

**Prairie Village Homes Association  
Annual Association Meeting  
February 17, 2010 Prairie Village Community Center**

The meeting was called to order at 7:04PM. President Ian Bartalos presided.

**Attended:** Bill Chinnery, Mark Eddy, Susan Forrest, Logan Gerken, Joel Hanish, Jori Nelson, Ron Nelson, Steve Noll, Susan Spencer & Ashley Weaver.

**Guest:** Dennis Enslinger

**President's Report.** Ian Bartalos acknowledged that several members were unhappy that this meeting fell on Ash Wednesday. Ian apologized for the oversight and assured that we will plan better in the future. Ian highlighted the year's accomplishments and detailed our expenditures. We established a "rainy day" fund and spent money to create a better looking community through island beautification and El Monte fountain restoration. The fountain project cost us \$19,000, half of the total cost, and is considered a 2 year project. We donated money to Village Fest. We paid the Homes Associations of Kansas City for administrative support. We purchased letter head stationary. Future goals are to collect delinquent dues, to deliver our newsletter electronically, to be a presence at the PV Art Fair, to revive our picnic, to deliver "welcome baskets" to our new members, to host an event to commemorate the fountain restoration and to explore facilitating leaf vacuuming. Ian acknowledged some members concerns over rental properties. Ian thanked Susan Forrest for her work producing our newsletter. Ian reminded us that our Board Meetings will now be on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of every other month beginning in March at Faith Lutheran Church.

**Treasurer's Report.** Joel Hanish presented our financial report. We are in good shape with \$91,000 in assets. We have \$75,000 in retained earnings and are budgeting to break even.

**Guest Speaker.** PV Assistant City Administrator, Dennis Enslinger presented information on the new trash collection system that goes into effect May 9, 2010. These changes will be county wide and are in line with the Johnson County Solid Waste Plan. Each home will be provided with two roller carts. One 65 gal. cart for recyclables and a choice of one 35 or 65 gal. cart for solid waste. These carts may be stored outdoors. The City would like to see them screened from view. Yard waste must be in paper bags, bundled with twine or in reusable 35 gal. cans. Yard waste will be limited to 8 bags, bundles or cans per week from November through July. The limit increases to 12 from August through October. Additional bags, bundles or cans will require a sticker that can be purchased from Eustons or Westlake Hardware Stores, the city of Prairie Village or Dephenbaugh. The City will not profit from selling stickers. If these limits on yard waste prove to be unrealistic, the City may increase them based on public demand. The City is not considering a vacuum system for collecting leaves. Our collection routes and days may change. Compost may be made available to us at Franklin Park in the spring and fall. These changes are an effort to hold down Dephenbaugh's costs and to encourage recycling. The City plans an informational meeting in March and will inform citizens by postcard as to the date, time and location.

Dennis informed us that the Countryside East Homes Association (CEHA) is working to establish home design standards. They sent members a survey along with their annual dues statements. Dennis will provide us with a copy of that survey. Dennis predicts that CEHA's efforts will raise this issue city wide.

Dennis informed us that Lane 4, owners of the PV and Corinth Shopping Centers, wants to designate these shopping centers as Community Improvement Districts. This would allow Lane 4 to collect additional sales tax on purchases made there. These funds would then be used for improvements to these districts.

**Public Forum.** Steve Noll noted that trimming curb line trees was a good idea that came from our homes association. PVHA began a service that the City has now taken over and expanded city wide. Steve advised that code violations can best be addressed by the PV Codes Officer. Steve suggested that by assisting our elderly neighbors with leaf removal we can build neighborhood cohesiveness. Steve offered to help us present our ideas to the City Council. Bill Chinnery presented history on a poorly maintained property that he formally lived next to. He expressed his frustration over the City's inability to force the homeowner to clean up the property and believe that he sold his house for \$10,000 less than he could have because of that neighboring property. Bill believes that the cost of the El Monte fountain repair should have been shared by all homes associations. Bill reminded us that the fountain was originally placed in honor of our 1<sup>st</sup> mayor and wants an improved plaque to include that information. Ian Bartalos will communicate Bill's plaque request with the City. Bill questioned why members mailing labels appeared on the back of their absentee ballots. Ian responded that it is so we could verify that only members in good standing were casting votes. Mark Eddy suggested that we create our own grant program. Mark suggested that we reimburse homeowners 5-10% on a \$5,000-\$10,000 home improvement investment. Mark asked when the website would be brought up to date. Ron Nelson responded that he is working on it.

**Election of Directors.** Ian Bartalos, Andrea Ernst, Susan Forrest and Susan Spencer were re-elected for another term.

**Adjournment.** Ian Bartalos called for adjournment. There was no objection. The meeting adjourned at 8:08PM.

Submitted by, Susan Forrest, Secretary