future changes? Will Cathy be able to administer and what degree of difficulty, whether it would be user-friendly. Joe explained that most of that should be all well received and that most of the work would be copying and pasting and simple formatting. The webmaster who was suggested by Bill Venable is the same one as the last time and he will update us again in a couple weeks on where they're at on the timeline.

Ed question of Joe regarding recognition of past presidents and there was some discussion of where some reference material could be located. Joe said he would contact "Mo" Courville who was a past Nichols executive during the time of the early Verona Hills development.

Joe also discussed whether or not the security information on the last page of the newsletter (information received from Brent Parson's was relative or if needed to be included. It was left up to further discussion. Ed brought up the watch program signs that are posted randomly throughout the subdivision and asked whether anything still exists and whether or not that would be a possibility. Ross Nigro distributed to the board by email a draft of the security agreement and that will be sent out to two or three companies for bids. Bill brought up the four hours segment timeframe, quality control was discussed and that off duty Kansas City Missouri policeman have a four-hour minimum shift and that is set by the city including the charge that is set. Doris brought up the fact that there should still be accountability post fact regardless if the schedule was not known beforehand. At one point Joe Davidson said we tried to partner with Timber Trace and we came close but maybe that's still is a possibility in the future, including Foxcroft.

Steve Stoecker discussed that the February financial documents should come in Tuesday the snow removal budget has been blown. He sent out demand letters (past due association dues) March 1 as required by the bylaws in order to secure a lien. There were six letters that went to Dreiling, Topchain, Moran, Liston, Mohajir and Herbert and that letter was sent out by attorney Rod Hoffman. The budget is coming up fiscal year June 1. Steve requested projected budgets from the Directors.

Bill Munninghoff updated Emerald Ash Borer situation, he has spoken with Kevin Lapointe of the Park and Recreation that the disease has been found in Jackson County. A bid was completed with Arbor Masters for lawn treatment of the 9 acres of Migliazzo Park (includes pre-emergent and fertilizer) which came in at a little over \$1200. The second application would also be approximately \$1200. At this point with the upcoming possible construction he suggested not to carry out at this time and hold it on the table. Only four of the 12 monuments in the subdivision are lighted and he has been researching extensively online and just this week received two new solar LED devices (800 lumens approximately 600 watts) includes a dimmer switch which allows for possibly holding overnight. They could be secured with a bolt to lumber and buried that would hopefully keep them from walking away. This would be a trial run.

The web hosting will be approximately \$25-\$30 a month for the new site. The overall budget for the website is approx. \$1000 for the design but it is on last year's budget. Cathy's report is attached.

Doris reported that she still needs volunteers for the Easter Egg Hunt and was also concerned that Cathy maybe did not have her correct email address. She would follow up and get that checked out. After the next Board meeting April 1<sup>st</sup> she asked that the Board help assist stuffing eggs. Doris asked Bill

Munninghoff to volunteer purchasing nine bags of candy at Costco. There was discussion about where a 10 x 10 tent could be obtained maybe from Tom Kenagy or Nancy Rousch. The event will be held Saturday April 12<sup>th</sup> there is a need for folding tables as well.

Next meeting April 1, 2014, 7:00 p.m. at Ed McHardie's residence.

Ed motioned to adjourn 8:39 PM Doris seconded and approved unanimously.