

MINUTES Greenway Fields Homes Association Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Saturday, June 30 at 9:30am -11:30am

Present: Barbara Martin, Wendy Trainor, Gina Valentino, Aaron House, Mike McAdam, JT Forristal

Agenda

A. Director of Parks

- a. Island/Park landscaping project (Katie)
 - i. A status report has been provided by Kathie Allison
 - ii. Some of the islands need to be weeded, which our service companies will begin taking care of.
 - iii. Wendy will check with David to see if any neighbors have been weeding the islands.
- b. Trees (Joe)
 - i. No updates.
- c. Lawn cutting of the 3 islands
 - i. Aaron's name has been removed from this responsibility
 - ii. No other updates.
- d. Empty waste basket at 63rd (Wendy)
 - i. Wendy has been taking care of emptying the trash can.
 - ii. The trash can needs some sort of lid to prevent water from getting in.
 - iii. Much of what is thrown away is dog waste, which is problematic when water enters without a lid.
 - iv. The board also considered rotating this responsibility. JT will take over on July 11, 2007.
 - v. Wendy will call the city to see what other options exist for getting the trash picked up from neighborhood parks like this.
- e. Entrance to Greenway Fields
 - i. We received \$2,500 from a trust for the plaques for the entrance and sent a note to Charles Rootes
 - 1. Charles really appreciated the note sent to him by Gina on behalf of the Board.
 - 2. Kathie talks a great deal about this project in her summary update. The plaques have been ordered and will be in by August.
 - 3. When Kathie had the entrance to Greenway bid, the brick mason remarked on the condition of the Meyer columns. Apparently, the columns are of historic significance and are deteriorating. If they aren't serviced soon, they will have to be removed.
 - 4. The cost to fix the archways will be \$15,000-\$20,000.
 - 5. Kathie will approach the Brookside merchants, the KC Historical Society, and PIAC about funding. According to Durwin Corbin, the more coordinated the requires, the greater the chance of receiving funding.
- f. 400 Block of Greenway Terrace
 - i. More than 51% must vote yes to get new sidewalks and replace the tops of the catch basins
 - 1. More than 51% voted and the project will begin in spring 2008.

- g. Fencing on corner of 63rd and Wornall
 - i. Aaron had survey estimates from 800-1500, but may get done for free
 - 1. Because of the issues with the Meyer columns and the entrance to Greenway, there is a chance that the City may have to tear down the Elms and survey the entrance to Greenway, meaning we will not be responsible for getting the survey done
 - ii. Cooperation with Wornall Baptist Church
 - iii. Fence behind church impacting Greenway Terrace residents
 - 1. JT says that this issue has been resolved for now as the fencing has been tightened, though the issue may need to be revisited. Also, the church has started landscaping, which has primarily been performed by church volunteers.

B. Director, Safety and Security (Mike)

- a. Snow Removal (Joe)
 - i. Joe reported to Gina that excess money was left in snow removal. Joe suggested budgeting the money for snow removal from the safety budget as snow removal is really a safety issue anyway.
 - ii. If we follow Joe's recommendation, which the board members present agreed to do, we need to notify the members of this change. We will provide information on this issue in the August newsletter.
- b. Catch basins (Katie)
 - i. These are not part of Phase L.
 - 1. There is confusion over whether these are or are not part of phase L. Gina will verify with Kathie.
 - 2. Barbara spent 40 minutes on the phone with the City earlier this week to get more information about phase L. She never got to speak with anyone who could provide her with information.
 - 3. JT recommended that Barbara call Robin at the City.
- c. Security Patrol (Mike)
 - i. July schedule (Gina)
 - 1. Mike will email Parsons about getting schedules ahead of time as this has been an issue.
 - 2. We have received complaints that people aren't seeing the patrol cars. We will put something about this in the August newsletter to point out the fact that the patrol cars are supposed to be in our area when the fewest number of people are home.
 - 3. JT claims to see the patrol cars quite a bit.
 - 4. The board agreed that the security schedule should not be made public information.
 - ii. Traffic Issues
 - 1. Mike will see if security can also give out traffic tickets and may recommend doing so for running stop signs.
 - 2. 63rd and Wornall Road
 - a. There are many accidents here. Probably because 63rd heading west past Wornall drops to one lane, as does Wornall heading north past 63rd. The board is concerned about pedestrians crossing in these areas as there are also few pedestrian signals at this intersection.
 - i. Barbara will call the 311 action center to start a study and to see if an existing study is in place.

- b. 63rd Street west of Wornall
 - i. There is a sign indicating that no trucks are allowed on 63rd street. JR will also call the 311 action center about this problem.
 - c. Stop signs at Greenway Terr. And Pennsylvania. Wendy is concerned because people run these stop signs. Wendy also feels that the stop signs are not well-placed. She will call the 311 action center.
 - d. 65th at Pennsylvania. Gina will call the 311 action center.
 - d. Sewers/Water Project (Barbara)
 - i. Phase L has been bid.
 - ii. We have been assigned into Phase L.
- C. Treasurer (Joe)
 - a. Finances
 - i. Joe is finalizing the budget with Clarence Foxworthy.
 - b. Delinquent payments from homeowners
 - i. Aaron will contact Fox to determine who is delinquent and how to handle (putting liens on houses, etc.)
 - c. Liens
 - d. Reimbursements/Disbursements
 - i. Barbara needs reimbursements for nametags and a metal stand for the June picnic
 - ii. JT needs reimbursements for the brats and propane gas used at the picnic.
 - e. Budgets, money mgt, and reporting
- D. Covenant & By Laws (Aaron, Mike)
 - a. Overview of initial findings
 - i. The restrictions cannot be modified until 2017. Notice of proposed changes must be made by 2012, and they must be approved by 2/3 of the association members.
 - ii. There still seem to be missing pages from the restrictions, though Fox has indicated they should be complete.
 - iii. Aaron will email the most current and complete version of the restrictions we have. These should also be posted on the website.
 - iv. Aaron will write an article for the August newsletter.
 - b. Opportunities for change
 - i. Home association dues are an issue as these have not been raised since 1917. It appears that dues may be changed yearly, and that the change of dues is not subject to the 2017 requirement.
 - ii. Mike and Aaron will continue researching this issue to see how to change the dues.
 - iii. This issue should be addressed soon in a newsletter so that if the Board does raise dues, the Greenway members will not be surprised by the increase.
 - iv. Each member of the board should begin reviewing the restrictions so that any proposed changes can be discussed.
- E. Newsletter (Wendy, Barbara, JT, Sally)
 - a. Advertisements (Scoop JT)

