

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF GREENWAY FIELDS HOMES ASSOCIATION

**April 27, 2010
7:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.
Philip Bouillette's House**

Attendance

- Present: Gina Valentino, Joe Groebl, Mike McAdam, Wendy Trainor, Jennifer Martin, Philip Bouillette, Barbara Martin
- Absent: Aaron House, Ryan Felton

Agenda

- The Board voted unanimously to approve the Agenda attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.

Old Business

- Meeting Minutes
 - February 16, 2010 Board Meeting Minutes
 - The board voted unanimously to approve the minutes as amended.
 - March 9, 2010 Board Meeting Minutes
 - The board voted unanimously to approve the minutes as amended.
- Invoices from Holiday Party or Annual Meeting
 - Joe Groebl brought the last invoice from the Annual Meeting.
- Telephone Calling System
 - The board discussed pursuing a new vendor for a telephone notification system. Gina Valentino's research had shown that systems are significantly more expensive than the service the Board engaged several years ago. Because of the expense required, the Board decided not to pursue a new calling system. Wendy Trainor will put an item in the next newsletter letting neighbors know that the phone system has been discontinued.
- Strawn Park Trash Pickup
 - After discussion, the board voted unanimously to authorize Joe Groebl to call Pet Concierge and negotiate the terms of their services. The vote was amended to rescind last month's vote which allowed termination of the contract with Deffenbaugh and the hiring of Pet Concierge.
- Website
 - Ryan Felton was absent; he will report on the website committee at the next meeting.

New Business

- Finances
 - Treasurer Philip Bouillette reported that GFHA is in good financial condition—If we stay on course, we should end the year in a positive cash position.
 - Philip and Gina Valentino had a good meeting with HAKC discussing administrative changes related to the CID.

- D & O Insurance Update. Philip reported that rates could be rising significantly. He is pursuing quotes from a few companies to see what other options there may be.
- The GFNCID received an invoice from the City for expenses incurred during the CID process. This was a surprise, as we believed all fees had been paid. Further, this expense is a new one that has come up only in the last few months; this was not an expense that anyone knew about throughout the CID process. The City claims that this is not a fee, and that these expenses are only charged to CIDs. Mike McAdam will look into this issue.
- Neighbor Call/Complaints/Issues/Communications
 - The Board discussed issues some neighborhood residents have had. Since the Board does not have any enforcement powers, it was reiterated that neighborhood residents with concerns about safety or trespassing should call the police.
- Upkeep
 - Mulch: Joe Groebl said we could assume ~ \$500-\$600/year for upkeep of the mulch in Strawn Park. For liability reasons, we need to maintain the mulch. The ideal time to add more for the season would be right before the picnic in June.
 - A neighbor noticed that the recently-restored columns in front of St. Andrew's have cracked. The contractor should be under warranty to correct the work.
 - Joe will check with the landscaping contractor to get a quote for fixing the damaged stones in the island at Greenway Terrace and Pennsylvania.
- Newsletter Update
 - The next issue will be out in the next week or so.
 - The neighborhood garage sale will be on 5/8/10, and there is an announcement for it in the newsletter. There will also be an ad in the newspaper.
- KCMO School Right-Sizing
 - Gina Valentino reported on two events that Southwest recently held to reach out to the neighborhood: a chili cook-off and a breakfast meet-and-greet.
 - Gina had received a request from a School Board member asking if they could include GFHA on a list of supporters of the School Board as they traveled to Jefferson City to lobby for funding for summer school. After discussion, the GFHA Board decided that we were not given enough specifics, and that the request came too late for us to adequately review it, so the GFHA Board declined to offer its endorsement.
- Association Contacts
 - Gina mentioned that both the Community Police Action Cooperative (CPAC) and the KCPD Roll Call are events that are worth going to. The next CPAC meeting is June 8 at 4:00 p.m. at 6814 Troost.
- Events

- Upcoming events in the neighborhood and community include the Brookside Art Annual (4/30-5/2), the MainCor 1 Mile Fun Run (5/8), and the GFHA Garage Sale (also on 5/8).
- Safety/Security
 - Karen Grover has offered to host a Block Captain meet-and-greet event.
 - KCPL has been called about the graffiti at 66th Terrace and Pennsylvania.
 - The Board discussed the neighborhood security patrol.

June Picnic

- At the next meeting, the Board will plan various details of the annual picnic, which is scheduled for June 6 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at Strawn Park.

