

UNIVERSITY HILLS ASSOCIATION OF HOMEOWNERS
REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
November 3, 2020

The monthly meeting of the University Hills Association of Homeowners Board of Directors was called to order at 11:32 AM by the president Tom Hopwood on Tuesday, November 3, 2020. The venue is a Zoom videoconferencing platform arranged to comply with the CDC's Social Distancing protocols relating to the COVID-19 pandemic.

A quorum of 10 directors was present including; Kathrine Pennington, Steve Hoisington, Anna Walther, Jim Wells, Rick Lindsey, Charles Schmidt, Michael Basoco, Sherri LeVan, and John DeMarco.

Others in attendance: Nicholette Mason, Chair of the UHAOH Communications Committee.

Minutes of October 2020 Meeting

Minutes of the October monthly Board of Directors meeting were distributed by John DeMarco via an email dated October 29, 2020. The minutes were accepted as presented.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report for the period ending October 31, 2020, was distributed by Jim Wells via an email of the same date. A list of responses to potential questions accompanied the report. Anna Walther asked about the status of the outstanding Grant payment from the City of Irving (COI). Jim Wells advised that he and Charles Schmidt are pursuing this with COI staff but no response was received as yet. There were no other comments and the Treasurer's Report was filed for the fiscal year's financial review.

Safety and Security Committee Meeting

Tom Hopwood recapitulated the main topics of discussion at the Committee's meeting held earlier today; (i) Traffic Situation on Rochelle and (ii) Flock Safety License Plate Monitoring, Capture, and Retrieval System.

A statement of the speeding problem is being prepared to enlist support from the Irving Police Department, UH residents, and others, e.g. University Park Estates and the Las Colinas Association.

Another meeting with Flock Safety is scheduled to gain a better understanding of their proposal as it might apply to our situation.

Also, it was noted that several residents have commenced projects to enhance their landscape lighting. This is a recommendation of the Safety and Security Committee as published in Our Neighborhood Magazine (October 2020 issue).

Membership Campaign for 2021

Steve Hoisington, Membership Committee Chair, advised that 2021 Membership dues will be solicited at the up-coming Annual General Meeting and that the 2021 Membership Drive letter will be sent to residents on or about December 1, 2020.

UHAOH Annual Budget for 2020/2021

Tom Hopwood circulated copies of the approved budget to board members via an email dated October 14, 2020.

2021 Event Schedule

Tom Hopwood referred to the Event Schedule for 2020/2021 as it relates to the approved Budget. This schedule is attached to Tom Hopwood's email dated October 27, 2020, which also served as the notice for today's meeting. There were no comments or corrections.

Annual General Meeting of the Membership (AGM): Tuesday, November 17

Karen Martin, event Chair, distributed a status report on arrangements for the AGM via an email dated November 3, 2020. Tom Hopwood led a review of its various aspects. Karen reckons that most efforts are needed from Board Members in encouraging residents to attend. Should their attendance be precluded, then residents should be encouraged to return their proxy form for voting.

Also noteworthy is the slate of candidates for election of Directors. The proposed nominees by the Nominating Committee and endorsed by the Board at the September meeting are; Kathrine Pennington, Nicholette Mason, Jim Wells, and John DeMarco. Any nominations from the floor will be considered, too.

Deck the Hills: Sunday, November 29

On behalf of Ottis Lewis, event Chair, Rick Lindsey advised that the lighting arrangements and the event schedule have been confirmed with the Electrician. Rick then drew attention to the COVID protocols now in effect which prohibit gatherings in groups of more than ten. With this situation unlikely to be changed, Rick moved that the usual event be cancelled and instead proceed with only the lighting arrangements. Sherri LeVan seconded and the motion was carried.

After further discussion, a modified event was put together with various inputs. The revised program would add onto the lighting arrangements and comply with the protocols yet allow for resident participation. It would include a Santa and the distribution of Holiday treats using a drive-through arrangement thereby ensuring a socially-distanced and contact-free experience. This revised concept seemed to find favor and Rick will outline the proposal in more detail for soonest consideration by the board members.

Our Neighborhood Magazine

Michael Basoco, publisher, remarked that the November issue was delivered in a more timely fashion which may bode well for the future. Preparations for the December issue are almost complete. Because of the two week holiday being taken by the production company at year end, the deadline for items appearing in the January issue is moved to the end of November.

Michael also noted that his work commitments no longer allow him to fulfill the role of publisher of Our Neighborhood Magazine. Accordingly, he's making arrangements with N2 Publications to secure an appropriate replacement.

Real Estate Report

Nell Anne Hunt presented the Real Estate Report in separate emails at end October. There are 5 homes listed for sale in the University Hills area with 2 of these being located in Alto Vista. Nell Anne also reported that the sales prices averaged \$130 and \$184 per square foot of living area for residential properties sold in University Hills and Alto Vista, respectively, over the past six months.

Property Appearance

Joyce Guedalia, Chair of the Property Appearance Committee, advised by email that 3708 Hidalgo (Vianey and Hassan Mansoori) is awarded Yard of the Month for November.

Heinz Simon Appreciation

Tom Hopwood advised that this discussion is postponed for the while.

40/50 Year Homes of Distinction (HOD)

Charles Schmidt reported that 27 Forty Year HOD were recognized this year. Each was awarded a special sign to display on the property. In addition, 10 Fifty Year HOD were recognized and each of these was awarded a special sign. However, there remain 15 properties in the 50-Year category yet to be judged because of a shortage of the 50 Year signs. Charles advised that the sign supplier is attempting to remedy this situation ASAP. He hopes that the judging of the 15 outstanding 50 Year homes will be completed soonest.

New Business: Little Free Library

Sherri Le Van will check with the Las Colinas Association about the status of their review of this proposal for Flag Pole Hill.

December Monthly Meeting

Tom Hopwood polled the board members present and the consensus was for holding the December monthly BOD meeting through the Zoom video-conferencing platform.

There being no other business to conduct, John DeMarco moved to close the meeting. Anna Walther seconded and the motion was carried. The meeting was so adjourned by the president. The time was 1:14 PM.

The next regular meeting of the UHAOH Board of Directors occurs on December 1, 2020 via the Zoom videoconferencing platform.

John DeMarco
Recording Secretary
11/03/2020

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