

## PHOA BOARD MEETING Minutes, July 12, 2021

Attendees – Carl, Christine, Joel, Judy, Julie, Monika, Stephen and Steve

The meeting, which was called to order at 7:02 pm, was conducted virtually via Zoom.

As the first order of business, it was agreed that approval of the minutes would be deferred until a majority of the Board had read and advised the Secretary by email of acceptance. Subsequently, the minutes were approved. In further communications the Board also ratified the expenditure of up to \$1,500 to cover the Ice Cream event (\$3 per scoop for up to 500 scoops); this action had not been reflected in the June minutes.

### Committee Reports

- Communications – Stephen reported on the two Newsblasts and 3 Connections, and commented on the higher readership for issues involving trash.
- Parks & Wildlife – Steve described the recent weeds article which was sent to the PHOA membership. Discussion ensued about unsuccessful outreach to Parks & Recreation and other individuals to contact in her stead.
- Finance – Joel reported on balances as of July 1 and the subsequent monthly trash expenditure. He reported that a categorization report for several years would be created in order to construct an appropriate PHOA budget for the upcoming fiscal year, and noted the lack of expenses in the 20-21 fiscal year due to the pandemic. Discussion ensued about events for PHOA members and the most effective way to pay Cool Beads for the upcoming Ice Cream event. The Secretary agreed to reach out to Cool Beads to confirm the payment mechanics.
- Trash – Julie reported on five new participants in the trash program. She discussed recent ‘blips’ in trash pick-up, noted that GFL is short-staffed, commented that GFL has increased the number of holidays with no trash pickup from 3 to 6 (addition of Labor Day, Memorial Day and the Fourth of July), and described challenges with carryout service. It was agreed that a NewsBlast would be sent to PHOA members before Labor Day describing the holiday schedule change. Discussion ensued about Dumpster Day, the PHOA’s entitlement to one free dumpster from GFL, and payment for the second. The two dumpsters would be located on Point of the Pines and Popes Valley. Discussion continued about the time window since a dumpster delivery time could not be guaranteed, inclusion of Goodwill again, inability to collect hazmat, and invitation to the company that will pick up paints and stains. It was agreed that there would be two NewsBlasts about September Dumpster Day.
- Connections/Social Activities – In Karin’s absence, Judy commented on the popularity of the weekly food trucks and described the upcoming Ice Cream party, noting that pictures of the event would be taken and posted to Connections. Discussion ensued about Movie in the Park, which is scheduled for Friday, August 27 at 7:00 pm, and included operation of the projector, testing with speakers, and other logistics. In that regard, Joel agreed to follow up with Drew about operation of the technology, and Drew’s access to the selected movie, *The Incredible Journey*. Discussion continued about timing of the food drive; it was agreed that this event should be postponed to the October timeframe.
- Traffic and Safety – Carl reported on the 16 police events in May, the lack of available patrols for July due to vacations, and the requested patrols for August. He provided an update on the status of the 2c-2 repaving and noted that concrete work will be completed in 2021 for Popes Valley, Cliff Point Circle east and west, and Golden Hills, with repaving in 2022. Discussion continued about grilling in the Park and dumping of ashes, as well as various homeless incidents. He reminded Board members that homeless events should be reported to Colorado Springs Police at 444 -7000. He also provided an update on the

status of the FOG, and indicated that the Finance Committee will review the document one final time prior to publication.

- ACC – Christine indicated that the ACC report had previously been distributed.
- Membership – Monika indicated that membership stood at 505, down by one from the prior month resulting from a house sale. In that regard Julie commented on new members to be processed. Discussion ensued about payment mechanisms and challenges with PayPal, cost to the HOA for certain online mechanisms and the limited options via the bank. Julie and Monika noted that checks/e-checks were easier to track. Following discussion, it was agreed to maintain the current procedures.

#### **Old Business**

- Popes Valley Signage – In the absence of Karin, Stephen noted that Zeke, the contractor, had not provided any updates. He noted that Zeke was looking for more sample of stacked stone and current supply chain challenges.
- Chipper Week – Discussion followed about the number of people who had participated in Chipper Week but had not signed up. As a result, the Fire Department was unable to pick up all the clippings and left notes at affected homes. It was agreed that the HOA does as much as possible to promote the event and the attendant rules, but the HOA does not make the rules. Last year the PHOA spent \$378 to send postcards to members; the consensus was that this outlay was unnecessary. It was agreed that there would be a reminder in the September newsletter related to Fire Wise.

At this point, the Board went into Executive Session from 8:35 pm – 8:59 pm.

#### **Other Business**

- Quiet Time New Home Development – The Board would not take a stance on the development; rather, individual Board members indicated that they would submit comments as residents. Christine observed that neighbors had received a postcard about the proposed development that included comment period protocols (comments due by July 13). She described issues related to the proposed development, including the lack of communication to the Fire Department, and required escape routes. It was noted that the City would take into consideration comments received by neighbors, but it was anticipated that the development would be approved in some manner.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:07 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith K. Benson