

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

**July 26, 2011
7:00 p.m. – 8:10 p.m.
Gina Valentino's House**

Attendance

- Present: Philip Bouillette, Clem Helmstetter, Jennifer Martin, Mike McAdam, Julie Nelson Meers, Christian Schulz, Gina Valentino
- Absent: Ryan Felton, Terry Wolf

Agenda

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

Old Business

- Meeting Minutes
 - June 28, 2011 Board Meeting Minutes
 - The board voted unanimously to approve the minutes as amended.
- Traffic Circle at Greenway Terrace/Pennsylvania
 - The driver who damaged the circle has paid for the cost of repairs, so this item is resolved.
- Park/Island Maintenance
 - We have budgeted to pay for 10 hours of watering per month, but with the extreme heat we've experienced, it is not enough, and there is some concern that the landscaping contractor isn't watering that much. The circle at Greenway/Penn. in particular looks neglected and as though it needs weeding. Terry has been in touch with Atlas but is frustrated with their lack of responsiveness. He is planning on meeting with them in September and at that time may discuss using some native species in these common areas that ideally can withstand the harsh climatic conditions. The Board also discussed including landscaping at the Meyer Columns as a future budget item.
- Hours sign at Strawn Park
 - Gina has spoken with Odegard Signs and is waiting for them to give her quotes on some specific designs.
- Popsicle Parade Recap
 - The parade was a success. A few tweaks for next year are in order: per Terry, we need more ice next time, wipes, water for dogs, and a sign to acknowledge the popsicle donors. Nametags for Board members might be a good idea also. In January, we should revisit the idea of ordering a few more signs. Katie Allison provided the patriotic music.
- Rain Garden
 - The Greenway Terrace/Pennsylvania traffic circle would be an ideal spot for a first try at a rain garden. Philip Bouillette will check with a landscape

architect he knows to see if he has any advice concerning getting started with a rain garden.

- August Newsletter
 - We will solicit neighbors' feedback on rain gardens as well as on a neighborhood-wide leaf-removal event.
 - It will also include picnic and parade photos, as well as an article about Nourished by Neighbors.
- Neighborhood Garage Sale
 - The Board discussed having a neighborhood garage sale on the weekend of September 30-October 1; this will be included in the "upcoming events" section of the August newsletter. As budgeted, GFHA will pay for newspaper ads announcing the sale.
- Home of the Month
 - This will be going back to a system whereby the recipient of the Home of the Month decides on the next month's winner.

New Business

- Courtesy Letter Revisited
 - The Board looked over the draft from last month's meeting and tweaked it slightly.
- GFHA Letter About Dues
 - The letter that recently went out should include the message "This is not a bill" next time; also, it should go out in January, closer to the time when people have received their assessments from the County. There was some confusion with the most recent mailing that these changes will hopefully alleviate.
- Meyer Blvd. Column Landscaping
 - The Board discussed adding this area to next year's landscaping budget.

Next Meeting Location

- The next Board meeting will be on Tuesday, August 23 at Gina Valentino's house at 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment

- The Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

EXHIBIT A

AGENDA

Greenway Fields Homes Association: Board of Directors Meeting

Tuesday, July 26, 2011

7:00pm at 6437 Washington Street, Gina's house

Agenda

1. Approve Agenda
2. Old Business
 - a. June 28, 2011 Meeting Minutes for approval (Jennifer)
 - b. Traffic Circle at Greenway Terrace (Philip)
 - c. Park/Island Maintenance (Terry)
 - d. Hours sign at Strawn Park (Gina)
 - e. Popsicle Parade Recap
 - f. Rain Garden (Clem)
 - i. 2012 marc
 - ii. Prep
 - g. August Newsletter
 - i. As for opinion in Newsletter, FB, Block Captains
 - ii. Rain Garden
 - iii. Home of the Month info
 - h. Neighborhood Garage Sale
 - i. Armour Fields 2nd weekend May
 - ii. Country Club, first weekend in June
 - iii. GFHA do we want to organize one for October?
 - i. Home of the Month (Clem)
3. New Business
 - a. Courtesy Letter Revisited
 - b. GFHA Letter about Dues
 - c. Meyer Blvd Column Landscaping
4. Calendar Working Draft
 - a. August: Newsletter #3
 - b. September:
 - c. October: GF Neighborhood Garage Sale: first week October? Block Captain Meeting?
 - d. November: Newsletter #4. Usually City-wide Leaf & Brush Pickup
 - e. December: Christmas Party usually first weekend of December. Mid-December is the Neighborhood Lighting Contest. Week after Christmas is unlimited Trash Pick-up.
5. Suggested Initiatives for 2011
 - a. Strengthen Block Captain Relationships with Neighbors and Board
 - b. GF Residents Leaf Removal Service Opportunity
 - c. Increase role of Website and potential of Facebook
 - d. Sidewalk snow removal
6. Next Meeting Location
 - a. (4th Tues: 8/23, 9/27, 10/25, 11/22, 12/27)
7. Adjournment