



## **Briarbend Community Improvement Association**

### **Board of Directors Meeting 2/19/13**

#### **Chad Roberts' Home**

**Call to Order:** Gordon Richardson, President, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. In attendance were: Gordon Richardson, Mary Spiller-Gebhardt, Scott Odom, Chad Roberts, Ann Berger, Ben Hunter, Jerry Nicholson and Bill Maddock . Kenze Beyer(Treasurer) and Amanda Gonzalez (Social) were absent.

Mary Spiller-Gebhardt had previously sent the Board Minutes from the previous meeting on 1/21/13 to Board members via e-mail attachment. The minutes were reviewed and approved.

#### **Committee Reports:**

**Security: Jerry Nicholson-**The only incident, recently, was the theft of four wheels and tires on Stoney Brook. The thief(s) took the wheels and left the car up on cement blocks. A police report was filed.

**Treasurer: Kenze Beyer,** Treasurer, could not be present for the meeting. Prior to the meeting she sent a copy of the current Budget through 1/20/13. See separate attachment. There are a number of residents who have not paid their 2013 dues, and two residents who are delinquent for two years. Kenze is working Sears and Bennett to address the delinquent residents.

**Legal: Ann Berger-** The brick markers on the Westheimer/Stoney Brook entrance, are leaning. At the time of construction 3 years ago, permits were not filed with the City. Permits have now been filed, but have not received approval because a complaint about the structures has been filed with Councilman Pennington's office by a resident. Ann and Scott Odom will follow up on this issue.

Ann Berger is working to compile information for the new Directory that will be coming out soon. Mary Spiller-Gebhardt will send out more information in the upcoming Newsletter.

**Super Neighborhood: Chad Roberts** attended a recent Super Neighborhood meeting. Briarbend needs to fill out a Civic Association form. Chad will take care of this. We have three City Councilmen representing our Super Neighborhood area. There will be a meeting on Tuesday Feb. 26 at Briargrove Elementary. More information on this meeting and other area news can be found at: <http://www.hcfd.org/W129> or at Oliver Pennington's web site: [district@houstontx.gov](mailto:district@houstontx.gov) .

#### **Architectural Control Committee:**

Ben Hunter reported that the owner of the home under construction at 2303 Stoney Brook, has planted numerous large shrub/trees surrounding the property. There have been numerous complaints from residents that the landscaping is not in harmony with the landscaping in the neighborhood. A complaint has been file with the

City concerning blocking the view of traffic at the intersection of Stoney Brook and Meadow Lake. Ann Berger will call Sears Bennett for an opinion on the issue.

Because of the increase of new construction, new materials, and designs, Briar Bend's Deed restrictions need to be modified to address these issues that will be affecting our neighborhood in the future.

A variance request has been approved by the ACC prior to construction of a new home at 7811 Overbrook. The variance was for a tile roof. Ben reported that that Deed Restrictions need to be addressed concerning issues such as fence construction in a City Right Of Way, Burglar Bars on windows and doors facing the street, and tile roofs. Ben stated that there is a flaw in the original deed restrictions that states that if plans submitted to the ACC are not approved within 30 days, they are deemed approved. It should be changed to state that if they are not approved within 30 days they are deemed denied.

**Beautification: Scott Odom** – The February Yard of the Month goes to Ted and Thais Nava at 7802 Meadow Lake.

**Social Amanda Gonzalez**-Absent, no report

**Secretary:** No Report. Minutes will be published on-line to residents with a link in the Newsletter.

**Mary Spiller-Gebhardt** reported that a Newsletter would be going out shortly.

**Vice President: Bill Maddock** Semi annual Homeowners Meeting will take place in April, Bill will set this up at Molinas. Voting for Board positions will take place at the meeting. Four positions will be vacated this year. Nomination forms will be sent out by March 1<sup>st</sup>, and tabulation will be conducted by an independent person appointed by the Board.

**New Business:** Chad Roberts reported on the projected Sewer Tie-In Project Schedule. The following is information from Stephen Wright with the City's Engineering and Construction Division.

1. Advertise for Bid- 3/1/13
2. Pre-Bid Conference- 3/12/13
3. Bid-Opening- 3/28/13
4. Construction Contract Award by the City Council- 6/5/13
5. No Date set for start of construction.

The meeting of the Board was adjourned at 8:25pm. The next meeting of the Board will take place on March 26th at Ann Berger's home, 7811 Chevy Chase.

Submitted

Mary Spiller-Gebhardt Secretary

2/22/13

