

## Whiskey Creek Civic Association Annual Meeting

February 11, 2015

President Bernie Lamach opened the meeting at 7:10PM. Board members present were Dennis Rodgers, Karen Tice, Bob Oxnard, David Wallace, Dean Brown, Kate Gooderham and Jeanne McCafferty. Absent and excused was Joyce Alexander.

Bernie stated that the annual meeting was held in February in order to obtain all the needed documents to complete the accounting for the previous year. Bernie then introduced the Board members.

Kate Gooderham narrated a slide presentation of the achievements of the Association during the past year.

Per the Bylaws, the purpose of the WCCA is to promote the continued improvement of the neighborhood and to cooperate with other civic groups and various agencies of government. Kate introduced the Board and the Committee chairs. Nine monthly meetings are held and as of 12/31/2014, membership totaled 723.

During 2014, four new .meeting notice signs were purchased, our liability insurance was increased, both entrances to Whiskey Creek had Christmas decorations, and with coordinated efforts with MSTBU new street lights were installed at the McGregor entrance. A new WC website was added and email addresses are being collected to improve the communication between the Association and the residents.

- 1) Deed Restrictions: 28 violation letters were sent and 18 residents complied with the request.
- 2) Yard Sign There were eleven winners
- 3) The Pride Group, which helped maintain overgrown lawn due to foreclosures etc is no longer needed.
- 4) Obtaining a crosswalk at the McGregor entrance is still a work in progress
- 5) The Association attended the Urban Land Institute Workshop on the College Parkway Corridor.
- 6) Raised concerns and input regarding the new 7-Eleven station and stores.
- 7) Legal—Donated land under the bridge to Lee County and researched boundaries of the Lake as well as maintenance of the 2 weirs.

8) A Land Development Code Committee was formed. Residents attended four meetings. We had good input and good ideas. We want to maintain the character of our community. Kate thanked all for being members.

Bernie thanked Kate and all the dedicated volunteers who make our organization successful.

### **Officers' Report**

#### **Secretary's Report**

Jeanne stated that the minutes of the January meeting was emailed to the Board Members and no addition or omission were noted. Kate moved to accept the minutes as emailed. It was seconded by Dave. All were in favor and the motion passed.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

Karen read the Profit & Loss. Total income was \$7,939.00; Total expenses were \$5,441.25 with a net income of \$2,497.75. Karen read the fiscal year report 2-1-2014 to 1-31-15 .For the year, book balance showed total assets of \$120,595.01., cash flow for the reported period showed income of \$67,889.74 and total expenses of \$39,738.05 for a net income of \$27,079.15. Dave moved to approve the report as read. It was seconded by Jeanne. All were in favor and the move passed. Legal fees and the insurance cost are our biggest expense

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Deed Restrictions**

Dennis stated that the recent meeting held at the FM Congregational United Church of Christ was very beneficial and positive. The attendees approved of what we were doing. The committee will meet in March and address these issues. The revised version will be sent to those who attended. This is a long process. It has been already two years expense-wise; those are behind us now. Bob made a motion to accept the report. It was seconded by Karen. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Bernie thanked Karen and Ted who took advantage of a Post Office program which save us \$\$\$ on the mailing of postcards to 1578 homes by the deed restriction committee.

#### **News Distribution**

Larry was not available.

## **Yard Committee**

Gordon said that they had so many beautiful yards. On the committee are Joyce, Brenda and Gordon. Call Gordon if there is a yard you wish to nominate. It was asked if there could be a yard sign on both the east and the west side of Whiskey Creek. It is an added expense and time restraint for moving the sign and taking pictures.

## **Membership**

Ted stated that as of February 1<sup>st</sup>, a total of 200 families had joined or renewed their membership in the Association for 2015. Three families enrolled for the first time. Since December 1, 2014, a total of \$5,000.00 has been paid in dues for 2015 and \$32.00 for the sale of 4 WC license plates. A new process developed by the US Postal Service was used for addressing our annual mailing as well as the post card mailing for the Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> special meeting. This has saved us a significant sum of money. We are indebted to Karen and Ted Gault for all their efforts in setting up and running this program. We also appreciate Phil Guido's time and help.

## **New Business**

Our insurance is up for renewal on Feb 16<sup>th</sup>. The proposal is \$55. less than last year. Karen did check 3 other companies. The total is \$4,504.02. Karen made a motion to accept that insurance quote. It was seconded by Dennis. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Karen asked if the Board would make a donation to CROW. Jeanne suggested \$100. Dean made a motion to donate \$100.to CROW. After a discussion, Dean amended his motion to read \$200. It was seconded by Dave. All were in favor and the motion passed

Kate spoke of Survey Monkey (a company that does email surveys). This survey would be available to our residents so they could make suggestions for speakers/ subject matter to be presented at our meetings. Dean moved to have Kate proceed with the set up. Karen seconded and all approved.

## **Nominating Committee**

Michele Bennett announced that she contacted Bernie Lamach, Dennis Rodgers and Jeanne McCafferty. All three agreed to run again. Paul Matter and Susan Blacketer agreed with Michele, and she presented their nomination. Ted stated that everyone here in the room is eligible to vote. Kate asked for a unanimous vote of everyone in the room. Dean seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

## **MSTBU**

Bernie stated that MSTBU funding is 1% of our property tax. They can only spend money it takes in. He spoke of Larry and Pam Geiger who volunteered to help with the

plants at each entrance. They also watered the plants when the water pump stopped working. The pump problem should be resolved soon. Another plant problem was brought to Bernie's attention. This will be looked at.

### **Recognition**

Bob Oxnard stated that every year Lee County recognizes one citizen who has provided outstanding civic contributions to Lee County Government. Bob had the opportunity and pleasure to nominate Bernie Lamach. Bob's nomination article is added as an addendum to the February minutes.

Dennis made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:07PM. It was seconded by Dave. All were in favor. The motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jeanne McCafferty  
Secretary