

CountrySide Homes Association Board of Directors
Minutes
Tuesday, January 10, 2017, 7 PM

The meeting was called to order by President, Jason Pryor at 7:00 pm.

Members present: Jason Pryor, Kathleen Arthur, Katy Martin, Mitch Burgess, Jill McGee

Members Absent: Jim Kraus, Evan Stange

Approval of minutes 11/15/16 meeting.

Standing committee reports

- Finance – Evan Stange was absent, but sent the following synopsis-Our current reserves are at \$10,000 below last year's reserves at this time, but we are still in great shape. This is primarily due to island plantings being developed and installed. Our general expenses continue to be in line with budget.
- Communications – Evan Stange/Jason Pryor – A newsletter was emailed to homes in early January. News for the next newsletter will be compiled and notification of the annual meeting will be sent in the next issue.
- Social – Katy Martin brought forth the following information.
 - Proposed annual meeting agenda needs to be set and sent to members in advance of meeting
 - Food for Annual Meeting will be tweaked to provide a more child-friendly option. Mark has proposed mac and cheese/chicken fingers for kids; pasta and salad for adults
 - Babysitting will be arranged again this year
 - garage sale will be held on the same date as Wornall Homestead's. Date to be determined and communicated to members
 - Insurance rider from HAKC to Visitation has been requested to cover the Annual Meeting
 - \$250 deposit for Visitation + an additional \$150 for use of space. This covers set up, clean up, parking, etc.
 - Katy has already reserved Visitation for the 2nd Tuesday in April in 2018
 - Annual Easter Egg hunt will be held on Saturday after this year's Annual (April 15)
 - Katy has reserved the STA Courtyard again for 2018 Easter Egg hunt
 - Dumpster Days--Due to upcoming construction on the STA campus, we may want to move this event to Visitation parking lot. We will discuss further at a future meeting.
- Safety – Kathy Arthur
 - Kathy noted that we have new contacts and changes in the administration at Metro Patrol. Concerns about police response time continue to be an issue.
- Maintenance – Mitch Burgess
 - a. Mitch commented that obtaining new bids for island upkeep are difficult to get from contractors. Several options were discussed, and the board encouraged Kathy and Mitch to work with Canopy on maintenance issues.
 - b. We will be asking Supreme Green to help design new island and upgrade design of existing islands. Two bids were finally obtained, and due to expertise and experience, Mitch will negotiate price with Supreme Green for island design work.
 - c. Kathy expressed concern regarding the need to supervise those who work on islands and neighbors may be needed to help with upkeep of plants

New business

- Bond proposal for infrastructure – Discussion ensued regarding hosting/co-hosting a community meeting. We will watch to see when an appropriate time to do this might be.
- Review of snow plow contract--John Smith joined the board and discussed the current plowing contract. Members expressed their gratitude to him for the service he provides Countryside HA
- Upcoming construction on the St. Teresa's Academy property was discussed, including creating an opportunity for the President of STA to talk with neighbors about the work. This may create an opportunity for CountrySide to relocate its Dumpster Day to another large parking space (Visitation?)

Old business

- Date for dedication of tree/placement of plaque for Terry and Nadine Rodeghier – Jill has obtained the plaque, and board decided to wait to dedicate until weather is nice and tree has spring foliage.
- Bryant - Mitch attended a meeting at Nick & Jake's with members of Wornall Homestead and Countryside neighbors. Issues of maintenance of property were discussed, as wer long term plans for the property. He noted that there may be another school moving into the Bryant property, but that most "information" right now is speculative.
- Board recommended that he contact the school board property representative and suggest a 2nd walk-through. He will go through the original checklist of items the school district promised to address, and ask school district to make improvements in a reasonable timeframe.

Sgt Robbie McLaughlan from 20 sector joined the board and discussed our area. He asked for feedback and suggestions on how to improve communication. Sgt. McLaughlan noted that extra patrols can be requested when problems arise, and they will last for up to 2 weeks.

The Board of Directors had an in-depth discussion regarding how best to communicate with nextdoor app, email, US mail, etc.

Discussion ensued about who to invite to speak at annual meeting April 11. Jason and Katy will coordinate.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jill McGee
Secretary