

Austin's Colony HOA Board Meeting

October 6, 2015

Board Member Attendees: Eric Henderson (President), Joseph Mitchell (Vice President), Jacqui Peterson (Secretary), Pat Dallas, Jason McConnell, Patti Wade, Charles Grimes, Joe Contreras

Equity Attendees: Keith Clements

Guests: None

There was a full quorum so the meeting commenced. Eric Henderson, president of the Austin's Colony HOA announced the meeting open at 6.20 pm

Minutes

The minutes from the annual general meeting September 2015 meeting were read. Joseph motioned to accept the minutes as read and Patti seconded the motion.

Treasurers Report

There were no official treasurers report as Tony Tasillo was absent from the meeting due to illness. There was a brief discussion as to whether Equity should take over the duty of treasurer reporting although a board member should act as treasurer to monitor treasurer report.

CC&R report

There was no CC&R report due to absence of Toni from Equity due to illness. Toni from Equity is responsible for drive through to monitor CC&R compliance.

Old Business

- 1) Halloween. We will have the same plan as last year with hiring of off duty police officers to keep traffic moving on Settlers Way but with some tweaks. Eric Henderson will monitor traffic flow this year.
- 2) Quarterly Meetings. It was decided to keep with quarterly meetings plus any special meetings called to take care of business with votes by board members conducted by email.
- 3) Flags at Entrance. Patti will register with a website that informs when flags are due to be flown half-mast. The flags need new pullys and ropes but also need a lock because of thefts in the past. Currently a 5 foot ladder is needed to raise and lower flags which make it difficult to deal with. Pat Dallas volunteered to get quotes for this.
- 4) Flags in medians for holidays. Patti suggested US flags in the medians for holidays there was a discussion as to who offered this service. Patti volunteered to check on this and the price of it.

- 5) Annual Meeting. A discussion was had with respect to the annual meeting this year including a better method for homeowners to sign in. There was a discussion as to whether the previous year's annual meeting minutes should be read at the annual meeting.
- 6) Overdue Dues. Attorney has not been in touch. Joseph will follow up on this.
- 7) Architectural Control. Legal advice is needed for architectural control for those phases over 10 years old
- 8) Brick Pillars on Austin's Colony Parkway. Patti sent a quote for repair/replacement of these pillars in August 2015. The situation on the pillars was discussed. Four brick pillars need to be repaired or replaced but the fences at the pillars are the responsibility of the homeowner. We need formal quotes for the brick pillars. Patti volunteered to get these for the board.

New Business

- 1) Emails received from homeowners about matters appertaining to architectural control for phases that architectural control is now under the control of the board of directors. It was motioned by Joseph that the Carrabbas' be taken off the Email list so they were not bothered with architectural control questions for phases of Austin's Colony more than 10 years old. Patti seconded the motion. All board members were in favor.
- 2) Christmas lights. A discussion was had about Christmas lights for Austin's Colony entrance. A quote was obtained by Patti from ABC Home and Lights for a garland and wreath plus 36 tree trunks wrapped in lights. They will install and take down, we store the lights. The lights are ours. Year 1: \$1625.48 (includes cost of lights), Year 2: \$1000.93, Year 3: \$1000.93. They guarantee lights. For Garlands only: Year 1: \$715.87, Year 2: \$357.84. Currently our decorations are over 10 years old and failing. If we want to have a good show of lights we need to upgrade to a 30 amp system and not use the 20 amp system in place because the breaker box keeps failing. Charles said he will get more quotes for lights and Keith Clements of Equity will check what electrical work is needed.
- 3) Median Trees. These were suffering aphid damage and have now been sprayed by GT Grounds to rectify the problem.
- 4) Pleasant Rose. The issue of the walkway between two of the homes on Pleasant Rose was discussed. It is possible that the area can be re-platted at a cost of \$300. Other costs will be divided between the two homes. Charles motioned that the HOA pay for the plat application and Patti seconded the motion; all board members were in favor.
- 5) Empty Lot on Austin's Colony Parkway. The empty lot situated at the back of Williams Trace Drive has had an application to replat removing the easement that allowed a driveway from Williams Trace Drive to the property. This means that the sold property will have to have access from Austin's Colony Parkway. This situation was discussed in length due to the safety aspect. Joseph suggested that Patti draft a letter to the city that can be given to the attorney. Charles suggested the letter included objections to a) a lot directly on parkway and b) the easement was not upkept.
- 6) Landscaping. Due to the resignation of Calvin Wade who was in charge of landscaping, Patti Wade agreed to accept the responsibility of handling the HOA's landscaping.

- 7) Complaint about parking on empty grass lot. This is a police complaint and not a HOA violation. In terms of parking on street overnight while a HOA violation we cannot enforce it.
- 8) Speeding on Bullinger. There is no sign posted on Bullinger so Law Enforcement monitored the road after the annual HOA meeting and several speeding tickets were issued.

Jacqui motioned to adjourn the meeting and Jason seconded the motion. As there was no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8.41 pm

The next meeting will be on Tuesday 5th January 2016 at 6pm at Equity.