

Briarbend Community Improvement Association

Minutes

June 12, 2018

7802 Ella Lee – Larry Stanton’s home

- I. Call to Order – Larry Stanton called the meeting to order at 7:17 pm.
Board members present: Larry Stanton, Leigh Adkins, Chad Roberts, Kathy Johnson, Peter Blomquist, Tom Ehardt, Scott Summerville, Charlie Stoddard

Members absent-Casey Koehler, Jessica Strehlow

- II. Introduction of Visitors

A) No visitors attended the June meeting.

- III. Reading Minutes of Preceding Meeting-

The May minutes were passed out and read. Tom Ehardt motioned to approve the May minutes; Charlie Stoddard seconded. The minutes were approved and will be posted on the BB website.

IV. President’s Comments- Larry passed out the most current newsletter from Greg Travis, our City Council member. Areas that were hit by Hurricane Harvey are being taken care of with the funds allocated to the City of Houston. Larry recommended that we all go to a website, “Who Represents Me” to see how our own representatives are taking care of their constituents. Larry also suggested looking at how our federal and state representatives are spending the money that is allocated to them. He also reminded the board to really read the wording on the proposed special bond election on August 25; Larry feels this proposed bond will raise our property taxes.

- V. Reports of Committees

A) Vice President – Tom Ehardt- we really need advertising for our directory. The fees are: \$500 for the back cover, \$300 for the two inside covers, \$200 for a full page, and \$100 for a half page. The board said they would help secure some advertisers. Tom will provide the board with a donor form and a letter from the board explaining what we are selling and will send the letter to the board. Tom wants to revise the Helpful Information page in the directory so that it is more current. Tom asked the board to look over the form for any typos or additions. Tom passed out a list showing the current block captains and asked us to make sure the list is current. Tom also asked about placing a special designation in our directory map for those homeowners who lease their homes- we will designate the rent houses on the directory page with an ‘R’ or the renter’s name in parentheses. Tom will decide which method looks best in the directory.

B) Secretary – Kathy Johnson – no additional report.

C) Treasurer- Leigh Adkins

- a. Received all but 4 dues payments from homeowners. \$1800 over budget and this is reflected in the four unpaid dues payments. Otherwise, we are on budget!

- D) Security – Chad Roberts- feels that Charnwood will pull out of our security patrol. They have a new board and the new board may choose not to continue the current patrolling. If they do pull out, we will drop the hours security has been patrolling Charnwood, which works out to about 30 hours per month.
 - E) Super neighborhood - Peter Blomquist – attended the May meeting. A staffer from John Culbertson’s office talked about the funding that he obtained. Several speakers did not show. Several staffers from Gene Woo’s office attended, but didn’t have anything specific to talk about. Next meeting is scheduled for third or fourth week in August and Peter plans to attend.
 - F) ACC - Scott Summerville- has received a couple of inquiries from homeowners regarding paint color and interior remodeling.
 - G) Hospitality/Social- Jessica and Casey- no report
 - H) Legal- Charlie- looked into how long we need to keep the amendments to our deed restrictions and covenants, and found out these must be kept permanently. Financial books and records, tax returns, audit records, and board meeting minutes must be kept for 7 years. There is a tiered system for keeping various other records. Charlie looked into the issue of roofs in our deed restrictions- we can install standard composition shingles. He did not find anything in any of our previous deed restrictions or legislation from the state that shows any restrictions on exterior paint color.
- VI. Old Business – Larry talked about the speed bumps and said the only cars that slow down are small cars. Larry asked Scott to talk to our representative in District G and tell them our speed bumps are ineffective.
 - VII. New Business- no new business
 - VIII. General Discussion/Executive Session (if necessary)- no executive session was necessary.
 - VIV. Adjournment- The meeting was adjourned at 9:03 pm. Peter Blomquist made a motion to adjourn and Chad Roberts seconded.

The next board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 14, 2018 at 7919 Meadow Lake.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Johnson, Secretary