



Rustic Hills Improvement Association
 Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting
 Tuesday, March 10, 2020
 Stetson Hills Police Station, 4410 Tutt Boulevard

Board Members in Attendance:

Doug Eberhart	Tamie Farris	Roy Thompson
Stacy Sahlstrom	Brad Steininger	Jim Kelley

Others Attendees:

Kris Nordstrom	Marla Perry	John Trojak
Bev Smith	Bill Brown	John Dolve
Ed Bledowski		

1. Call to Order and Introductions:
 The meeting was called to order at 7:05pm by President Doug Eberhart. Board members and guests introduced themselves in turn.

2. Minutes of Prior Meeting :
 A motion was made by Jim Kelly to approve the minutes from the board Meeting on January 14th, 2020, and seconded by Roy Thompson and were approved unanimously.

3. Treasurer’s report:
 Treasurer Tracy Dunson was unable to attend the board meeting so there was no budget review. There was a small outstanding bill to 720 Media and it was not known if the invoice had been paid as of yet.

4. Committee Reports:
Bridle Paths: John Dolve, Bridle Path Committee Chairman, stated that he believed there was nothing that could be done about those members’ lots that were not in compliance.
 Two emails had been sent asking for the paths to be cleared and reminding residents that that the paths need to be kept clean in filing two. John suggested we could prioritize the offenders from the most grievous to the least and schedule discussions with the owners.
 Jim Kelly suggested we send a letter of non-compliance to each and updating the current covenants to allow for variances.
Architectural & Covenant Protection: Doug Eberhart and 3 others met with Laura Sabin who claimed discrimination in applying the covenants to the city. She was unaware of the HOA covenants and the need to submit plans for additional structures to the Architectural Committee. After the meeting with Doug and others she submitted her plans to Eric Younger for review.
Hospitality: Bev Smith, hospitality committee chairwoman, reported that 3 families had been visited sense the last meeting: They were the Servins (Nares) at 4919 Rocking R Dr, the Millers at 4926 Half Moon Dr, and the Kellers at 5003 Constitution Ave. They were attempting others as well. As part of the welcome baskets they were including a letter from president Doug Eberhart, bridle path information, and an invitation to events and the Juliet and Romeo groups.
 Bev

Submitted a bill for printing.

The Juliet group receives an email from Bev Smith about events and an invite to the entire email list is sent each month from the RHIA secretary. Bev suggested that the Romeo group notify the secretary on dates and times and an email be sent to the all residents each month as well

Trash: An email was sent out by Janice McLain, of Red Oak , stating that the trash would be picked up on Friday, but was picked up on Thursday creating some frustration.

Residents can sign up for recorded text messages from Waste Management to keep them up to date.

5. Mail Dues/Membership Letter in April:
Memberships expire on April 30th, 2020. Dues have been increased to \$50 annually and it was suggested that a letter be prepared and mailed on April 1st requesting dues be paid.
6. Set Date for Annual Meeting:
Jim Kelly reserved the Sunnyside Christian Church at 2023 N Murray blvd for 7pm, Wednesday, May 20th. We may be unable to hold the meeting due the Covid-19 Pandemic. The meeting may need to be postponed or carried out by mail. President Doug Eberhard will solicit and send out ideas on how this could be handled. The next board meeting scheduled for Tuesday, May12th 2020, was rescheduled for Tuesday May 5th.
7. Appoint Nominating and Audit Committees.
A nominating and audit committee must be established by April 20th. Stacy Sahlstrom volunteered to head the audit committee and Jim Kelly the nominating committee. Six out of ten seats on the board will be up for re-election
8. Budget for 2020-2021:
The bylaws state “ The Board shall present and proposed budget and prioritized goals for Approval of the general membership at the annual meeting” It was proposed that a budget showing where the money will be spent should be prepared by the treasurer. This will be discussed at the May 5th board meeting.
- 9 Other Matters:
Our new website, Rustichills.info is operational and a big improvement.
The Gale Fortney funeral was well attended for a very well know resident who was a great contributor to The Colorado Springs community.
Devin Edgar, suspected neighborhood flag thief, has a court date on May12th. There was an attempted break in on Brady Road the past month next door to the Steininger’s .
John Trojak was concerned about trash at the end of the Rock Island Trail on Powers due to homeless people occupancy. A deer was poached in the neighborhood, possibly by a non-resident drive by. There were reports of people harassing the workers constructing the trail around the detention pond but probably not residents.
Coyotes have again been sited and discussion was carried out about hiring a trapper but no action was taken.
10. Date for the next Board Meeting:
The second Tuesday for May 2020 will be May 12th. The Stetson Hills Police Station has been reserved at 7:00pm. The board will need to plan for the annual meeting and summer events.

