## Prairie Village Homes Association Minutes January 16, 2008

**Present:** Ian Bartalos, Susan Britton, Bill Chinnery, Sharon Chinnery, Susan Forrest, Richard W. Haun, Michelle Nash, Jori Nelson, Ashley Weaver

Absent: Susan Spencer

Guests: Britt Bieri, 4423 W. 69<sup>th</sup> Street; Deena Blake, 6739 Fontana; Mark Eddy, 4101 Prairie Lane; Das Hardin, 4217 Oxford Road

#### **President's Report:**

A previous administrator at HACCD failed to file the 990EZ form for the association. Under the new leadership, this situation has been corrected, and our late filing penalty has been waived for fiscal years 2005 and 2006.

# Treasurer's Report:

The October and November financials were mailed on 12-28-07. December reports are now available, and Michelle will begin working on the report to be submitted at the annual meeting.

## **Secretary's Report:**

The minutes of the November 14, 2007 meeting were approved as corrected. Approval of the September 19, 2007 minutes was tabled for approval at the next regular meeting. The secretary, having served in this role since 2002, requested that the Board elect a new secretary to assume this duty in the new fiscal year.

## **PVHA Annual Meeting:**

The annual meeting is February 20, 2008, in the Council Chambers at Prairie Village City Hall. Light refreshments will be served. The speaker will be Sarah Martin, Kansas State Historical Society. Ballots to elect people to fill three vacant board positions will be distributed through the PVHA newsletter. The newsletter is laid out so that the mailing label is on the page directly behind the ballot. The ballots will contain only the names of the candidates. Members of the association will have an opportunity to meet the candidates at the annual meeting. Candidates will each have two minutes to introduce themselves and tell why they wish to serve on the board. Members who cannot attend the PVHA annual meeting, may mail proxy ballots to the HACCD offices by February 10. A representative from HACCD will deliver the proxy ballots to the annual meeting. All ballots will be checked against the roster of members in good standing.

# **Deeds Restrictions Report:**

Ian Bartalos has researched attorneys with background and experience in deeds restriction enforcement. Through an email vote, the board approved the hiring of Wallace, Saunders, Austin, Brown & Enochs for the purpose of clarifying our deeds restrictions, particularly in regard to clarifying the definition of 1 ½ story. The firm charges \$280/hour, and the board approved an expenditure of up to \$1,120. It is estimated that the task will take under four hours. The PVHA documents have been sent to Wallace Saunders for review.

## **Island Report:**

The island at Alhambra & Buena Vista recently was approved for placement of AT&T utility boxes by the Planning Commission. The volunteer for the island, Marie McMorris, notified Ashley once it was evident something was going on. Ms. McMorris had previously contacted the City who told her that placement of these boxes was a compromised decision between the Planning Commission and the PV Homes Association. Ashley informed her that we knew nothing about this, never saw a letter, or got a phone call. Ashley thought this was rather frustrating due to the fact that anytime we change anything on the islands with respect to the plants, height, layout, etc. we have to apply for permits to make changes. While the city requires that we do these things to make changes, they don't offer the same courtesy by letting the Homes Association know of any changes such as this. Ashley attended the Planning Commission meeting in September where she spoke with Doug Luther who informed her that he believed a letter had been sent either to the PV Homes Association or HACCD. Ashley e-mailed the City Clerk, Joyce Hagen Mundy, on January 16, 2007 and requested a copy of the letter that was supposedly sent to the PV Homes Association. The reply she got contained a letter that was sent to surrounding residents notifying them of Planning Commission meetings to approve this AT&T permit. Ashley replied back to Ms. Mundy letting her know that she was aware that letters had been sent to residents, but was seeking the notification letter that was sent to the Homes Association. So far, Ashley has not received a copy of any letter that was sent to the PV Homes Association notifying them of this change. Ashley stated she would be attending all future Planning Commission meetings. If she is unable to attend these Planning Commission meetings she will ask another Board Member to go in her place.

#### **Public Forum:**

Deena Blake has recruited architect Bruce Wendlandt to serve on the ad hoc architectural review committee. Britt Bieri and Mark Eddy expressed an interest in serving on the architectural review committee and on the board. Volunteer opportunities will be announced in the newsletter, on the website and at the annual meeting. The names of people who express and interest in volunteering will be passed along to the appropriate committee chairs.

## **Old Business:**

By-Laws – Several members of the board suggested that by-laws should be reviewed and updated every three to five years. Ian Bartalos agreed to re-introduce this topic at the March meeting, at which time, a by-laws committee could be recruited from among the members of the 08-09 board. Although she is rotating off the board, Susan Britton agreed to be available in an advisory capacity.

Email Policy – tabled for discussion at the next regular meeting Financial Information Policy – tabled

## **New Business:**

Meeting schedule – The schedule for future board meetings will be determined by the 2008-09 board. In the event that the 08-09 board decides to meet monthly, rather than every other month, Susan Forrest has reserved the community center for monthly meetings.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Sharon Chinnery, Secretary