

Carriage Square Homeowners Board of Directors Meeting

July 10, 2018 Minutes

The meeting, held at 1836 Clydesdale Drive, was called to order by President Mark De La Torre at 7:05 p.m.

Board members present: Mark De La Torre, Gail Kane (Treasurer), Geigy Stringer (Secretary), and Directors Bonnie Hoffecker and Christy McGrew.

Minutes from the May 18, 2018 meeting were read and approved.

President's Items:

The President reported receiving two submissions from members Perez and Atchian, both of which were approved with the requisite vote of 3 board members.

The President stated that old business items are not being completed, rather they are being carried over from meeting to meeting, especially the electronic communications tools. For example, Minutes are not being made public. Discussion ensued to determine who in attendance had access to the website other than the Vice President. The Treasurer offered her skills, and it was agreed that she would consult the Vice President about taking up the task of posting Minutes.

Old Business:

Director Hoffecker reported that she successfully distributed 5 welcome packets with her home-baked goods. While on that task she observed several members' bushes hanging over sidewalks, presenting a potential hazard to pedestrians who are having to step off the sidewalk into the street. Discussion followed, including suggestions that members be reminded in the next newsletter to keep their bushes and hedges trimmed clear of the sidewalk. Another suggestion was to hold a community clean up day. The matter was tabled for further discussion.

Secretary's Items:

The Secretary reported the change in ownership of 1265 W. Winnie Ln. on May 25, 2018, to K. H. Stillwell. She had not yet updated the HOA map nor member database to reflect this change.

Treasurer's Items:

The Treasurer reported no new monies received, however she had not recently checked the post office box.

Approval Form Submissions:

There were no new Approval Form submissions to consider.

Executive Session from 7:20 p.m. to 7:25 p.m.

The President requested an executive session. As prescribed by the Robert's Rules of Order, notes were not kept during this portion of the meeting.

New Business:

The President stated his dissatisfaction again about the Board's inability to timely complete actions.

The President stated that the community garage sale that was held on June 4, 2018 should not be publicized as the "Carriage Square Garage Sale." Reference was made to a prior advice of HOA counsel.

The President asked if the Board should consider hiring a new law firm, saying there might be an impending change in Allison McKenzie's staffing, come the November elections. The Treasurer commented that Allison McKenzie was very helpful to her transitioning into her office as Treasurer. Director Hoffecker commented that D. Ellerbrock, a partner at Allison McKenzie, is a member of the HOA and offered to speak to Ms. Ellerbrock about taking the HOA as a client if the current attorney is elected into public office and must leave the firm.

The President read sample verbiage of a "May-to-September Rule" and proposed that the Board amend the CC&Rs to adopt such an exception to the rule prohibiting trailers and RVs on member driveways between the months of May and September. He described the difficulty he was experiencing personally abiding by the CC&Rs in this regard. The Secretary said that an amendment to the CC&Rs would require a general membership vote and majority approval. She said the Board could instead choose to take a more lenient stance in the enforcement of the Rule during the summer months, when members such as the President are more likely to be actively using their trailers, boats and RVs. No resolution was reached on the matter.

The President pointed out that Director Hoppe had not attended any meetings in the past year, therefore he will request that Director Hoppe resign.

The President confirmed that the web redesign had occurred, but it did not have the "Information Page" link that he had requested and was agreed upon in past meetings. The Treasurer reiterated that she will talk to the Vice President to offer her assistance in maintaining web content. The President said he will ask member S. Loyd for the newsletter template, and the Secretary offered to assist him in word processing content onto any template he may receive from Ms. Loyd.

The next meeting is set for September 11, 2018, and will be the annual election of officers.

The Vice President joined the meeting late at 7:47 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.