

May 21, 2019

Minutes of the Country Side Homes Association Board Meeting

In attendance:

Officers:

Jason Pryor, President
Mitch Burgess, Vice President
Evan Stange, Treasurer
Season Burnett, Secretary

Directors:

Jim Kraus
John Legg

Absent:

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Jill McGee

President Jason Pryor called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

The minutes for the 2019 annual neighborhood association meeting & the March board meeting were reviewed and approved.

GUEST SPEAKERS:

SPIRE GAS – Andrew Johnson (Regional Customer Service Coordinator), Ike Mathews (Construction Manager, 816-260-3503), Peggy Burns-Yocum (Engineer), John Strauss (Right-of-Way Representative)

TOPIC: Proposed use of Bryant Elementary grounds as a staging site for upcoming spire gas projects

Spire is undertaking a “very aggressive” pipeline main replacement program – 250 miles of gas mains in total. The Spire reps shared maps showing the project areas (if a CSHA resident would like to see one, please contact Jason). Internal crews will do the gas line work, not outside contractors (except with regard to concrete work – Moaz Inc. does that). Two crews will be working in our area over the next year on simultaneous projects. There will be a foreman for each crew; a supervisor oversees the foremen; & Ike Mathews oversees the supervisors. Gas mains will be replaced throughout the project areas. Depending on the age of affected residents’ gas meters, Spire may also be replacing the gas line to the residence & the meter.

If an agreement can be reached for Spire to use space at Bryant, Spire would use the north (at Westover & Wornall) parking lot, not the 57th Street paved area. Typical activity times: 7am – 5pm, Mon – Sat. Equipment to be stored on-site: borer, pipe, trailers, backhoes, vans, vehicles, mobile office. Spire has two off-duty KCPD officers & Jackson Co. sheriffs monitoring their all staging sites (unmarked cars visiting 2-3 times a day); they also use closed-circuit security cameras.

As the project sites are almost entirely north of the CSHA border, Jason queried whether an arrangement could be made for Spire to use the parking lot owned by Van Trust at 49th & Main Street for the first six months & the Bryant site for the remaining six months. The Spire reps were agreeable to looking into that. No specifics have been offered by Spire yet re particular improvements planned at Bryant in exchange for using the site, possible amount of rent which could be paid to KCPS, etc.

Spire hopes to begin staging & work within 30 days.

TREASURER'S REPORT (EVAN STANGE)

- Final amount spent on snow & ice removal this past winter: \$7,860 (\$3,815 was budgeted).
- CSHA is \$4,740 over budget for security services.
- \$1,100 was spent on legal & tax services – dealing with short-term rentals, etc.
- Season reported regarding the recent HA-KC presidents' luncheon (topic: collection of delinquent dues).

SOCIAL

- Upcoming Summer events:
 - May 25th Dumpster Day, solicitation of volunteers
 - Season, John, Mitch, Evan will be able to help
 - No Goodwill truck at our site; they'll be at the West Plaza dumpster day. We'll try to find another donations collector to take Goodwill's place.
 - We will hopefully have a metal recycling guy
 - 4th of July parade
 - Autumn picnic
- CSHA Garage Sale Weekend (May 18 & 19) recap:
 - The CSHA signs posted at neighborhood entrances looked good
 - We should do a better job next year posting online in advance about the garage sale, also reach out to neighbors one month prior next year to find out who's going to have a garage sale, etc.

MAINTENANCE (MITCH BURGESS)

- The new landscaping contractor (Soil Service) will begin work on the Main Street islands in the coming week.

NEW BUSINESS

- Evan will send a thank-you to the CSHA resident who donated extra funds in his dues payment along with a nice note which the board very much appreciated! 😊
- CSHA is one of the sponsors of the 4th district mayoral forum to be held on June 9th ; as such, we're entitled to bring to the forum a person who can ask two questions. Jeff Levine has volunteered to be CSHA's representative.

OLD BUSINESS

- There was a general review of the annual meeting, ideas for next year's meeting.

With no other business to attend to, the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Season Burnett
Secretary