

Windsor Village Civic Club
Board Meeting
Tuesday, October 5, 2021

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 6:16 p.m.

Opening Prayer: Led by Mrs. Benson

Attendees: Elizabeth Bell, President, Edward Johnson, Vice-President, Judy Mire, Recording Secretary, Richard Cruz, Treasurer, Alma Benson, Correspondence Secretary, Alba Chaves-Cruz (via telephone), Novella Perro, and Gerry Vander-Lyn, Consultant

Absentees: Carroll Craney, Thomas Law, Janett Reed, and Bettie Woodard

Reading of the Minutes: Minutes for September 7, 2021, were read by Judy Mire. Note correction: add "on Trafalgar" after the description of the steel post. Mr. Cruz moved to accept minutes with correction. Mr. Johnson second; motion passed unopposed.

Treasurer's Report: Per Mr. Cruz

Savings: \$ 5,000.66	Deposit: \$960.00	Expenses:	Landscaping \$ 330.00*
Checking: <u>11,537.27</u>			VV Printing 0 *
Total: \$16,537.93			VV Distribution 0 *
			Website 19.99
			Supplies (Vests) 167.94
			Canaan 200.00
			SHCCC Annual Dues 50.00
			DR Violators/Certified Mail Letters <u>32.94</u>
		Total:	\$ 800.87

Mr. Cruz explained the increase in Landscaping is for the removal of weeds along Croquet/Grapevine fence line. VV Printing and Distribution payments had not yet cleared; expect increase in November's treasurer report.

Ms. Mire moved to accept the treasurer's report as explained, Mrs. Benson, second; motion passed unopposed.

Old Business:

Fall Festival Fundraiser

The fundraiser part of the Festival is cancelled; however, a Halloween themed festival will still occur on October 30.

Beautification Committee - Signs

The neighborhood identification sign on Heatherbrook has been replaced.

Purchased Vests for Board Members

Mr. Cruz displayed one of the purchased blue vests, with replaceable inserts for names of board members and civic club. These vests are to be worn by board members during events sponsored by the civic club.

New Business:

Beautification - Yard of the Month signs

Ms. Bell reminded us that October is the last month for selecting yard of the month lawns. She stated one recipient was not in good standing with the civic club due to non payment of dues. We will review this process before Yard of the Month selections begin next year.

Mrs. Perro suggested Christmas decoration selections should be made before December's Village Voice distribution so that residents can actually see the winners' decorations. It was agreed an announcement will be made in the November VV notifying residents of the judge's date to select winners. Most who decorate do so just after Thanksgiving.

Deed Restriction Committee - Updates

Ms. Bell read the positive results after sending certified letters to deed restriction violators. Six violators have made necessary corrections. The list of violations are: holding church services in the front yard, removal of a commercial trailer being parked in front of home, a truck being parked on easement, a wrecker truck not parking wrecked vehicles at residence, and removal of several tires and auto parts stored on front lawn. One suspected halfway house has been observed to have 12 mattresses on the curb for heavy trash. Observation of the other will continue. Farm animal violators on Darlington have not yet been convinced; District K and City of Houston Legal Department have been provided letters, photos, etc of our attempts to rectify these violations.

A new complaint at 5602 Trafalgar has been received; renters have hung a baby swing on the tree in their neighbor's yard without permission. This long time resident has sent a letter to the investor asking that the renters remove the swing. We are waiting to see if the renter moves the swing and will follow up as necessary. Another, three commercial paint trucks block street egress on Oakham at Heatherbrook every morning around 7 am and in late afternoons, it is apparent a business is being conducted at this address and blocking egress is a safety matter. Discussion surrounding difficulty of cooperation by investors to ensure renters comply with deed restrictions occurred. Further board action will be discussed.

Fall Festival Update

A Halloween themed festival for children/residents is scheduled for October 30, 2021, outdoors at the community center instead of a fundraiser. Approval for restroom availability on that date has not yet been approved by Parks and Recreation. Funds for purchase of food, refreshments (water/juice boxes), giveaway bags filled with candy, hotdog, individual packets of condiments, popcorn, bags, chips and the purchase of trophies for costume winners are needed. It is hoped a bounce house vendor in the neighborhood will sponsor the event or at least discount the cost. Children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by a parent. Ms. Bell stated the

entertainment committee will meet next week to finalize details. Ms. Vander-Lyn stated a diverse group of historical characters will make small presentations of their character to the children, question them afterwards, and select a winner. Additionally, tug of war and face paintings will be provided. Ms. Mire moved to approve \$500.00 for the event, Mrs. Benson second; motion passed unopposed.

Comments/Concerns:

Ms. Perro stated the house on the corner of Heatherbrook and Amble is listed by the investor at \$248K. If it sells at this amount and sets precedence, we can expect property taxes to increase throughout the community. Discussion about the difference in asking price and selling price ensued.

Ms. Mire questioned how and when payments for transfer information by title companies will occur.

Discussion about December's general membership meeting and the Christmas festivities that will be provided; decorations, food, giveaways, etc., ensued. Decisions will be made in November.

Ms. Bell read a thank you card sent by Mr. McCoy. She stated condolences have been acknowledged in the VV for eight residents. She asks that board members inform her whenever deaths in the community occur so that condolence cards can be sent and announcements can be included in the VV.

Announcements:

SHCCC - Thomas Law will attend on Thursday, October 21, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

General Membership Meeting is scheduled for October 12, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. in the WV community center. Light refreshments will be served for our first in person meeting.

Closing Prayer: Led by Ms. Bell

Adjournment: Meeting ended at 7:05 p.m.

Recording Secretary: Judy Mire

Date: October 5, 2021