Strawn Park

- The Board discussed the need to post a sign in the park with stated opening/closing times (dawn to dusk) for the park. We'll get a quote for the sign and will consult with Capt. Caron on the wording of the sign.

Board Meetings

- The next meeting will be on 5/25 at Barbara Martin's house.

Beautification Plans for the corner of Greenway Terrace at Wornall and 63rd Streets

- Joe Groebl shared two proposed landscaping schemes for this corner prepared by Atlas, the company that takes care of neighborhood landscaping. Some Board members had concerns about whether some of the proposed plants would get enough light to thrive at that location, and also whether some native plants could be substituted for some of the proposed non-native species. Joe said he would check back with Atlas and report back at the next meeting.

Adjournment

- The board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

EXHIBIT A
AGENDA

Greenway Fields Homes Association: Board of Directors Meeting

Tuesday, April 27, 2010

7:00pm at 6419 Pennsylvania, Philip's house

Agenda

1. Approve Agenda
2. Old Business
 - a. Feb 18th Meeting Minutes for approval (Aaron/Jennifer)
 - b. March 9th Meeting Minutes for approval (Jennifer)
 - c. Invoices from Holiday Party or Annual Meeting
 - d. Telephone Calling System
 - e. Strawn Park Trash Pickup (Deffenbaugh \$25/mo; Pet Concierge \$50/mo)
 - f. Website (Ryan)
 - i. Due Dates for Content
 - ii. Committee Meeting
3. New Business
 - a. Finances (Philip)
 - i. Meeting with HA-KC
 - ii. D&O Insurance Update
 - iii. KCMO Fees to GFNCID
 - b. Neighbor Call/Complaints/Issues/Communications
 - c. Upkeep
 - i. Mulch (Joe)
 - ii. Meyer Blvd Columns (Gina)
 - iii. Islands (Wendy)
 - d. Newsletter Update (Barbara/Wendy)
 - i. May, Aug, Nov
 - ii. Advertisers
 - iii. Neighborhood Garage Sale
 - e. KCMO School Right-Sizing
 - i. Southwest HS (SWECC) had a Chili Cook-off and invited Neighbors (3/25)
 - ii. Southwest HS (SWECC) had a breakfast meet & greet; invited neighbors (4/13)
 - iii. Jefferson City meeting
 - f. Association Contacts
 - i. Brookside Area Merchants Association
 - ii. CPAC (Community Police Action Cooperative) Tues 6/8 at 4pm, 6814 Troost
 - iii. KCPD Roll Call – Metro (3/23)
 - g. Events

- i. Brookside Art Fair (April 30-May2; 25th Anniv)
 - ii. MainCor 1 Mile Run (9am May8th; Main/Lindwood to Main/40th)
 - iii. GFHA Garage Sale, May 8th
 - h. Safety-Security
 - i. Karen Grover offered to host Block Captain meet & greet
 - ii. Called KCPL for graffiti at 66th Terrace/Penn
- 4. June Picnic
- 5. Strawn Park
 - a. Park Hours
 - b. Maintenance
- 6. Board Meetings
 - a. 4th Tuesday (4/27, 5/25, 6/22, 7/27, 8/24, 9/28, 10/26, 11/23, 12/28)
- 7. Adjournment
- 8. Initiatives for 2010
 - a. Communication to Residents via Website
 - b. Communication to Residents via Email Newsletter
 - c. Beautification of GF Entrance at Greenway Terr and Wornall Rd
 - d. GF Residents Leaf Removal Service
 - e. Park Designation at Strawn Park
- 9. Calendar
 - a. January: Annual Meeting
 - b. February: Newsletter #1
 - c. March: St. Patrick's Day Parade (on Wornall)
 - d. April: Usually City-wide Leaf & Brush Pickup
 - e. May: Newsletter #2. Brookside Art Fair (April 30-May2: 25th Anniv)
 - f. June: June 13th for Annual Picnic?
 - g. July: Popsicle Parade Sunday July 4. Week of July 4th is unlimited Trash Pick-up
 - h. August: Newsletter #3.
 - i. September:
 - j. October: GF Neighborhood Garage Sale: first week October?
 - k. November: Newsletter #4. Usually City-wide Leaf & Brush Pickup

- l. December: Christmas Party first weekend of December. Mid-December is the Neighborhood Lighting Contest. Week after Christmas is unlimited Trash Pick-up