

NORTHRIDGE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING
MINUTES
August 8, 2007

Board Members

Board members present: Dick Geil, President; Lois Pedigo, Secretary; and Kate Sordelet, Member-at-Large. LeAnn Hillier, Administrative Assistant, and Carroll Marty, Green Space Manager, were also present. Members absent: Wendele Maysent, Vice President; and Jeff Mann, Member-at-Large. Tom Huisman, Treasurer, has resigned from the board.

Call to Order/Approval of Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. The minutes from June 13, 2007, were unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report

Current Treasurer Jeff Mann has graciously agreed to fill the position of Treasurer until a replacement is named. Although Jeff Mann was unable to attend the meeting, he left detailed comments for board members (see handouts). All bills are paid. Property taxes have been received. Three new accounts have been established at Greater Iowa Credit Union and money market funds have been closed at Bank of the West.

Approximately 29 dues remain to be collected. President Dick Geil will contact Jeff Mann and assist in collecting the remaining dues.

Mr. Chuck Schmidt has completed the audit. The accounts are balanced and accurate with a \$0.50 discrepancy. A journal entry will be made, and the books will go forward from balanced. Suggestions from the audit include: compile/identify a more complete database (the board is working toward this goal); disperse dues notices in early January and totally collected by March 1; more frequent deposits of dues with corresponding lot identifiers on each deposit for paper trail; running balance in the checkbook. The board agreed with the suggestions and will attempt to implement them.

Green Space Manager Report

Carroll Marty submitted his bill for general grounds maintenance work. His plan for this autumn is to begin removing willow trees on Willow Walk (two south of Ridgetop Circle this autumn and the remainder in the next 2-5 years). The trees will be replaced with pear or maple trees.

The walkway exiting Moore Park on Park Vista Circle damaged during home remodeling has been repaired. Manatts applied an overlay that matches the park.

Carroll Marty reported on possible bench types and costs, per homeowner request. The cost of each bench was estimated at \$150, in addition to installation costs (cement, labor). After some discussion, a motion was received and seconded to purchase and install three

cedar-colored benches this year. Carroll Marty will order the benches and the Green Space Committee will decide placement.

Questionnaire Results

Dick Geil reported on the results of the survey: New entryway signs: 41 yes/30 no; Solar lighting: 48 yes/25 no; Backstop in North 40: 43 yes/28 no; Summer social: 53 yes/17 no. There were many comments and caveats with several of the votes. Dick Geil will compile a synopsis to publish in the next newsletter and put on the internet site.

Summer Social

Lois Pedigo presented a bill for the ice cream social. She reported that people seemed quite pleased with ColdStone Creamery and the band was very enjoyable. There were 226 people signed-in as attending. We will continue with the social next year, as it seemed very successful and a majority of the people completing the questionnaire voted to continue it.

Garage Sales

It was raining on the day of the August garage sale; however, it appears to have been well attended with fewer participants. The board agreed to maintain two sales for next year, but adjust the schedule to May and September.

New Business

It was agreed by board members present that the Welcome Committee is a valuable asset to the NR community. Fridella Marty, per Carroll Marty, will gladly re-establish the committee and update the information/handouts.

The date for the annual meeting will be set at the board meeting next month. Dick Geil will speak with Danny regarding posting a monthly calendar (or list) on the website to include important NR community dates (e.g. annual meeting, social, garage sales, etc).

Approximately one year ago the board approved purchasing one solar light (for approximately \$xxx) to illuminate an entryway and test the product. Carroll Marty will go forward with the purchase. This was also approved in the questionnaire with a vote of 48 yes to 25 no.

Newsletter

The board would like to put together a small newsletter with information on the garage sale, summer social, questionnaire results, and bench plans. The plan is for all board members to contribute to the newsletter and then to complete a first time trial e-mail. It will also be posted on the website.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 12, 7 p.m., in the Greater Iowa Credit Union meeting room.