Stonecrest Homes Association Quarterly Meeting

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Monday, August 6, 2018 7:00 p.m.

East Hills Library

Board Members Present: Mark Hausman, Gail Cunningham, Dottie Nash, Mike Putnam, Kim Westhoff

Homeowners Present: Teresa Bowman, Marian Bryan, Mary Jo Burger, Shannon Coates, Keith Cully, Larry & Johnetta Doolan, Sara Hagen, Loes and Bill Hedges, Martha Klein, Eileen Lockwood, Jean Mairs, Ronnie & Eileen McCauley, Carol Parson, Rick & Beth Ream, Ray Schildknecht, Portia Taylor, C. J. Vetter

President Mark Hausman presided over the meeting:

Attorney: Hausman introduced SHA's new attorney Gary Myer. He replaces George Murray, who retired. Gary represents other city HOA's, and is a former Stonecrest resident, plus has many years as an experience attorney for various St. Joseph businesses.

Homeowners' Violation Procedure: Hausman reminded all present that the SHA Board does not "police" the subdivision for Restriction Violations. Any homeowner can submit, in writing, through the SHA Website or to any SHA Board member, the address and nature of the violation. It is necessary to have a written record, so that the Board will have a paper trail. No anonymous reports are accepted, as the Board will follow up with the homeowner who submitted the information, and let the homeowner know what has been done by the board to correct the violation, or, if the complaint is not a Stonecrest violation, and therefore cannot be addressed by the board. All information is kept confidential.

Homeowner Violation: There was a complaint that new homeowners on South Stonecrest Circle have several cars that are parked not only in the driveway, but also in the street. Hausman explained that SHA has no jurisdiction over streets. A letter has been written concerning a trailer parked on the driveway, which is a Restriction Violation.

There was also a concern that there could be multiple families living in this home. Hausman stated that this issue would be difficult to prove.

Stormwater Infrastructures: This was again discussed. The city votes each year to decide if funds will be available:

From the City of St Joseph-RESOLUTION #42390. A resolution establishing a grant program to support the repair or replacement of certain privately-owned stormwater conveyance infrastructures, subject to annual appropriation.: Stonecrest Homes Association will pay 10%, upon completion, up to a maximum of \$2,000, for the replacement of privately owned stormwater infrastructure, providing Stonecrest Reserve Funds do not go below \$45,000. Proper written documentation should be submitted to the Stonecrest Board of Directors to determine that the request meets all requirements. Upon completion, for the Stonecrest homeowner to receive payment from the Stonecrest Homes Association the properly documented final cost for the project should be submitted to the Stonecrest Board of Directors.

Political Signs: Attorney Myers stated that prior to leaving office, former Missouri Greitens signed into law that HOA's could not prohibit homeowners from posting political signs. It was suggested by a homeowner that SHA test this by taking a homeowner that has posted a sign to court, the which was questioned by several present.

Construction on Eastwood: This construction to remove silt from the pond is complete, so all the construction vehicles are gone.

Yard Lights: Hausman stated that around 60 SHA addresses were submitted by a homeowner, indicating that yard lights were not in working order. Around five were "no such address." The others received a post card. There were some who responded that there is a problem with their yard lights, and they are working on it. Several responded that their yard lights were in working order. He thanked the diligence of the homeowner for reporting these but asked that in the future no more than six-yard not working lights be reported at a time, so that we may properly check before sending a postcard.

SHA Free Fall Yard Waste Pickup: Comparable date to last year's Yard Waste Pickup is Saturday, November 17th which is open, November 24th is Thanksgiving weekend and December 1st is open. It was decided that the pickup will be Saturday, December 1st. More information will be in the Newsletter, which homeowners should receive around November 1st.

Motion to adjourn was made by Putnam, seconded by Westhoff, and carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted Diane Slentz Executive Secretary

SHA Board Meeting

Following the board meeting, the board unanimously voted to accept Jane Hausman to replace Executive Secretary Diane Slentz, who will retire at the end of December. The board welcomes Jane and expects a smooth transition based on Jane's extensive business experience.