

SETTLER'S PARK HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL HOMEOWNERS MEETING
JUNE 18, 2019
MINUTES

The Annual Homeowners Meeting for Settler's Park Homeowners Association was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

Proof of notice was verified, and as quorum was not established, the meeting was adjourned at 7:02 p.m. and then immediately reconvened at 7:05 p.m. with an established quorum for election purposes only.

Board members and Lynn Marticiuc of Creative Management Company introduced themselves to the membership. Rick Lievens, attorney, introduced himself as well.

Motion was made, seconded and carried to approve the minutes of the June 20, 2019 Annual Homeowners Meeting minutes as presented.

ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

Claudia Shakespeare (Incumbent), Elias Manolakos, and Bill Sargent were reflected on the ballot. The floor was opened for nominations. There being no nominations from the floor, motion was made, seconded and carried to close the floor.

Each candidate was given the opportunity to introduce themselves and speak to the membership. Elias was not present at the meeting, and Claudia chose to defer her there minutes to the others.

Ballots were completed and submitted for tallying.

OFFICER/COMMITTEE REPORTS

The President's Report was given by Bonnie Finnigan whereby she reviewed accomplishments over the past year which included electrical and plumbing repairs in the pool area, new LED lighting in the bathrooms, a new light at the baby pool, replacement of the thermostat in the clubhouse, several major repairs to the aging pool pumps, replacement of the wind screen attachments, completion of an irrigation map reflecting all valve locations, upgraded the internet connection service and WiFi, newsletters and announcements on the new website, reinstatement of the yard of the month program, continued relationships with youth sports and other groups, and complaints received regarding the lifeguard staff are being addressed by the Board. The Board will be reviewing proposals for new pool fencing and is currently looking into participating in the Sugar Land Joint Participation Funding Program to build brick walls along Settlers Way. Owners were encouraged to become involved with events, landscaping, the yard of the month program, tennis courts, general oversight of maintenance needs or communications.

The Treasurer's Report was given by Sharon Hazel whereby she reviewed the financial information that was presented to the members at sign-in. It was noted that the annual audit revealed nothing of concern, and some funds were moved into interest bearing accounts.

Kelly Glore reported regarding the Social Committee whereby she discussed past and planned events and thanked all involved for their time and efforts in supporting the community. It was noted that the Christmas event was very successful and well attended. Ms. Glore provided her email address for any that may be interested in assisting with future events. The next event will be a dive-in movie which on July 13th at which a food truck will be present. A back-to-school pop bash is scheduled for August 11th, and the committee will also be organizing National Night out. Owners were encouraged to visit Nextdoor and the website to view upcoming events.

Claudia Shakespeare gave a brief report regarding landscaping noting that the committee is currently looking into above-ground and/or butterfly gardening options. Owners were encouraged to present their suggestions and ideas regarding improving the median landscaping.

Bonnie Finnigan reported regarding deed restriction enforcement explaining the process and timing of the letters sent out. It was mentioned that a few owners at the April meeting expressed concern that violations were increasing. Since that time, 91 violation letters have been sent out, and the board will continue to pursue violators in accordance with the legal documents.

ELECTION RESULTS

It was announced that Claudia Shakespeare and Bill Sargent were elected by a majority vote of the owners.

OPEN FORUM

Bill Sargent informed the owners that it took well over a year for Chimneystone to get their brick wall approved and funded under the special program mentioned during the President's Report. Owners whose property was adjacent to the wall were required to sign off with their approval.

Bonnie discussed trash can issues and the difficulties in enforcing the Resolution which states that the cans must be kept out of view. Additional information will be included in the June newsletter. The Board will be looking into options to make it easier for the residents to comply.

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Bill Sargent advised that he is now a member of the City HOA Maintenance Responsibilities Task Force, and at the first meeting, the city informed the members of the expectations and guidelines. Trash cans were discussed at the meeting, and it was stated that the city has the ability to fine violators \$150.00, then \$200.00, and then \$500.00 for the third offense.

An owner inquired if the Board could have the pool chairs cleaned on a scheduled basis to remove spider webs, bird poop. Etc. Claudia responded that she would ask the lifeguards to clean the furniture periodically.

A new owner (Phil) inquired about what can be done about dying trees between the sidewalk and the road, and the board informed him that he has the right to have the tree removed. Additional questions were answered regarding the architectural control application process.

An owner inquired if new residents are provided with copies of the deed restrictions, and Lynn Mariciuc advised that the Association does not track leasing of homes, and it is the responsibility of the owner to provide their tenants with the rules and restrictions. However, if a unit sells and when the title transfer papers are received by management, the new owner is sent a welcome packet/letter with various information and a path to obtaining the documents.

An owner inquired about the non-bearing pear trees, and the Board advised that they are steadily being trimmed and/or removed on an as needed basis. Management was requested to include pear tree maintenance in the next deed restriction inspection. Owners were encouraged to report city maintenance issues to 311. It was also mentioned that the trees in Mesquite Park are now maintained by the city.

An owner expressed concern about heavy trash left at the curb after trash day. Owners were informed that they can call Republic Trash to request they come out to pick up heavy trash.

An owner inquired about the status of the drainage projects by the city, and it was noted there have not been any recent updates other than the plans for the summer of 2020.

An owner thanked all Board members, past and present, for their time and efforts for the community.

There being no further business, motion was made, seconded and carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Approved

Date