

# Prestwick Homeowners Association Meeting Minutes

March 10, 2016

In attendance: Brandon Palmer, Tom Kazmierczak, Rich Misiorowski, Lee Hill, Jim Nolting, and Thelma Ablan.

Absent: Greg Bird, Tom Weise, Rachel Gilmore, Cynthia Manestar, Steve Larson, and Bill Matevich.

Rich moved and Tom K. seconded to approve the minutes of PHA's previous meeting (2/11/16). All present were in favor.

## ENTRANCES

Tom W. mentioned via email that spring cleanup on the entrances would take place by April 18<sup>th</sup>.

**ACTION ITEM: The Board asked if we will be moving forward with having the timers/valves moved away from the street. The Board also asked if we still have the spring bulbs to be planted in the entrances or if we still have them.**

## MEMBERSHIP

There have been a few home sales over the past few months; Brandon will email the addresses to Jim/Thelma to be visited. The possibility of establishing block captains, block parties, and home tours was discussed. Foreclosures and short sales in the neighborhood were discussed.

## ARC

It was discussed among the Board that in order to improve efficiency for ARC, the Membership Committee, and first responders to find homes in Prestwick, addresses need to be visible from the street.

## FINANCIAL

The new E&O policy premium increase was discussed. Jim agreed to give a copy of the new policy to different insurance agents to see if they could beat the pricing offered by PHA's existing agent. Tom K. also asked that the dues letter be mailed out in January next year.

## SOCIAL

No report.

## SECURITY

No report.

## WEBSITE

Brandon called Jason at Catalyst; he mentioned that putting a password-protected pdf file of the PHA membership directory on PHA's website would be no problem.

## GOVERNMENTAL

Rich and Brandon attended the Annual HOA Meeting at the Village Hall in February. Highlights included:

- 84 new homes were built in 2015 (down from 92 in 2014). There are 1,200 vacant lots located in various subdivisions around the Village.
- Sales Tax revenue is up to \$6.2 million in 2015 from only \$4.5 million in 2010.
- Village's sales tax rate is 7%.
- Emerald ash borer – 1,000 trees were taken out last fall and will be replaced this spring; there are about 700 ash trees left to be taken out. 34% of all parkway trees were ash trees.
- 30 new businesses opened their doors in Frankfort in 2015.
- Residents were reminded that the State of Illinois will not be mailing reminders to have emission testing on vehicles done. Mentioned going to the Secretary of State's website to check the due date for your vehicles.

## CODE ENFORCEMENT

Lee discussed homes sent to the Village's Code Enforcement Officer for review and enforcement.

## LEGAL

The railroad crossing on Harlem Ave. is in bad shape. The Village recommended contacting Canadian National since they maintain the crossings.

## E-NEWSLETTER

No report.

NEXT MEETING DATE: Thursday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 7pm at the Frankfort Village Hall. The Board decided to continue holding PHA Board meetings at the Village Hall going forward.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lee Hill, Acting Recording Secretary