

Countryside Homes Association Monthly Meeting Minutes for 8/1/2012, 7:05pm CST. Meeting took place at Minsky's on Main Street. Those in attendance: Joe Grego, Mario Vasquez, Kathy Arthur, Terry Rodeghier, Kyle Kelly, Mike O'Neill

7:07pm- Terry Rodeghier called the meeting to order.

7:09pm - Safety Report – Kathy Arthur provided the update. There have been some thefts from vehicles in the neighborhood and one neighbor actually caught the crime on video. The police and our enhanced security team are aware of the increase. This summer, perhaps due to the excessive heat, we have not seen significant problems arising from activity at Loose Park. The message remains the same. Lock your vehicles and do not leave possessions in plain sight.

7:15pm – Communications Update – September Newsletter going out on or around September 15th, 2012. Let's contribute photos and articles for Terry. Google Fiber would be a good topic to present. Upcoming events will also be included.

7:24pm – Social/Seasonal - Picnic has been set for Saturday, September 22nd. Everything has been ordered and scheduled. We would like to solicit the help of an adult volunteer to organize kids' activities. We decided to ask our neighbor, Maria Sullivan, to see if she would be interested. Question: Do we offer contests and prizes for the kids' activities? Let's give Maria a budget of \$250 for this. Our annual Picnic budget is \$2,500. Still discussing neighborhood movie night. Joe G will research. **Dumpster Day** – City picks up yard waste on November 9, 2012 so let's target October 20, 2012 for our next Dumpster Day. Also being considered is whether to have three dumpsters or four. Mario will check on this. Dumpsters are \$65/ea. and in the past have been sponsored by Jim Kraus of Brookside Real Estate, Kyle Kelly of Kelly's Bar & Mike O'Neill of Oak Star Bank.

7:35pm – Maintenance – Islands – According to our Landscaping Firm, The Yard Barber of KC, our roses on the island located at 52nd and Brookside Blvd have become infected with disease. We must consider complete removal and replacement of these plants and will wait for more direction from the Yard Barber prior to making our decision. Regarding the island at Westover and Wyandotte, neighbor Ron Pence has been watering this island this summer using water from his home. Discussion ensued regarding waiving Ron's HOA dues for the year in consideration for the water expense but no decision was reached.

7:45pm – Finance Report – Provided by Mario Vasquez – we currently have \$82,000 in the bank and have paid roughly \$3,500 in bills this month. Mostly towards enhanced security and landscaping.

7:50pm – Development -

1. Bryant School – No new news on this subject but the property is going to be listed for sale by a Broker soon. Should we form a committee to weigh in on the progress of this subject?
2. 51st and Brookside Blvd – Whole Foods is going forward with a location at this site. Details to follow as they become available.
3. 51st and Main – No new news on when they will begin to break ground.
4. Traffic Study – This is in the process of being done by GBA and KCMO. KCMO is counting the vehicles and providing the data to the city's contractor conducting the study (GBA). Terry Rodeghier will set a meeting with Glover and Jan Marcusson to discuss our position.
5. STA's – adjustments are being made to the score board at the insistence of some neighbors.

8:38pm – Old Business/New Business – 5433 Wornall has become an eye sore and remains a problem for lack of upkeep and maintenance. We might need a specific person to keep up on these properties that aren't being maintained and/or co-op with KCMO in policing offenders and to help get KCMO moving towards resolving the issue. Capital Improvements were something we agreed to conduct with the funds realized from our temporary dues increase allocated for beautification. As a Board, we agree to focus our efforts on “Markers” for the neighborhood. We will begin to do our homework and will report back. The Trees on Main Street - have been significantly over-trimmed by the contractor for KCPL. Kathy will have a dialogue with her contacts and report back on how to either correct the problem going forward and/or to look for compensation and/or cooperation in a resolution. More to follow.

8:45pm – Meeting Adjourned

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, August 15th, 2012 @ 7:00pm @ The Beacon on Main.
Joe Grego, Loyal Secretary, Countryside Homes Association.