

UNIVERSITY HILLS ASSOCIATION OF HOMEOWNERS
REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
February 4, 2020

The monthly meeting of the University Hills Association of Homeowners Board of Directors was called to order at 11:35 AM by the president Tom Hopwood on Tuesday, February 4, 2020, in the Mira Lago I room of the Las Colinas Country Club.

A quorum of 11 directors was present including; Rick Lindsey, Ottis Lewis, Karen Martin, Anna Walther, Steve Hoisington, Charles Schmidt, Jim Wells, Nell Anne Hunt, Michael Basoco, and John DeMarco.

Others Present: Jennifer Austin, Managing Director of the Las Colinas Association; Lani Relucio, Chair of the UHAOH Communications Committee; and Nicholette Mason, UHAOH Volunteer Coordinator.

Proposed Affordable Multi-Family Housing Project

Tom Hopwood introduced Jennifer Austin, LCA's Managing Director. Jennifer provided information about the multi-story 100 unit affordable housing development being proposed by the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs. The project's location is adjacent to John Carpenter Freeway along Brim Drive. Jennifer advised that the Las Colinas Association is not in favor of this project and will recommend to the City of Irving not support it either. Jennifer noted that under TDHCA procedures, qualified neighborhood organizations have status in providing input to the review process. More detailed information will be forthcoming. After responding to several other questions, Jennifer left the meeting.

Minutes of the January 2020 Meeting

Minutes of the January monthly Board of Directors meeting were distributed by John DeMarco via an email dated January 28, 2020. The minutes were approved as presented.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report for January 2020 was distributed by Jim Wells via an email dated January 31, 2020. Responses by the Treasurer to potential questions accompanied the report. Anna Walther asked if payment to the Electrician was included in the DTH expenses amount (No). The Treasurer's Report was filed for the 2019/2020 fiscal year financial review.

Financial Review Committee

Anna Walther advised that the annual review by the Committee was about to commence. As evidence of the process, Jim Wells turned over a stack of Treasurer's Files to Anna.

Appointment of UHAOH Volunteer Coordinator: Board Supporting Position

Apropos discussions at the December meeting, Anna Walther introduced Nicholette Mason. Nicholette has agreed to become Volunteer Coordinator for UHAOH in support of the Board's goals and objectives. Anna recited an extensive list of duties incumbent upon this position. The appointment of Nicholette met with everyone's approval and well-wishing.

Board Identified Issues: Security

Tom Hopwood advised that the first meeting of the newly created Security Committee had been held. Other committee members are Rick Lindsey, Anna Walther, Ottis Lewis, Steve Hoisington, and Lani Relucio.(In an email dated February 10, 2020, Tom as chair of the Security Committee, circulated a set of notes from this meeting.)

Board Identified Issues: LCA's Architectural Control

Tom Hopwood related that LCA staff were made aware of the concerns expressed by UH residents respecting LCA's Architectural Control Committee review process. In this connection, Steve Hoisington advised that a position on the ACC's Residential Review Committee will become open soon. Better yet, LCA have given indication to Steve that he will be invited to join this committee.

2020 Membership Drive

Steve Hoisington, chair of the Membership Committee, reported on the progress being made in this year's Membership Campaign in an email dated January 6, 2020. At the meeting, Steve provided further details about the committee's plan of action over the next month, or so.

Event Liability Insurance

Charles Schmidt advised that the negotiations with the broker respecting the 2020 Personal Liability Insurance for UHAOH events were completed. The PL policy for 2020 will include coverage for the Social Mixer as well as the other UHAOH sponsored events. And there will be no increase in the premium.

Star Gazing: Saturday, February 29, 6:30 PM at the University of Dallas

Nell Anne Hunt, event chair, confirmed arrangements for this event. Nell Anne also welcomed Nicholette Mason's offer of assistance in organizing volunteers for the program. A colorful postal card designed by Kathrine Pennington will be sent to all residents to encourage their attendance.

Spring Fling: Saturday, May 9, 4 - 7 PM at Wingren Park

Rick Lindsey, event chair, conducted a thorough review of the program for this year's Spring Fling including activities, food & drink, volunteer assignments, etc., etc. Suggestions for change and/or improvement were solicited by Rick some of which can be implemented. Rick requested maximum efforts from everyone involved in order to make this year's Spring Fling the best yet.

Deck the Hills

Tom Hopwood asked about the status of the Deck the Hill event. Discussion ensued about various aspects including the purchase of new light displays. It was agreed that the critical element in planning for the event is the timing of LCA's installation of the new electrical connections. Ottis Lewis, event chair, and Tom Hopwood will liaise with Scott Wilson, LCA's Director of Common Property to ascertain that situation.

Our Neighborhood Magazine: Social

Michael Basoco confirmed details of the Social celebrating the Second Anniversary the magazine. Because space is limited, reservations are required. An invitation has been emailed to all UH residents.

2020 Residential Directory

Michael Basoco reported that the Residential Directory for 2020 is well along. The issue date is expected to be in April. Steve Hoisington asked Michael for a one-week reprieve in transferring the residential information in the Membership Database. This will allow Steve to ensure the latest data is incorporated. Michael was OK with that.

Real Estate Report

Nell Anne Hunt presented a Real Estate Report for January 31, 2020. There are 8 homes listed for sale in the UH area. Nell Anne remarked that prices are steady but the DOMs have increased a bit.

Property Appearance

Joyce Guedalia, Chair of the Property Appearance Committee, advised by email that 124 Santa Rosa (Alma and Jorge Gamboa) was awarded Yard of the Month for February.

Hidalgo Alley and LCCC Wastewater Projects

In an email dated January 29, 2020, Tom Hopwood circulated a status report from the City Engineer who is directing both projects. Closeout is expected to be accomplished by end April.

New Business: Board Meeting Time, Date, Location

In an email dated January 18, 2020, Tom Hopwood announced that the Board Meeting particulars will remain unchanged as a result of the survey he conducted. However, Tom may introduce some measures to shorten the meeting time, make use of tele-conferencing capabilities, etc.

New Business: Neighborhood Garage Sale

Michael Basoco requested that a re-review be made of the benefits for a neighborhood garage sale. This type of event has been done to good effect in other communities in Las Colinas, e.g. Hackberry Creek.

There being no further business to conduct, John DeMarco made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Rick Lindsey seconded and the motion carried. The meeting was so adjourned by the president at 1:04 PM.

The next regular meeting of the UHAOH Board of Directors occurs on March 3, 2020; same time, same place.

John DeMarco
Recording Secretary
02/04/2020

Approved X or As Corrected on