

ASSOCIATION - BOARD MINUTES - January 19, 2009

Meeting opened at 6:06 p.m. by Ron Ewart, President

Present: Ron Ewart, Bob Hayes, Keith Lynip, Donna Dietz, Mardi Milligan

Absent: Excused: Richard Chapman, Dick Hexter, and Ruth Hexter. Unexcused: Josiah Hodge, Alternate and Rod Austin.

Keith motioned to approve the minutes: Donna seconded. All agreed on the minutes of December 15, 2008.

Treasurer's Report

Ruth was absent, so there was no treasurer's report.

Old Business

BUDGET: There was discussion about the new Finance Committee with newly assigned members Rod Austin, Donnie Dietz, Ruth Hexter and Mardi Milligan. The Committee will meet before the next Board meeting to draft a preliminary budget, which will then be discussed at the February meeting. Rod Austin was unanimously voted to be Chair of the Committee. Ruth is to prepare a printout of the bills/invoices for special funds over the last year to aid in building the up-coming budget (who we've paid, summer picnic, reserve for incidentals, accidents, etc.). This printout will be available to the Finance Committee meeting on or before the actual meeting.

During the discussion of preparing a budget, it was suggested at least one other person assist Ruth in the billing paying process, just to "double check," in case of any questions. Donna has helped Ruth in the past, but for the last several months, Donna's schedule hasn't allowed it.

The Board ultimately would like to see a graph/chart of accounts depicting insurance, attorney fees, etc. Keith recommended if the budget lines up with the calendar year, the committee should meet soon. We all agreed.

GROUNDS COMMITTEE: Nothing new. Snow plowing has been good. We need to make sure plowing isn't done when the snow is supposed to melt that day. All the street lights on Sheffield Drive from England Blvd. NORTH to the last street to the north on Camden are out. This is only for NORTH of England Blvd. on Sheffield.

The bid to fix the lights now was \$650, or \$450 later. Trouble shooting may lead to more repair and difficult with frozen ground, especially recompacting. The Board could put fliers with updates on the houses with lights out. We could put a note on the message board saying the Board is aware of the problem, and repairs will take place when the weather is more conducive, perhaps early Spring. The Board is still looking into why this has happened, and will know more when repairing process starts. Ron will check out the lights on his way home.

New Business

There are still are some recreational trailers on Lexington and Concord that are being left on the street. They have been there since before the snow fell. The RV on Standish has been moved. In the past, Ron has left bright yellow flier on them and notified the tenants. With the pop-up trailer, this may work. Ron will do the sticker, Keith will make the call regarding the trailer.

ANNUAL AUDIT: Donna suggested PVHO Association have our books audited once a year to minimize our exposure to liability. The auditor should be someone completely separate from PVHO. Bob made a motion that the Board recommend the Finance Committee come up with the process of an outside auditor to audit the books once a year. Ron seconded. All agreed. This will be further discussed at the next meeting. The Board really appreciates Ruth and Dick handling all the bill paying by themselves during these past few months when Donna couldn't assist.

MESSAGE BOARD: The message board needs a statement of purpose for the message board, such as why we have it and for what value is it. For example, "The purpose of the Pleasant View Home Owners Association Message Board is to create a place for the neighborhood to exchange ideas in a constructive manner and for ease of communicating news and updates. The Message Board is not for putting others down or using hurtful words."

Discussion ensued to make it a moderated message board, with postings going through a moderator, who would censor it if it doesn't fall into the guidelines.

The Board discussed a "Double Opt-In," created by Brenda, our webmaster. Bob wondered if it could be done by requesting the lot number of the person responding, to verify the person is a resident of Pleasant View. Utilizing a moderator would take a lot of time, and Brenda might not have enough time to do this.

Since we've talked about a double opt-in several times before, Mardi made a motion to put our statement of purpose above the message board, have Brenda create a double opt for user accounts to post messages. The Board will review the message board again in three months. If a double opt-in doesn't change the tone of the message board, we can put a statement on the website saying, the public message board is no longer available. If you want to contact the board, contact us directly. Donna seconded the motion. All were in favor. We'll see if Brenda can configure a double opt in.

Meeting adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

Mardi Milligan, Substitute Secretary for Richard Chapman