

**STONECREST HOMES ASSOCIATION MEETIN**  
**Meeting Held February 1, 2021**  
**ZOOM Meeting**

**Board Members Present:** David Sandy, Mike Putnam, Trenny Wilson, Mark Hagen, Shaun Agnew, Kim Westhoff, Jean Foster, & Jane Hausman

**Homeowners Present:** Lance Rich, Betty Akard, Brian Kidwell, Kathy Roberts, Joseph Kirby, Ralph Dishong, Sarah Hagen, Rene Rhyner, Walt Weiners, and Kristi Wilson.

President David Sandy called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and did roll call of board members.

Minutes from the November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020, meeting were reviewed. Mike Putnam made the motion that the minutes be approved, Mark Hagen seconded the motion and the motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** Beginning checkbook balance as of 10-31-2020 was \$62,636.19, income reported \$1,775.70, expenses reported \$6,518.64, and an ending checkbook balance of \$57,893.25. (Complete itemized treasurer's report ending February 1, 2021, is included at end of minutes.) No checks were presented for payment. Motion to accept treasurer's report was made by Shaun Agnew, seconded by Jean Foster, and the motion passed.

**Committee Reports**

**Executive Secretary/Office Report:**

**Current Year's Dues:** 20 properties remain unpaid on dues for 2020-2021, compared to 33 at the last quarterly meeting. Final reminder letters were mailed on January 9, 2021, to all unpaid residents. The letter stated if dues remain unpaid on March 5, 2021, liens will be placed on the property.

**Liens:** Currently there are 4 active liens, effecting properties.

**Advertising Income:** The SHA accountant was contacted regarding the income made from selling advertising in the past newsletter and if the income affects our "not for profit" status. The HOA's net profit (income from advertising sold, minus the cost of the newsletter) can reach a maximum figure of \$1,000 before any income tax would be taxable. Non-Profit status is not affected unless our net profit from newsletter advertising exceeds our annual income HOA dues. This would be highly unlikely!

**Spring Trash Pickup & Spring Waste Pickup:** Waste Management has been contacted regarding pricing and seeing what dates in May might be available for the two events. We are waiting on their response.

### **Compliance Committee Report:**

David Sandy has received several violation reports over the last quarter. These mainly dealt with the violation of “being in harmony with the neighborhood”. He has contacted all of them in person and discussed the violation with them. He then goes back and checks to see if the resident has corrected the issue.

### **Construction Approval Committee:**

Mike Putnam reported that there have been two construction approval requests since the last meeting. Both were approved. There are no outstanding construction requests.

### **Finance Committee Report:**

Trenny Wilson reported that she had investigated what options might be available for the money held in a CD that came up for renewal in December. She reported that the board would let the CD rollover for another year versus the possibility of investing in stock market.

### **Special Activities Report:**

Jean Foster reported that a successful Christmas Lighting Contest was held in December with 5 prizes given away. She stated that an earlier notification about a 2021 contest would probably increase participation. David suggested putting it in the Fall Newsletter. Favorable comments were made regarding the many beautiful holiday decorations displayed in Stonecrest this past Christmas!

### **Web/Social Media Report:**

David Sandy reported on a situation with the website which caused him many hours of attention. The WordPress did an automatic update which resulted in viewers not having access to many of the documents. Other than a couple of older newsletters not being visible, David has the website back working.

Lance Rich went over the two Facebook sites that show information on Stonecrest. The official site is “Stonecrest Homes Association” of which David is the administrator. The more grassroots site is shown as “Stonecrest St. Joseph”.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

**Dues Collection Update:** Jane Hausman reported that another past due resident had given Trenny Wilson a check for their 2020-2021 dues. This now takes the past due residences down to 19.

**December 5, 2020 Yard Waste Pickup:** Jane Hausman reported that the fall yard waste pickup was successful with only one resident being skipped over. The truck was located while still picking up in others area of Stonecrest and the skipped resident was taken care of at that time. A couple of calls were received by the office prior to the pickup date asking why the event was taking place so late. It was explained to the concerned residents that this was also when it was done last year to allow most of the leaves to fall.

### **Entrance Holiday Lighting for 2021:**

David Sandy was able to purchase Christmas Lights for the entrances of Stonecrest at a discounted price from Menard's in their after Christmas sale. (Communication via emails were sent to all board members for their approval prior to the purchase.) The lights are in storage for the 2021 decorating season.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Spring Newsletter:**

David Sandy is planning on a Spring Newsletter to come out sometime in March. He asks for any suggestions from the board on what items need to be included. This publication will be like the Fall 2020 newsletter which includes advertising.

### **Spring Trash Pick-Up & Spring Yard Waste Pick-Up:**

Jane Hausman has contacted Waste Management to get dates and pricing for the two spring events. When a reply from Waste Management is received Jane will email board members with the dates available and the cost. (The dates in 2020 had to be cancelled due to Covid restrictions put on WM's drivers.)

It was pointed out that we want to make sure that our events do not conflict with the City of St. Joseph's Hazardous waste dump dates.

### **Spring Activities:**

David Sandy requested that Jean Foster and Kim Westhoff investigate what possible activities could be done in Stonecrest for Easter and or Spring.

## **OPEN DISCUSSION**

David Sandy opened the meeting for open discussion for all residents joining the Zoom Meeting.

Betty Akard asked for an explanation on the program that had been implemented for the storm water runoff areas in Stonecrest. David explained that under some of the property in Stonecrest there are storm water culverts that due to their age have collapsed causing large sink holes in a few yards of residents. At one time the city offered a program where they would share the expense of doing the repairs and the SHA would contribute up to a maximum of \$2000 towards the cost as long as the city was doing the program. David explained that this city program has since been done away with and is no longer available. Mike Putnam mentioned that if Betty would like to know if her property has the storm water culverts she could contact the city engineering office and ask them to look at their maps.

Betty Akard also inquired about who the contact people are for complaints about Suddenlink and if they are under the "control" of the city and if not, who can she contact. It was suggested that she call the city. It was agreed that this is a hard thing to determine on who she should be in contact to register her concerns regarding Suddenlink. David Sandy asked Betty to please let him know if she finds out any further information about this.

Walt Wieners discussed with the board that he does not care for all the restrictions that Waste Management has in place for the Fall Yard Waste Pickup. The main areas of concern are the bundling of the sticks to a certain size and having to put leaves in bags. In a previous location where he lived the city provided a truck that went around and sucked up the leaves that were in piles along the street. David asked that Walt email him the city that he is talking about and David would call to see how this is done. It was discussed that this may not be feasible for the size of our development, but it was worth looking into. Walt also mentioned that he did not care for having the pickup in December and would like it earlier but understood about wanting as many leaves to fall as possible.

There being no further business, motion to adjourn meeting was made by Mike Putman, seconded by Trenny Wilson, and approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:12 pm.

Respectfully Submitted  
Jane Hausman  
Executive Secretary