

Countryside Homes Association Board of Directors

September 13, 2016, 7:00PM

Minutes

The meeting of the board of directors was called to order by President Jason Pryor at 7:09 pm. Members in attendance: Jason Pryor, Mitch Burgess, Kathy Arthur, Katy Martin and Jim Kraus

Finance: Evan Stange provided August financials by email, and noted that several payments on over-due dues have been paid. A letter has been drafted to send to remaining overdue accounts.

Communications Committee: Online newsletter to include information regarding the July 4th parade, Annual Picnic, Dumpster Days, and all known dates for 2016-17 (garage sale, dumpster days, annual meeting, Easter egg hunt, etc.). This should be going out soon.

Social: Katy Martin provided detailed review of picnic. Included in recommendations for next year include adding additional tables for Mark Blanck for food, providing recycling receptacles, and ensure that copy of vendors insurance has been submitted to HAKC earlier. We will also need to budget to allow for more attendant to monitor the inflatables. We will also begin the process to get street closure earlier and close the street closer to 2pm for set-up.

Dumpster Day is scheduled for October 1. We will be asking for volunteers to help run the event but everything is scheduled for that day. This will include dumpsters, Good Will and a scrapper.

Our 2017 Annual Meeting is scheduled for the Tuesday of Holy Week (April 11). Visitation Church has approved the date, knowing that it is occurring during that week.

Easter Egg hunt is scheduled for Sat. April 15 th .

Safety: Our reports may change as the KCPD has eliminated the community officer role.

Maintenance:

Mitch Burgess discussed that we will be accepting new bids for landscaping and maintaining our current beds at the beginning of 2017. Jason Pryor will double check with snow removal company to ensure that we have a contract for this winter.

New Business:

Kathy Arthur will be meeting with Christine Bushyhead, an attorney for Mike Nigro, next week regarding "Friends of Main Street" PIAC request.

Flooding at Brookside Blvd and 55th/56th: This is not scheduled to be addressed for several years. The neighbors have submitted a PIAC request for this to be addressed. Several houses had multiple feet of flooding in their basements.

Problem properties: Continue to report to 311 if there are properties that are not up to code.

Trees for Main Street: Discussion of number of trees that need to be replaced along Main Street. Consider investigating grants or city funding to replace trees that have been lost in recent years.

Old Business:

Bryant School Blight: The continually declining condition of the property, both buildings and grounds, of Bryant School was discussed. Jason Pryor attended a meeting with SPNA and CC District Homes Association and school board members to finalize a solution. Jason reported that there are several priorities including: new lights, fixing fences and windows and taking out the old street posts off of Westover. A PIAC application with adjoining neighborhoods is being discussed to try to improve the sidewalks, remove old poles and sewer

grates. Planning for a fall “Clean Up” volunteer morning in conjunction with the KC school board. Continuing to work on a date for clean-up

54th and Westover intersection. Per Kathy Arthur, the presentation to the Kansas City Parks committee was approved. Continuing to work on the budget with the contractor. Expected completion in spring 2017.

Per Mitch Burgess, Snugbro park improvements have been investigated. A plumber has been out once and Mitch arranged to have him return. There is a plumbing leak in the plumbing under the driveway at 1 East 54ths Street leading to the park. The adjacent neighbors are considering replacing their driveway. At that time, we can discuss fixing the plumbing.

A tree will be planted honoring Terry and Nadine Rodeghier, the tree has been picked out. This will be planted this fall once the park renovations are complete.

PIAC: There have been several requests for PIAC funding. Consider prioritizing the list for next year to focus our efforts towards the most important areas of the neighborhood.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:01 pm.

Respectfully Submitted. Katy Martin, Social