

Approved Greenway Fields Homes Association
Minutes of the Board of Directors
November 21, 2016

Attendance

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m. at the home of Jeanette LePique, 6418 Wornall Terr.

Board Members:

Present - David Slawson, Nola Devitt, Bob Deeg, Nikki Crawford, Sarah McCracken, Beth Noble, Jeanette LePique

Non-Board Member: Resident Sharon Murray

I. Agenda

Agenda for November 21, 2016 meeting submitted and unanimously approved with the addition of discussion of Emerald Ash Borer under Old Business.

II. Old Business

- A. October Meeting Minutes unanimously approved.
- B. Traffic Light installation/Wornall Road beds restoration - Jeanette
Jeanette reported on bid received from Soil Service (\$2,837) for the six beds disrupted by Mark One with the traffic installation and will forward on to Mark One. Motion to approve was seconded and unanimously approved.
- C. Variance for 63rd Street resident garage - Beth
Beth reported that the case was dismissed due to withdrawal of the variance request.
- D. Meyer Circle Fountain - Jeanette
Jeanette attended a meeting of a newly created bi-state initiative for the restoration of the fountain on November 2, 2016 as the GFHA representative. Representatives from neighboring HOA's in Kansas City and Mission Hills are working with City of KC and City of Fountains Foundation in a public-private collaboration for the project, with hopes of the fountain operating in 2017. Sarah will check on possibility of contribution from either CID or GFHA. Jeanette will update Board with any new information. Beth stated she would like to donate to fountain project as a private citizen.
- E. Emerald Ash Borer - Nola
Nola brought a notice from KC Parks that was placed on doors of properties that have Ash trees in city right-of-way (easement), informing residents that the trees will be maintained and treated by the city and instructed residents NOT to perform any treatment in an effort to contain the EAB. The city will be asked to treat the two trees in Greenway Fields Park. Nola made a motion to rescind the previous vote of spending any GFHA money on easement tree treatment, David seconded, **vote was taken to unanimously approve.**

III. New Business

- A. President's Update - David
David requested all newsletter articles to be turned in to Nikki.
- B. Working cooperatively/Obstructing mission of the Board - David led a discussion about importance of Board members working cooperatively. This is in response to several emails Beth as sent recently to the Board that seemed to be contradicting actions the Board has recently taken, particularly in regards to spending. The Board discussed ways to proactively communicate with each other. Sarah motioned that, in the future, if any member of the Board provides suggestions or information, that he or she will clearly state if it is an opinion or a requirement based on specific

reference(s), including a copy of the reference if there is one. **A vote will be taken on this motion at next Board meeting.**

C. Leaf pick-up - Nola

Nola was approached by resident to investigate a group leaf pick-up. Board wishes to take no action since many residents have private pick up and the city provides two pick-ups in Fall.

D. Recruiting new board members - Nola

According to the By-Laws, the GFHA Board is made up of 5 - 9 members.

The seven Board members were asked their plans for next term, beginning in March:

Beth will remain for the one year left of her term;

Bob will remain for the one year left of his term;

Nikki will resign at the completion of one-year;

Nola will complete her 2-year term and will not seek re-election;

David and Jeanette are undecided about their plans when terms complete;

Sarah undecided about completing her last year.

Nola will send a MailChimp to solicit new Board members. David proposes amending the By-Laws so candidates are running for a position (i.e. President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary...).

Nola requests that departing members work toward a seamless transition and transfer all information to new Board.

E. Holiday Party planning - Nola

Holiday party will be Sunday, 12/4/16, 5-7 p.m., at David's. Caterer from Michael Forbes restaurant has given a bid of \$400 for appetizers for 70 people. Nola will send MailChimp with party details to residents.

F. Holiday Lighting contest - Nola

Nola has signs for category winners. Nikki will put categories in newsletter and Bob and Sarah will judge.

G. Crime Statistics - Jeanette

Deferred until next meeting.

H. Treasurer's Update - Sarah

Budget is on track. Newsletter advertising income due in January. Soil Service invoice payment (Grounds Maintenance) has been delayed for billing clarification. Sarah researching correct invoice amount before payment.

I. Centennial Planning - Nola and Beth

Survey - Nola summarized October 2016 survey with 58 respondents.

Beth will take on the street marker tile project through the city. Jeanette requested that if any funds are needed from GFHA, Board must pre-approve.

J. Lawn / Landscape - Nola

1. Water issues in Greenway Fields Park. Consultants have highly recommended not to move the statues more than once. They are over 75 years old and have never been covered.

Park terrain will be damaged with equipment required to lift, then replace. It has been recommended to have a hydrologist evaluate source of standing water. Engineering and landscaping firm of Shafer, Kline, and Warren can work with city to test/evaluate. Michael Otto from "Artworks KC" can excavate, move, clean, and re-set statues. Nola presented a **five-point Proposed Plan for Greenway Fields Park** and motioned for passage of plan, noting that no expense will be incurred without Board approval. **A vote was taken** and Motion passed with unanimous approval. A second, **four-point Proposed Plan for Greenway Fields Island** at 62nd Ter & Pennsylvania was presented by Nola as a proposed course of action. Nola motioned, and **Board voted unanimously** in favor, that

Board will spend up to \$250 to get a more detailed plan from Don Archer and if estimated cost is more than \$250, Board must be contacted.

2. Increasing budget for next year
Sarah will look at adjusting CID budget and increasing allocation for landscaping by January 30th, 2017 budget submission deadline.
 3. Mosquito issue - majority of residents want to treat Greenway Fields Park and Island.
Treatment recommended to begin in May and will be deferred to next Board.
- K. Newsletter Update - Nikki
Target mailing is December 1st. Nikki will include summary of October survey results. MailChimp has 315 email addresses but only five responses.
- L. Website / Communication - Bob
Nola and Bob will update website with Meeting Minutes and newsletters, as well as HAKC website
- M. GFHA Calendar - Jeanette
No December meeting. Annual Meeting will be February 22, 2017, with breakfast at 8:30 and meeting 9-10:00.

IV. Next Board meeting January 16, 2017

The next meeting will be at Sarah McCracken's, 450 W. 62nd Ter.

V. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:41 p.m.