

Whiskey Creek Civic Association Board Meeting

October 12, 2016

President Bernie Lamach opened the Board Meeting at 7 PM. Board members present were: Karen Tice, Kate Gooderham, Dean Brown, Paul Matter and Jeanne McCafferty. Joyce Alexander was absent. Absent and excused were Dennis Rodgers and Ron Frazer.

Bernie stated that our speaker this evening was Molly Schweers from Lee County Solid Waste Division..We will allow 10-15 minutes at the end of her presentation for questions.

Bernie mentioned that if anyone here this evening has a question to address to the Board, they may pick up a comment slip at the sign-in table, fill out your name and hand it to a Board member. We will make available 3-4 minutes for each person to present the remarks that they wish to make.

Bernie then introduced Molly Schweers, Ms Schweers thanked everyone for attending and brought good wishes from Commissioner Pendergrass who was unable to attend this evening. She mentioned that she heard on NBC2 that Lee County is getting about 50 tons of trash a day from the recycle carts. When the recycle plant sends that 50 tons of trash to the waste energy plant for final disposal, we need to pay for that. The cost is \$37.50 a ton. Recycling is a diversion method which tries to divert stuff away from final disposal. The Waste Division is now doing an information campaign to get people to understand why we need to recycle. Where would we put the next landfill? Ms Schweers is visiting groups like ours to answer our questions and show us examples of items to put in the recycle bin such as paper, metal, cardboard, plastic and glass. The recycled items get sold. Put items such as plastic bags, stringy things, shredded paper, clothing, scrap metal, food scraps in the trash bin. Much time and money is spent sorting out the unwanted items The Division also create energy from trash. She offered to give a tour of the facility to a group of at least 8. Just call. When in doubt throw it out. Ms Schweers brought informative pamphlets and recycled shopping bags for all. Question & answer section followed.

Citizen's Comments

No one had any request for citizen's comment.

Officer's Reports

Secretary Minutes

Jeanne stated that she had emailed the September minutes to Board Members. No changes were made. Kate moved to approve the minutes as received. It was seconded by Dean. All were in favor and the move passed.

Treasurer's Report

Karen read the Profit & Loss for Sept.14, 2016 through Oct. 11, 2016. Total income was \$554.02, Total expense was \$2,515.38 with a net income of -\$1,961.36. Dean moved to accept the Report. It was seconded by Paul .All were in favor and the move passed. The report is filed with the Secretary's minutes.

Membership

Karen read the membership report. As of Sept. 30, 2016, a total of 714 families had joined or renewed their membership in the Association for the year 2016. This total included 118 families enrolled for the first time. A total of \$17,990.00 has been received, including \$17,850.00 in dues and \$140.00 for sale of 14 Whiskey Creek license plates.

Deed Restrictions

In Dennis's absence, Bernie wanted to give an update on their activities regarding status of our deed restrictions. As mentioned at our last meeting, we had hired an attorney from the Becker & Poliakoff firm , a recognized attorney in legislative matters. She has worked up a document which shows the revisions that we would like for the Legislature to insert in the current MRTA Act that has been giving us a problem. It has to do with mandatory memberships and non-mandatory memberships. The Whiskey Creek Civic Association is a non-mandatory membership unlike a Condo or Homeowners Assn. It has the same structure that Tanglewood or Town & River and some other sub-division have because we are

not Condominiums Our revisions are trying to define the difference between mandatory and non-mandatory. The non-mandatory, such as ourselves, would then be held to a different standard which means that we would be allowed to make revisions or renew our deed restrictions with a majority vote of some number like 60% rather than the 100% We desperately need to revive some of our deed restrictions The language that was created by attorney Goin was submitted to each of our Legislators with the expectation that it will be entered into the Legislative process after the elections We are optimistic that the changes that Attorney Goin wrote will be accepted . Bernie stated that Dennis has been very helpful in this regard. Kate told of a separate meeting of the local members of the legislators that Bernie and Dennis need to attend.

Newspaper Distribution

Bernie said that he and Jeanne have been working to bring the record of distribution up to date. Jeanne is involved because she is trying to update the list of those in the district that volunteer on behalf of the Civic Association such as all the WCNews delivery people and so many others. We have a couple of vacancies which we are trying to fill. We are looking to obtain not only the names, addresses and telephone numbers of our deliverers but also the exact location of the homes that they cover. This will make it easier when there are questions of missed delivery Having an updated volunteer list also enables us to send out mailings and thank you notes to our volunteers. Karen has been able to help us with telephone numbers

Old Business

Pumpkin decorating/carving contest

Because of the success of the coordinated efforts of Whiskey Creek Civic Assn. and Tanglewood Assn. at the July 4th bike parade, the two Associations are holding a pumpkin decorating/carving contest. The Whiskey Creek Country Club has offered the use of two rooms in the Clubhouse and will also provide refreshment at no cost to us.

There will be four categories: Elementary, Mid-school, High school and Adults. Those attending will be able to vote for their favorites. Special medals will be awarded and the winner's names will be published in the Whiskey Creek News.

Signs announcing the event will be posted in the medians. Jeanne is to get John's permission to put up decorations at the entrance door. She also received small gift items for the children from a Tanglewood resident.

Old Business

Christmas Decorations

Kate questioned the need to start over obtaining Christmas decorations as our old ones were stolen. After some discussion, Dean moved to spend not more than \$100.00 for new Christmas decorations. It was seconded by Jeanne. All were in favor and the move passed.

Street Lights

Karen asked Bernie for any update on the street lights. Ron Kotkcamp has made a chart of which intersection would need lights. Bernie is to do a density study on each intersection. He is not ready to present that part yet. Questions were asked and discussed.

New Business

Mr & Mrs Buckley attended the meeting to discuss permission to build a replacement of a board deck to connect their present dock with their actual property line. It was discussed. It was noted that that the Board had expressed their consent through an email but Ron, who could not attend asked the matter to be deferred to next month's meeting. Bernie asked the Board to give it some thought and be ready to discuss it then. The Buckley are able to wait until then.

Jeanne moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 PM. All were in favor and the move passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne McCafferty

Secretary