# PRAIRIE VILLAGE HOMES ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

November 9, 2020 Zoom meeting Minutes - Approved

Board members present: Cheryl Murphy, Jason Anderson, Elizabeth Jones, Lissa Haag, Pat Roberts, Maura Coleman, Leslie Bowman

Board members absent: Ron Nelson, Lacey Ransom, George Ransom

Guests: none

Meeting was called to order by Jason at 7:05 p.m.

Minutes from the September Board meeting were approved.

## Officer reports:

President, Ron Nelson - absent

Vice President, Jason Anderson - no report

Secretary, Lissa Haag - Lissa requested that we remove board member addresses from the city website. Our phone numbers and email addresses will still be posted. Board agreed. Annual meeting date was set for February 10, 2021. Lissa will contact the city to reserve the room for all of next years meetings.

Treasurer, George Ransom - absent

Leslie and Jason plan to step down from the Board when the new terms begin in February, so we need to find 2 more candidates. Be on the lookout for new members who might want to join us. Pat, Elizabeth and Lissa are up for re-election.

#### **Committee Reports**

Social Committee: Lissa, Maura

We expect to plan two socials for next year – assuming vaccine is available and we can get together in person.

<u>Communications Committee:</u> Jason, Lacey

Jason will get with Lacey to make sure a newsletter goes out. It needs to get to printer by Christmas to arrive in home in time for Board vote.

Over 100 people viewed our website when the article came out in the SM Post about chickens.

Unclear if the Google phone number issue has been resolved.

# Home of the Month Committee: Elizabeth

Eight homes were selected for HOM this year including two that were nominated by neighbors – which is great! The homeowners on Prairie Lane were very excited to be chosen. HOM is on hiatus until April. Lissa will check with our sign printer to see if they could print a new metal sign since ours has a few holes in it.

## Island Committee: Cheryl, Pat

It has quieted down for the island committee. Canopy will be doing a final clean up on the islands they manage in the next few weeks. Committee has spent \$15,226.13 to date but should be OK on budget. Actual budget is \$11,500, plus we have over \$4,000 in island donations from last year that were budgeted to be spent this year. We've lost a couple island volunteers, including the one on Tomahawk by The Village, so that island will likely be added to Canopy's list next year. We shouldn't have as many new plantings next year, since many islands were reworked this year.

<u>City council/deed restriction update:</u> Ron No updates

#### New business:

<u>Poultry restrictions</u> - Jason, Cheryl, Maura, Elizabeth

Shawnee Mission post reported today that a North Overland Park City Council member proposed allowing 2 chickens on lots with a quarter of an acre or more. It has not yet been voted on.

Question if the city brought in a health official to discuss the salmonella risk of having chickens.

Thus far there have only been 2 or 3 inquiries into PVHA regarding chickens.

The chicken committee created a new draft of the exception process as follows:

PVHA Chicken Committee Proposal v2 September 16th, 2020

The Chicken Committee unanimously agreed to the following steps to grant exceptions for members to house chickens per the Deed Restrictions:

- 1. The Board of Directors (The Board) will produce a Request for Exception form that echoes the requirements set by the ordinance passed by the City of Prairie Village. A change in City Ordinance will trigger a review of requirements by The Board.
- 2. The chicken coop/run will be greater than 15 feet from side-yard property line (extending the 10 feet required by the ordinance).
- 3. The Request for Exception will be signed by the requesting homeowner to certify understanding of the PVHA's requirements for this exception.
- 4. 100% of the requesting member's neighbors with adjoining properties will be notified of intent.

- 5. 50% of requesting member's neighbors with adjoining properties must sign the Request for Exception to gain exception from The Board.
- 6. HAKC will maintain the records of all approved and denied Requests for Exception.
- 7. Request for Exception forms to be considered by The Board will require a fee for evaluation and/or storage of the exception to The Deed of Restrictions.
- 8. Members requesting exception will be provided with literature that identifies techniques for proper chicken care (i.e. keeping a clean coop, maintaining the health of chickens) by The Board.
- 9. On approval of this policy, up to five exceptions will be granted within the first 365 days. If the board elects to not review this limitation, there will be no limitation on granted exceptions after the 365 day period.
- 10. The Board of Directors will review, and may revoke, a permit if it is made aware of any City confirmed violation of the City's ordinance.

# Questions on the proposal:

- -Does the notification include the neighbors across the street? Answer: No.
- -Question on why only 50% of neighbors have to give permission. Answer: It was a compromise between 100% and nothing.
- -Request to simplify #10 to "The Board of Directors will review, and may revoke, a permit if it is made aware of any violation"

HA-KC has agreed to manage the process and will notify us when someone requests an application. Cheryl will check to see if HA-KC will charge us to do this. If so, we will pass that cost on to homeowners.

It was noted that this proposal can be changed or amended at any time.

Motion: I, Elizabeth Jones, move that PVHA Board approve the proposal from the chicken committee with the changes as noted. Motion seconded and passed.

Discussion on if we should include this proposal in the next newsletter and on website. Committee to meet again to discuss where it will be marketed, create the form, ensure HA-KC is ready manage the process, and correct the changes in the proposal. They will also gather the literature that will be sent out to interested homeowners.

#### Deed restrictions -

Discussion was held about the cities Diversity Task Force and the subsequent article in the SM Post. It has long been our understanding that the language was negated by the Supreme Court in 1948, and in 2007, the Board passed a resolution that deleted the language (even though it was previously negated). We are not aware of any other steps that can be taken to legally remove the language, but will continue to research.

Cheryl to check with Johnson County records department to see if she can locate the document created by the Board in 2007 that amended the racially offensive language. Cheryl will also speak with Doug at HA-KC to see if he has the document and find out what he currently sends out to homeowners.

Motion: I, Pat Roberts, move that we look into hiring an attorney to see there is anything else that can be done to remove the racially offensive language in the 1941 Deed Restrictions.

Motion: I, Jason Anderson, move that we form a subcommittee to speak with an attorney and continue following up on this topic. Committee was formed of Lissa, Cheryl, Pat and Elizabeth.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35.

2020 Meeting dates:	
Monday, January 13	Board meeting
Monday, February 10	Annual meeting
Monday, March 9	Board meeting
Monday, May 11	Board meeting
Monday, July 13	Board meeting
Monday, September 14	Board meeting
Monday, November 9	Board meeting