

PHOA BOARD MEETING Minutes, April 17, 2023

Attendees – Board members Becky, Carl, Chris, Christine, Jim, Judy, Julie, Karin, Kris and Stephen

The meeting was called to order at 7:09 PM.

As the first order of business, the meeting agenda was approved with one addition, and the previously distributed updated minutes of the March meeting were approved. Thereafter, the Board adjourned to Executive Session at 7:10 pm and reconvened the Board meeting at 7:13 pm.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

It was noted that reports had been sent out in advance.

ACC – Jim reported on a recently sold house and the improvement from a proposed repainting, commented that a months'-long parked car had been removed, and noted that residents should call the Humane Society to complain about barking dogs. He indicated that one barking complaint involved a residence not in the HOA, described a discussion with an owner about a camping trailer and its subsequent relocation, commented about the disallowance of a perimeter fence (if moved in from the lot line and used for containment it may be allowed), noted an upcoming letter issuance to resident involving branches and debris and the need to involve the fire warden, and described approved landscaping. Jim agreed to follow up with a resident leaving trash cans on the street other than on pick-up day.

Communications – Discussion ensued about the fire education session in conjunction with the chipper program, which will be run beginning on May 1 and July 31, and the issuance of a NewsBlast to remind homeowners to sign up for the May 1 pick-up. Jim left the meeting at 7:24 pm.

Stephen commented that there had been no NewsBlasts or Connections during March, and noted that a Connections had just been issued with the food truck schedule, Cool Beads ice cream social in conjunction with a July food truck Tuesday, and Movie Night. It was agreed that Carl would post signs for Chipper Week sign-up once the NewsBlast had been issued and that Christine would contact Jeff about posting this information on the HOA website. She commented that this posting would auto-populate on the HOA Facebook page.

The Board also discussed Dumpster Day on June 5 between 11 am – 2 pm, including the posting of signage at the HOA entrances. In regard to the garage sale the preceding weekend, it was agreed that any promotion would be by participants.

Parks and Wildlife – Following a welcome to Chris Kornmesser, he commented that he would inspect the park and in particular the awning to determine if any wood needs to be replaced. He also reminded everyone that rattlesnake season is starting.

Finance – Kris indicated that he would be asking the Board for formal approval of the revised budget, which reflected adjustments in area such as safety and the reduced insurance premium for the policy year beginning in September. He indicated that all money movements between the HOA's bank accounts for membership had been completed. Kris described the cost of the credit card processing fees of 3.6% or \$3,900 in total, which was less than the \$10 increase in membership fees. It was agreed that later this year the Board would consider the appropriate approach for handling this convenience fee in future years. He described HOA account balances and agreed to explore interest-bearing options for those funds not needed immediately with the HOA's bank of account, and commented on near-term HOA expenses. Following discussion, it was agreed that Kris would send an email to the Board regarding the interest-bearing options and would request a vote on the recommended approach.

Membership and Trash - Julie noted that the trash fees are flat for this first year of the recently-approved three-year contract (March 1 – February 28/29) and that per the contract GFL would be able to raise fees up to 4% in each of years 2 and 3, and observed that fees had not been raised in 3 years. She commented that any concerns about the \$10 increase in membership fees had been discussed at length during the Annual Meeting.

Becky commented on the HOA's approach to making non-participating residents aware of the savings with the GFL group trash contract. She described the use of a postcard and the proposed wording; it was agreed that it would make sense to use the same printer that the HOA uses for the newsletter. Following discussion, it was agreed that at the next meeting the names of non-participants would be divided among Board members so that postcards could be hand-delivered.

Social – Karin reported that she would present three movie options for Movie Night at an upcoming Board meeting, and indicated that she has the DVDs. She indicated that all food truck slots had been filled for summer 2023, commented on the arrangement with Cool Beads for July 18 whereby this purveyor would provide up to 400 cups at the same price as last year (budgeted at \$450). She described the arrangement with Pops Popcorn for Movie Night, noted that this vendor was keeping prices unchanged, and suggested that the Board may want to consider additional offerings by Pops. She also noted another option would be a coffee truck for a fire mitigation session.

Traffic and Public Safety – Carl commented on the 10 police events last month, the patrol request for May, and described the Neighborhood Watch program where neighbors watch out for their neighbors. In that regard he offered to act as facilitator if there is interest. He agreed to contact Jeff about setting up folders for crime prevention and neighborhood watch information on the HOA website. Discussion ensued about interest in bringing the Falcon outreach officer to address the HOA during a Saturday morning on crime prevention, neighborhood watch and homeless; another option discussed would be a speaker at the annual meeting or at a block party that would be initiated by the HOA. The consensus was that this would be a good topic for the Annual Meeting, which would once again be held at the gazebo in Pinecliff Park.

Development – Becky commented on foundation work near the cliff at the beginning of Point of the Pines, and briefed the Board on other development in the area and traffic congestion with current and proposed businesses such as In and Out Burger, apartments near Red Lake brewery, and Amazon last mile distribution center. Discussion ensued about particular proposed developments and the role of the HOA. In that regard, Becky indicated that she will provide guidance on approaches for residents to present a case to the city, but there was consensus about the role of the Board vis-à-vis individual citizen issues.

Other Business

Christine described the prior weekend's Great American Clean-up and Board member support. She also commented on the homeless in the 'kiln' area and ongoing reporting to the police and encouraged HOA residents to continue reporting these homeless situations. She also urged residents to report dumping on private property to Code Enforcement.

Discussion continued about the contents of the upcoming Newsletter, including safety articles, a message from the President, Dumpster Day, chipper week sign-up and social activities. Target release is early May.

There being no further business, following motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 8:38 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith K. Benson