

FEPOA Annual Meeting

Tuesday February 24th, 2015

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Twenty-nine member households were noted to be in attendance, including Proxies. A quorum was established. The Annual Meeting was called to order at 7:15 after member registration, refreshments the agenda overview. Discussion ensued around the agenda topics below:

- 1) Sign In, Register Proxies, Update Address/Name & Email
- 2) Welcome & Introductions / Dessert & Coffee
 - a. Roger Christensen, the sitting President welcomed himself and briefly went over the agenda.
- 3) Vote for Hand/Voice Voting
 - a. A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to accept voice voting for all votes including the election of board members.
- 4) 2014 Report & Budget
 - a. 2014 Activities were reviewed briefly
- 5) Budget & Dues
 - a. A general discussion of the budget & dues occurred
 - b. Discussed Insurance changes and cost savings
 - c. Discussed the need for a larger budget for trail maintenance/mowing
 - d. Discussion about keeping dues at \$100/member
 - e. Motion was made, seconded & a vote passed unanimously to accept budget & \$100 dues for 2015
- 6) Garbage Service Recommendation
 - a. Discussion on the garbage service occurred
 - b. The Board recommended keeping current service because it would be difficult to change and no one has made any complaints about the current service
 - c. Members made the suggestion that the Board, for next year, look into getting a better contract rate for garbage collection from the competing services
 - d. It was mentioned that other HOAs contract-out garbage service and then include the price per member in the Annual Dues, but this may be complicated due the different size service.
 - e. The board will investigate, as needed, future service but with an understanding that changing service will require everyone to trade-in their current garbage collection containers and get new ones.
- 7) Board Members
 - a. Current Board & Terms Expiring was discussed:
 - b. The 2014 Board was:
 - i. Alexandra Andreasen (Term expires 2/28/16)

- ii. Roger Christensen (Term expires 2/28/15)
 - iii. Chris Mitchell (Term expires 2/28/17)
 - iv. David Ramsay (Resigned in November)
 - v. Brad Reichert (Term expires 2/28/15)
 - vi. Shannon Spencer (Term expires 2/28/15)
 - c. Only two members from above Board remain for 2015
 - i. Need to nominate & elect at least 3 members
 - d. Nominations (Committee & Floor)
 - i. Brad Reichert and Roger Christensen were nominated for another term
 - ii. Brian Hayes was nominated
 - e. Discussion
 - i. Shannon Spencer has decided not to serve another term at this time
 - f. Vote for 2015 Board Members
 - i. A motion was passed, seconded and a vote was unanimous for the three nominees to serve on the 2015 Board
 - g. 2015 Board Members:
 - i. Alexandra Andreasen (Term expires 2/28/16)
 - ii. Chris Mitchell (Term expires 2/28/17)
 - iii. Roger Christensen (Term expires 2/28/18)
 - iv. Brian Hayes (Term expires 2/28/18)
 - v. Brad Reichert (Term expires 2/28/18)
 - h. The Board will hold a meeting in early April and elect officers
- 8) Other Issues/Floor Discussion
- a. 2015 Activities
 - i. The planned activities were briefly discussed and will be further discussed at the next Board meeting.
 - ii. An announcement of upcoming events (Clean-up Day/4th July) will be sent as the time gets closer
 - b. Trails Maintenance
 - i. This was discussed and agreed that the trails should be maintained by the Board. The Board was directed to get quotes, as necessary, to maintain trails, especially the exterior bridal paths
 - c. Mosquito spraying
 - i. The Board received a letter from the County regarding a request for HOAs to consider funding and implementing spraying for West Nile Virus
 - ii. The letter was presented to the membership (copies distributed)
 - iii. Discussion occurred around the issues with the general agreement that, if needed, the HOA should be sprayed to reduce the risk of West Nile Virus infected mosquitos occurring in our neighborhood.
 - iv. One member requested knowing when the spraying would occur, in order to keep his animals inside and save during the spraying event.

- v. The Board was empowered to investigate this issue further and take action as needed to work with the County & City to ensure that if spraying is needed it will occur. The costs seemed small based on the letter, but the exact costs were unclear.
 - vi. The Board will further investigate and inform the members if the spraying will occur.
- d. Projects
- i. A member brought-up the issue of the posts that need to be fix, replaced and maintained. He has done that in the past, but is now unable to continue that service and requested someone else to take this up, overseen by the Board.
 - ii. General discussion ensued about the posts and the need for the road to be kept closed to keep people from driving through neighborhood as a short-cut from College to Harmony. At least one member felt it was unnecessary to keep road closed ... most other members disagreed.
 - iii. Brad R. & the Board agreed to continue maintaining the posts.
 - iv. A member brought-up the issue of general speed of vehicles in the neighborhood, especially along Hogan. The discussion centered around the potential of investigating the use of speed bumps or speed tables to slow drivers down as several walkers have felt unsafe recently in walking along the side of roads since we have no sidewalks in the neighborhood. No specific action was recommended. It was unclear about whether the FEPOA or the City was responsible for maintaining the roads based on the Annexation Agreement. The Board will further investigate as needed. A few members did express concern about the use of speed bumps in the neighborhood and did not feel they were necessary.
- e. Landscaping
- i. Discussion occurred about the entrance landscaping. It was recommended by the Board that we replace the current annual plantings & maintenance with perennial green vegetation in order to reduce long-term costs and to provide a green cover during winter.
 - ii. At least one member liked having flowers planted, in addition to the idea of green vegetation and disagreed with the complete replacement of flowers but requested that some annual plantings also be added.
 - iii. The Board was directed to further investigate and take action to put in appropriate plantings and secure maintenance of the entrances.
 - iv. The Board expressed an interest in keeping overall cost & maintenance low.
- f. Bridge Maintenance
- i. Discussion ensued about Bridge maintenance
 - ii. The Board intends to have the structural integrity of the bridges checked
 - iii. The Board will maintain the bridges, with a minimum of getting them painted.
 - iv. Replacement or shoring-up may cost a significant amount, but it was felt that this is a critical issue that needs to be addressed in the near future.

- g. Investigate amending ByLaws to change Annual Meeting date
 - i. The Board brought-up the issue of the ByLaws with regard to the date of the Annual Meeting, which must occur within the 1st 60 days of the New Year. This appears to cause a problem with getting people to attend the meetings.
 - ii. It was requested to allow the board to investigate the potential change of the ByLaws in order to change when the Annual Meeting could occur. This would likely require a special meeting or voting at the next Annual Meeting and would require re-filing the ByLaws with the State. The meeting date may also be regulated by State rules for HOAs.
 - iii. The members voted to direct the Board to investigate the process needed to make ByLaw changes in relation to the Annual Meeting date.
 - h. Other Issues from Floor
 - i. A member wanted to share the passing of Hal Swope and how he was an active volunteer member for the FEPOA.
 - ii. A monument exists by the south side of the lake in his honor.
 - iii. It was requested that the Board consider doing an additional action to honor his recent passing. It was recommended that planting a tree in his honor in or near the Hogan Park would be an appropriate action. The Board will further investigate and take action on this recommendation.
 - iv. A member recommended a newsletter. It was further discussed. The Board agreed but requested that a new volunteer be enlisted to help with this effort. No volunteer immediately accepted this task. The Board will keep this recommendation in mind but will at the least inform members of up-coming activities through a mailing.
- 9) Adjourn
- a. A motion & vote for adjournment was made at 8:25 PM.