

MINUTES OF THE PRESTWICK HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

December 4, 2008

Present: Jim Nolting, Sue Bloomfield, Rich Misorowski, Paul Koreman, Tom Barz, Bill Matevich, Rachel Gilmore

Absent: Janice Werner, Dan Smith

ENTRANCES

1. Lighting

Jim reported that Excel has begun the lighting project. The cost has remained the same as the bid at \$17,000 total. This cost includes lighting the address stones, as well as running the infrastructure to add more decorative lights in the future. Jim anticipated the cost of fully finishing the project to be between \$3,000 and \$5,000.

2. 2009 Prestwick Beautification Award

Sue and Janice will plan a Garden Walk where participants will vote for their favorite garden. A garden stone will be engraved and awarded to the "People's Choice" winner. Paul will obtain the rock.

- ACTION ITEM: Sue will write a blurb for the January newsletter for initial publicity for this event.

3. Beautification of Utility Islands

Jim reported that he spoke to Jerry Ducay who said PHA residents can add plantings around their utility boxes but that the Village will not be covering this cost. Paul explained how he has camouflaged his boxes with ornamental grasses. The Board asked Paul to put a flyer together to include with the annual dues letter offering to do the same for interested residents.

- ACTION ITEM: Paul will prepare a flyer for the January annual dues letter outlining his services with a ballpark price.

ARC

Manny suggested that the information about the exterior drawings requirement go on the PHA web site.

- ACTION ITEM: Sue will give the letter to Travis to put on the site.

SOCIAL

Sue and Janice will work on planning the Garden Walk (see above).

MEMBERSHIP

1. Discussion was held about the annual dues letter. Tom is meeting with Bill Kiehl of Liberty and will ask him if he will print and send the annual dues letter. He will also ask if it's possible to include either a Membership Information sheet for people to complete OR use Rich's Excel database to print off the current membership info for each person to make changes to/approve and then return with their dues information.

The Board agreed that the dues will stay at \$80. The letter will go out at the end of January with an initial due date of March 1.

SECURITY

No report.

WEB SITE

No report.

FINANCIAL

The Board reviewed the proposed 2009 budget and approved it. After the Excel expenses are paid, there is still approximately \$12,000 in the account, and that is before new dues come in.

NEWSLETTER

The next issue will be in late January. It will include information on:

1. Garden Walk
2. Lighting update
3. Security camera question (see below)
4. Annual "Why Join PHA" article
5. the directory ad letter and response sheet

➤ **ACTION ITEM:** Tom will ask Bill Kiehl if he is interested in printing the newsletter.

The newsletter will get sent out with the annual dues mailing if possible through Liberty.

GOVERNMENTAL

1. Jim reported that he attended the Village's strategy meeting to get resident input on litigation versus negotiating for concessions from CN. Jim feels that the Village has really done all they can to fight the sale, but now that the sale is going to be approved, they are

right to focus on gaining concessions from CN. The Village will fight for quiet zones and sound barriers.

NEW BUSINESS

1. New board members

Possible suggestions for new members included: Jeff and/or Jody Thieman, Rod Campbell, Tom and Kelly Wiese and Bill Kiehl.

2. Signs on property

Bill gave Jim letters that were recorded by McIntosh in the 80's showing that the "no signs" rule does exist. Bill said Jim can show this letter to realtors and can specify a set period in which the signs must be removed or PHA will start the legal process to put a lien on a property.

3. Recent burglaries

In light of recent burglaries in Frankfort, a resident has approached the Board to ask about installing security cameras at the entrances. The Board discussed this option and agreed it was much more feasible now that there will be power at all 5 entrances for the address stone lighting. The Board agreed they'd need a cost estimate from a security contractor.

- ACTION ITEM: Bill will talk to Dan Smith to see what kind of research he did several years ago when this question first came up.
- ACTION ITEM: Rachel will put a survey question in the January newsletter asking people to email Jim with their vote.

NEXT MEETING: Monday, January 12, 7 p.m. at Jim's house

Respectfully submitted,
Rachel Gilmore
Recording Secretary