- i. May newsletter advertisers
 - 1. Advertising in the newsletter
 - a. The board agrees payment should be collected before ads are printed
 - b. Gina has created an invoice tool, which she will email to the Board
 - c. Gina and JT will work together (Gina is good at budgeting, JT is good at selling)
 - ii. Fees collected
- b. Articles (Wendy, Barbara)
 - i. Meyer Columns (Joe/Katie)
 - ii. Fee Assessments (just note that studies are being done) (Aaron)
 - iii. Home restrictions (Aaron)
 - iv. Security Patrol (Mike)
 - v. Rebudgeting snow removal (Wendy's message)
 - vi. Dog waste in catch basins (Wendy and Barbara)
 - vii. City Hazardous waste collection September 8
 - viii. NO fall garage sale
 - ix. On Hold
 - 1. Children's book illustrator
 - 2. The New Dime Store Opening – Fifi Widerman
 - x. Next issue: August
 - xi. All articles must be in by July 31**

F. Neighborhood Events

- a. Annual Picnic, Sunday, June 3rd
 - i. Remember for Next Time
 - 1. One person should be in charge
 - 2. Need more name tags
 - 3. Need more soft drinks, water, lemonade, ice (3 bags)
 - 4. There are concerns that only 1/3 of members RSVP'd and that the board needs to plan for more
 - 5. It is probably a good idea to have RSVPs sent to a board member instead of Fox
 - 6. Need commercial grill
 - 7. The fact that someone is a board members should be noted on nametags
 - ii. Outstanding invoices
- b. HazMat Collection, Saturday, June 9th
 - i. Remember for Next Time
 - 1. We had nearly 4,000 pounds of waste
 - 2. It took 2 hours after stopping time to get to the drop-off
 - 3. We need a larger truck
 - 4. We need more people
 - ii. City-sponsored collection
 - 1. There is a possibility of having the City provide this service
 - 2. There is a city-sponsored drop-off in the CVS parking lot at the southeast corner of 75th and Wornall on September 8, 2007

- c. Christmas Party, Sunday, Dec 9th (Barbara, Wendy, Sally)
- d. Garage Sale May 18,19
 - i. There will not be a garage sale sponsored by the association in the fall
- e. Holiday Lighting Contest (Barbara, Sally)
- f. Home of the Month (Wendy)
- g. Welcome new Homeowners (Gina)
 - i. Barbara will send a handwritten note to new homeowners

G. City Liaison (Gina) – no updates

- a. PIAC
- b. HACCD
- c. City Council
- d. Presidents' Luncheon
- e. Neighbor issues (Gina) and the 311 Action Center

H. Block Captains (Wendy)

- a. Status on appointments
 - i. Most blocks are covered
- b. Next steps
 - i. This is a slow process

I. Complaints (Aaron)

- a. Stucco on house 62nd has gone to codes(Aaron)
 - i. Aaron will follow up with Stephanie from the City
- b. Aaron called Foxworthy on all complaints. The complaints other than the stucco (e.g. the weathervane) issue have dissipated.
- c. Mrs. Dora Lashbrook's home is very overgrown. The board considered volunteering to help with her yard, but decided to wait for now.

J. Calendar

- a. January: Annual Meeting
- b. February: issue Newsletter
- c. March: end of March was Countryside's Garage Sale. Saturday, March 10th
St.Pat's Day Parade 2pm
- d. April:
- e. May: issue Newsletter. Brookside Art Fair, May 4-6, 2007, May 3rd Leaf & Brush
- f. June: Annual Picnic, Sunday, June 3, 4-6pm
- g. July: Patriotic Parade July 4th at 10:00. Week after 4th of July is unlimited Trash Pick-up
- h. August: issue Newsletter
- i. September:
 - i. Next board meeting Saturday 9/15 at 9:30 at Barbara's. This could change depending on Mike's availability. Also, the board can use the Baptist Church to meet.
- j. October: Garage Sale May 18-19
 - i. Cancelled

- k. November: issue Newsletter. Usually City-wide Leaf & Brush Pickup: All Boards Dinner is Nov 7
- l. December: Christmas Party, Sunday, Dec 9. End of December is the Neighborhood Lighting Contest. Week after Christmas is unlimited Trash Pick-up.

K. Other Issues

- a. JT has suggested putting a baby swing in the park
- b. The park needs mulch underneath the swings
- c. Barbara attended the City meeting on nuisance (abandoned lots, etc.) – there has been no vote yet
- d. Mike offered to speak to the board about municipal court issues and offered to approach the housing judge to also speak to the board about similar issues.
- e. The board considered a meet and greet with Fox.

L. Next Board Meeting (Sat Sept 15th 9:30am)