

Briarbend Community Improvement Association

February 9, 2021

Via Zoom 7:00pm

- I. Call to Order – Larry Stanton called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Board members present: Larry Stanton, Leigh Adkins, Tom Ehardt, Charlie Stoddard, Scott Summerville, Chad Roberts, Mary Spiller, Peter Blomquist, Conor Shary,

Members absent- James Pocza

- II. Introduction of Visitors -No visitors attended the February meeting.

- III. Reading Minutes of Preceding Meeting-

The January 12, 2021 Minutes were sent prior to the meeting, were reviewed by the Board Members. There were two minor changes that were made. The corrected Minutes were sent via email prior to the Board Meeting. Mary Spiller moved that the Minutes be approved, Scott Summerville seconded the motion. The Minutes are approved and will be posted on the Briarbend Web Site.

- IV. President's Comments- Larry Stanton-There is Legislation being proposed that would curb HOA's power to curb Displays of a Religious nature on Homeowners property. There was an article in the Chronicle today addressing this. Larry will follow up on this issue. Larry has been monitoring the water levels on Buffalo Bayou, and the work of the Flood Control District. There has been no further word on proposals to address flooding in the Bayous. Larry has received emails from N.W. Pest Control to start spraying again for mosquitos. We stopped the spraying two years ago, and it was agreed that there has not been a noticeable change that would warrant starting the spraying again. It is not in the Budget. The Board agreed not to renew the contract.

- V. Reports of Committees

A) Vice President – Tom Ehardt- Tom addressed the issue of the new Directory. So far there have been 80+ responses. All residents have received a personal request with their information from the last directory. A second notice was also sent. Leigh gave Tom a list of all new residents. If they have not responded, Conor Shary will help with this information. If residents that were in the last Directory have not responded after several attempts, their previous information will be used. Tom addressed our March General Meeting of Residents. It will not take place due to Covid Restrictions. This is the meeting for Election of Board Members. There are four members who will be leaving the Board- Mary Spiller, Larry Stanton, Charlie Stoddard, and Peter Blomquist. Paper Nomination Forms will be sent to residents with seven days to return the forms. Block Captains will deliver the forms. They can be returned electronically to Tom. Nominated residents will be contacted to see if they have agreed to run for a position on the Board for a two year period. Tom will develop a Ballot. They will be delivered to residents. The March Board Meeting will be moved to March 16th to give more time for this election process. Absentee Ballots, and Proxy Ballots will be accepted. Tom also addressed the issue of paid advertisements for the Directory. There is space for the back cover of the Directory, and the inside covers. The cost for printing the Directory is approximately \$700. Larry will contact

the Real Estate Agents who have homes for sale in Briarbend to see if they would be interested in buying Ads.

- B) Secretary – Mary Spiller – No additional Report
 - C) Treasurer- Leigh Adkins-has been in contact with Troylisa Henderson with the City of Houston regarding reimbursements for the garbage. Troylisa has sent Leigh a copy of the signed agreement for the **July 2020- June 2021** term. Troylisa has confirmed that the current and past Briarbend reimbursement will be paid once she has received copies of the invoices and payments. There is \$25,482 that is owed. Leigh has reached out to Texas Pride to provide copies of Invoices and has received almost all of the past invoices. Leigh has also gotten copies of checks off of the past bank statements. He expects to complete the reimbursement documentation within the next week and will send an email when the documentation is complete and sent to the City of Houston. Leigh presented the Budget to Actual January 2021. There are only 13 outstanding dues for 2021. All of 2020 dues have been paid. He addressed an increase in Garbage expense, and that due to the Board meeting on Zoom, and not in person, there have been no Meeting expenses for the year. See Budget to Actual information on separate sheet. Leigh moved to approve the Financials for the end of January 2021. Charlie seconded. The Financials were approved.
 - D) Security – Chad Roberts- Chad sent a recent notice to residents via Mail Chimp about recent activity in neighborhoods of people breaking into cars left unlocked. Residents were asked to secure their vehicles.
 - E) Super neighborhood - Peter Blomquist – No Report, there have been no scheduled meetings of the Super Neighborhood Committee.
 - F) ACC - Scott Summerville- No Report- there are no current requests for remodeling.
 - G) Hospitality/Social- James Pocza – No Report
 - H) Legal- Charlie Stoddard – No Report
 - I) At Large- Conor Shary- No Report
- VII. New Business- There was no new business.
- VIII. General Discussion/Executive Session (if necessary)-
- VIV. Adjournment- Mary Spiller moved that the meeting be adjourned. Charlie seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 7:56pm

The next board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 16, 2021.

Respectfully submitted February 10, 2021

Mary Spiller- Secretary

