



## Stone Lake Estates HOA Board Meeting Minutes May 17, 2016

**Board members present:** Deb Gardner, Elaine Stebbins, Sean Murphy, Karen Dubrow, Dianne Reis, David Tacher and Carol Troyer.

**Board members absent:** Linda Ali and Mark Johnson

**Homeowners present:** None.

The President called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

**Open Forum:** Nothing to report.

The President opened the board's working session at 7:03 PM.

### **Secretary's Report:**

- **Approval of Minutes:** — It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes from the April 19, 2016 meeting. The minutes were approved unanimously.

### **Landscaping Report:**

- 2015 Fall Grant: Funds in the amount of \$9,949 were received from the City of Plano representing the payment of the Fall Grant 2015.
- 2016 Spring Grant: Carolina Jasmine was planted along Parkwood as well as Burford Hollies; China Hollies were torn out; a few Red Tip Photinia were replaced; Mondo Grass was added. Tree trimming will be performed when the weather gets warmer to avoid Oak Wilt.
- Cleaning and refurbishment of the settling pond might need to be bid again as the company we were planning to use has been unresponsive recently.
- Lighting at some of the gateways will need repair and parts of the wrought iron fence have rotted out and will need repair.
- 2016 Fall Grant is being advertised by the City and we plan to submit a request for funds. The request is due August 1, 2016. Potential projects might include lighting at some of the gateways and replacing/repairing the wrought iron fence at the top of the spillway which has rotted out and needs repair.

### **Social Report:**

- No report.

### **Communications Report:**

- The monthly newsletter was distributed early May.
- The form of resale certificate was updated.
- The current Covenants and Bylaws were added to the website.

### **Safety Report:**

- Reports of incidents of people banging on doors and ringing door bells in the early morning hours (2:00AM to 4:00AM) have been reported. The incidents occurred over several nights/mornings on Tiburon, Pebblestone, Stone Meadow and Balcones. Police were called by most of the Homeowners. The only vehicle seen at that time was a large white sedan (with a Crown Victoria like body type) moving 5 to 10 MPH along Tiburon, Tree Farm and Stone Meadow.
- It was moved, seconded and approved to investigate purchasing and installing cameras and video monitoring devices for key areas in the Subdivision and reinstalling signs indicating that video surveillance is being conducted in the Subdivision. Such signs had been in the Subdivision, but had fallen into disrepair.

### **Planning & Zoning Report:**

- No new Zoning requests have been made that would impact the subdivision or the HOA Property or any adjacent areas. The closest case involves a rezoning case at the Tollway and Legacy.
- No new requests were submitted to the Architectural Control Committee during the past 30 days.
- Regarding the Plano Tomorrow Plan, the Judge hearing the matter allowed the “Plano Future Group” to proceed with their referendum demands. This ruling appears to be a setback for the City’s Plano Tomorrow Plan.
- A short discussion regarding the installation of speed bumps for high traffic areas to slow down traffic and provide disincentives for people cutting through the Subdivision was held. The Secretary will look into the legality, process and cost for installing speed bumps in high traffic areas.

### **Treasurer’s Report:**

- The checkbook for current operations has approximately \$83,000 (includes the recently received Annual Assessment payments and the Fall Grant payment from the City) and reserves in savings are approximately \$41,000.

- The Annual Assessment collection is winding down with 16 outstanding accounts overdue and remaining to be paid. Late notices will be sent at the end of the month with another request for payment of the principal amount, plus a \$25 late fee.
- It was proposed that the Treasurer contact Homeowners who are overdue and request payment as mail delivery has been inconsistent.

#### **Old Business:**

- **Committee to review the Bylaws and Covenants:** Progress of the Bylaws and Covenants Committee was tabled until the next meeting.

#### **New Business:**

- **Failure of certain dog owners to clean up after their dogs:** In response to numerous complaints, a lengthy discussion was held on how to encourage dog owners to pick up feces after their dogs and its proper disposal. While some dog owners are responsible and courteous to their fellow Homeowners, other dog owners are not and foul their neighbor's lawns, sidewalks and the pond area with feces from their dogs. Other dog owners pick up the feces, but then put the bagged feces in their neighbor's garbage cans to avoid putting it in their own garbage or walking it to the park. Still other dog owners simply discard the bagged feces in public areas. The resolution of this problem lies with changing the behavior of the discourteous and irresponsible dog owners. Ordinances of the City require dog owners to clean up after their dogs.
- Formation of a Welcoming Committee was discussed and tabled to the next meeting. The Communications Director will ask for volunteers for a Welcoming Committee in the next Newsletter.
- A short discussion was held regarding how to get email addresses for new Homeowners after the Purchase/sale of a home. It was suggested that a new email address for the new Homeowner be received in exchange for the resale certificate.

**Next meeting will be held June 21, 2016 at 7:00 PM at Tacher's home at 5920 Lodestone.**

**Meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM.**