

Countryside Homes Association ANNUAL Meeting Minutes for 4/26/2011, 7:00pm CST

Meeting took place at Tighe Hall at Visitation Church

Those in attendance:

Joe Grego, Terry Rodeghier, Jim Kraus, Kyle Kelly, Mike O'Neill, Kathy Arthur, Mario Vasquez

6:00pm – Social Hour

7:00pm- Terry Rodeghier introduced the Board Members and the agenda for the evening's meeting.

Also in attendance was Jan Marcuson.

7:05pm Historic District Update presented by Brad Wolfe – Brad is with the KCMO Planning Department and gave details on the expansion of the Historic District for Countryside. Brad provided information including the differences between the National Register and the Local Register. Local District requires approval for any significant changes to a property. National District is an honorary designation which comes from the National Park Service. Hand outs were distributed to provide additional information. Our designation is on the National Level and is less restrictive than the Local Designation.

7:10pm Safety presented by Officer Brent Parsons – Officer Parsons administers our Enhanced Security Detail. He provided a detailed statistical report on crime in the area covering the time period of Jan 2010 through December 2010. In summary, crime rates did not increase over that time. He also provided many tips on how to avoid becoming a target for crime and took questions from the crowd. The basic message: lock your property, light your property, and do not leave valuables in plain sight. And be vigilant. Call the police if you see anything that looks even a little bit odd.

7:45pm – General Activities - Terry presented the upcoming agenda for neighborhood events. This includes the Neighborhood Garage Sale, Dumpster Day, Annual Picnic, etc....These events are reserved for those residents that are current with dues.

7:50pm Treasurer's Report from Mario Vasquez – Mario provided our balance sheet information and explained out monthly and annual expenses. Also discussed were our sources of income including dues, event sponsorships, etc...Also discussed was the amount of delinquent dues and that we will begin publishing the addresses of those neighbors whom are delinquent.

8:00pm – Maintenance & Beautification Update – Terry provided an update on the subject including the status of our anticipated improvements and projects. Also touched upon was the PIAC process.

8:10pm Elections Votes were taken on the following measures:

1. Motion to continue the same annual dues amount and allocate the new funds previously designated to the expiring maintenance fund to a new "Discretionary Fund" out of which we will cover unanticipated expenses including snow plowing, increased security or other items not included in the budget currently. This would be a 3 year proposition. Motion Approved and will be reviewed for re-election in 2014. Also moved to disclose any expenditures from the discretionary fund. Disclosure will be made public via Newsletters and emails.
2. Board Members with expiring terms were up for re-election. Those board members were Jim Kraus, Kathy Arthur, and Mike O'Neill. All three were re-elected for 3 more years, until 2014.

8:15pm Q&A – Those in attendance were given the opportunity to pose questions and suggestions to the board. One suggestion was to add important phone numbers to our newsletters. These important numbers include but are not limited to the following: MGE, Time Warner Cable, Police non-emergency, KCMO Water Service, etc...

8:20pm – Meeting Adjourned

Next Meeting – Tuesday, May 17th, 2011. Minsky's on Main @ 7:00pm.

Joe Grego, Loyal Secretary, Countryside Homes Association.