

Four Seasons Neighborhood Association (FSNA)
General Association Meeting
January 19, 2012, 7:00 PM – Hunsinger Lane Baptist Church

Recorded by Jim Patterson, FSNA Secretary

I. Introduction

A. Opening – Les Allen

- Les opened the meeting at 7:01 PM. 11 members were in attendance.
- The annual letters with dues reminder and meeting notice apparently did not arrive soon enough for neighbors to know about the meeting, so attendance was light.

B. Minutes – Jim Patterson

- Jim read the minutes from the Nov. 10, 2011 General Meeting.
- A motion made and passed to accept them as recorded.

C. Finances – Judy LeClaire

- Judy reported that we have \$11,841.38 balance as of 12/30/2011.
- In December we paid the following expenses:
 - LG&E = \$548.27 (33 lights FSNA pays for)
 - Office Supplies = \$20.67
- 2012 renewal notice mailing costs:
 - Postage \$118
 - New supplies for that mailing about \$70
 - We stayed under \$200 for the mailing
- For 2011:
 - \$9,305 total dues collected for 2011
 - LGE total for the year was \$6,554.96
 - \$9,700 total deposits for 2011
- Total of 5 checks for dues received in December.
- A motion made and passed to accept the finances as reported.

II. Old Business

A. Membership

- We are currently at 266 paid members. (We had 304 in 2010, but a second mailing helped drive that up.)
- David mentioned that we should have a pretty good history of 6-8 years knowing that we can determine where membership will typically fall. The financial cushion (of a stated amount in the account) is not set in stone, but it was recommended years ago to maintain so we don't get in over our heads.
- Right now we have about 2-years of street light payments in the bank. So, we can maybe start looking at doing other things with the money.

B. Streetlights

- We want to put in more. With the buffer built in our account, and David's note about our track record of annual membership, perhaps we can look at installing more?
- Jim suggested that if we decide to do so that a streetlight committee re-review the locations and previous priority recommendations.

C. Waste Management

- Our verbal contract with Waste Management is good until June 2013.
- Judy and Elizabeth Walker stated that they were again charged the higher amount as of 2012 and had to call to get it corrected.
- We need to put a notice in the newsletter of this fact.

III. New Business

A. Meetings

- Should we look at moving board meetings to the 3rd Thursday? The group decided, yes, we should.
- 2012 Meeting dates:
 - Feb 16 – Board meeting
 - Mar 15 - General meeting
 - Apr 19 - Board meeting
 - May 17 - General meeting
 - Jun 21 - Board meeting
 - July 19 - General meeting
 - Aug 16 - Board meeting
 - Sept 20 - General meeting
 - Oct 18 - Board meeting
 - Nov 8 (2nd Thursday) - General meeting
 - Dec 13 (2nd Thursday) – Board meeting (reschedule if needed)
- Jim to contact Hunsinger Lane Baptist Church to change the online calendar for 2012 meetings. Remove Laura. Put Les as the main contact & Karen Bond as a backup. Give dates to Joni to put in the newsletter.

B. Newsletter

- Les reported that Joni is requesting we create articles and she can paste them in. She is working full time and going to night school and doesn't have time to create each issue all by herself.
- Judy suggested that we include an article on how recyclables are used.
- Karen mentioned that Hikes Point Business Association has dissolved.
- She also needs ads.

C. Yard Sale

- The date for the 2012 FSNA yard sale will be the weekend after Memorial Day – Saturday, June 2. We need to put it in the newsletter. 8 – 1 PM.
- Glenn Bond has the signs.

D. Raintree Cleanup

- Put the next cleanup in the Newsletter for the Spring Brightside Community cleanup.

E. Dog dropping

- One of the neighbors reported that there are bags of dog droppings hanging from the limbs of trees at the Summerfield II creek crossing, where some dog owners just toss them towards the woods and creek.
- We should put something in the newsletter reminding dog owners to dispose of their pet's waste properly.

F. Bylaw Amendments

- Les to get with Jim to discuss possible bylaw changes.
- Some of the things to consider:
 - Board meeting frequency, and when they occur – look at adding flexibility. Maybe meet quarterly?
 - Voting via email – consider? Adding flexibility. Discuss topics/issues by email, but if voting by email, there is a concern that no one will ever show up for the board meetings.
 - Specifying a quorum and what does “active members” for the quorum mean?
- Les stressed that he would like to make things simpler, try to get productive board meetings, and implement ideas.
- Les asked for volunteers. Jim to head the bylaws sub-committee. David Smith will help. Les, David, Jim will be the subcommittee.
- David mentioned that he thought amended bylaws must be filed with Secretary of State. He thought we should be able to do this online, and probably wouldn't need a lawyer. The state may charge for filing the changes.

G. FSNA Picnic

- Karen said she would love to have a picnic. Les mentioned that we need to have someone to chair it. Does Breckinridge Estates have a picnic?
- Karen to coordinate. September? We need to give her sufficient time to work on the coordination.

H. Snow Removal

- Summerfield beyond Petty Jay? Les' friend in the parks department suggested that we contact Kevin Kremer. Les already sent the email to Kevin requesting snow removal all the way back to the end of Summerfield. There's a school bus route that goes back there.
- Is there perhaps a neighbor that has a snow plow that can work with FSNA to provide an estimate? Put in the newsletter.

I. 311 Reminder

- Patty Lincoln wrote a nicely worded note to Les with a reminder for all neighbors of using 311 (Metro) to help keep property values up. In all cases Patti has used it, action was taken. Put this in the next newsletter. You can also use Metro 311 via the website.

J. Speed limit sign

- What is the status of a speed limit sign at the entrance to the subdivision on Summerfield? Les to follow-up on that.

K. Speed Humps

- Karen noted that BE has a lot of speed humps. How can they afford to put those in? Are their dues higher than ours? Les mentioned that Kevin had Metro match funds.
- No one has wanted to take a proactive approach on getting all the signatures for doing this for FSNA.

L. Block Watch

- No further activity? There's a block watch sign on Tempsclair. There's a faded sign at Chimney Rock & Winterhaven. Jim explained a neighbors attempt years ago to form one, but nothing ever happened, other than hanging that sign.

M. Vandalized Playground Equipment

- Les to send Kevin Kremer a note about the damaged playground equipment on the Church property.

The meeting was adjourned at about 8:05 PM.