

## Briarbend Homeowners Semi-Annual Meeting

Tuesday April 23, 2013
Molinas on Westheimer 6:30pm

<u>Call to Order-</u> Gordon Richardson, President called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Board Members present: Gordon Richardson-President, Bill Maddock-Vice-President, Mary Spiller-Gebhardt-Secretary, Jerry Nicholson- Security, Kenze Beyer-Treasurer, Amanda Gonzalez-Social, Ann Berger-Legal, Scott Odom-Beautification. Chad Roberts-Super Neighborhood was absent.

**Bill Maddock- Vice President** reported that election ballots would be counted, but that Peter Blomquist has withdrawn his name this afternoon. Residents who had already voted for Peter were given the option of voting for one other candidate. Bill and Molinas Manager moved to another room to count and record ballots for the four positions on the Board who are open for election this period.

Jerry Nicholson-Security- Jerry introduced Jeff Fondon HPD, who is the manager for Briarbend's Security Patrol. Jeff reported that there have been two major security issues, an aggravated robbery attempt of a Briarbend resident, and stolen tires from an SUV parked in a driveway. The aggravated robbery, earlier this month took place when a resident was followed home and approached by two young black males. There was surveillance video of the attempt, they got nothing, and left in a waiting vehicle. Jeff encouraged residents to be aware of other cars following you into the neighborhood. If there is a concern, go to a shopping center, call the police. Call home when you are on the way and have someone waiting for you.

Another concern is people using checks found in trash dumps. All records with sensitive information should be shredded. Check credit card balances often, be aware of bank balances. Don't leave checks in the mail slot at home.

**Kenze Beyer- Treasurer-** Kenze reported that 8 residents have not paid their annual dues for 2013. E-mails are sent monthly. Two residents have not paid for 2012; these have gone to our attorney for collection. The annual audit of Briarbends' financial records is complete. If any resident would like a copy, please contact Kenze by e-mail.

**Chad Roberts- Super Neighborhood-** Chad was not present, Gordon reported that the Sewer Tie-in is on schedule and as soon as we have a date for beginning the process, all residents will be notified.

**Scott Odom- Beautification- Yard** of the Month for April goes to The Strehlow's 7927 Meadow Lake. Scott reported that the brick entrance markers are leaning and obstructing the view of a resident trying to back out of his driveway. Scott

has met with the builder that installed the markers and they will be replaced by July. Residents were encouraged to call 311 if help is needed for concerns.

**Amanda Gonzalez- Social-** Briarbend's Annual Spring Fling will take place this Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup> at 4 pm at the Park. An e-mail reminder will be sent out to residents, and they can respond and volunteer.

Ann Berger- Legal- Ann is in the final stages of publishing the new Directory. She had a list of residents who have responded to several attempts to update information. The Directory will be going to the printer soon; the cost is being paid by a sponsor. Two residents have unpaid dues, and have gone to legal. The process will go to Foreclosure. There are concerns about a home on Locke Lane that has been sold and is vacant. The yard has not been mowed and the home is in deterioration condition. The investment company who bought the home has been contacted. They have not responded.

A resident reported that his next door neighbor's home has siding that is falling off the side of the home and falling in his yard. The neighbor is out of the country and the home is leased at the moment.

**Ben Hunter- ACC Liaison-** Ben spoke about the need to update and amend our Deed Restrictions. Several issues have come up recently. Our Deed Restrictions have been amended four times so far. Ben prepared an information sheet to get a feel for how residents felt about amending the deed restrictions at this time. The issues are:

- Landscaping- In harmony with the rest of the neighborhood.
- Paint- new construction and change in outside paint color.
- Concrete work- pavement and driveways.
- Newly installed burglar bars on the front of homes. There is nothing in the deed restrictions that prohibits them now.

A resident asked about the makeup of the ACC. There are three members at present. The residents asked, "Do we want to turn over all of these decisions to just three people?"

A resident reported that a longtime resident on Burgoyne, Jack Pennington, died two weeks ago.

**Board Election Results-** Bill Maddock reported that the following residents were elected to the Board for a 2 year period:

- Gordon Richardson
- Jerry Nicholson
- Lauren Summerville
- Kathy Johnson

Gordon Richardson adjourned the meeting at 7:55pm

Submitted 4/26/13 Mary Spiller-Gebhardt-Secretary