

Minutes
Heatherwood Homes Association
June 19, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 7 PM by Mark Allred, President. Lou, Rick, Craig, Mike, Harish and Susan were present as well as four residents.

The first order of business was the approval of the minutes from the May meeting. A motion was made to approve and seconded. Susan had nothing else to report.

Officer/Chairman Reports

Vice President – Lou is working on scheduling the next Happy Hour/Mixer. Tentative dates are either July 14th or July 21st. It will most likely need to be held indoors with air conditioning. Lou hopes to have things firmed up and an email sent out within the next week or two. As with the last one, it will be a cash bar and people need to make sure they settle with the server before leaving.

The Bridge Group is still trying to decide when they will play, afternoon or evening. The Book Clubs are doing well. There are two and they go year-round. The old book club has been in existence for a while and goes year-round while the new book club has met and chosen the book but is currently taking the summer off. The old book club had a luncheon and has suggested having a luncheon with the new book club. The Mahjong Club has not yet gotten going with any players.

Mark indicated we would still like to do an event in the fall and would like suggestions for a place. Mike suggested RC's in Martin City. Pinstripes is another possibility. Mike also said there is a restaurant in the theater in Prairie Fire that always seems to be empty because no one knows about it.

Architecture – Mike has approximately 15 different homes that are interested in replacing or getting bids for a fence. He has a couple of names for fence people he will reach out to and see if they will come out and give bids and possible discounts they might give if they were to do all the requests, as that would keep them busy in the same area for a good part of the summer. Mike isn't sure if the problem fences, approximately 5 or 6, are included in the 15 so he needs to map out the houses. He believes they are included in the group based on what he's been told. There are a couple of places that need either decks or stairs. Mark indicated they could go talk to the people involved when the time comes.

Painting – With Mark Hahn's departure recently, Harish has just taken over this position and is in the process of trying to learn as much as he can. He had questions about the schedule and wanted to know which year of the 7-year cycle are we in. Mark indicated that Mark H and Paul flipped some houses so what was painted doesn't exactly follow the schedule. Harish also wanted to make sure that when he is approving one of Paul's bills, he is approving the dollar amount that was agreed to. Rick told him yes, he is relying upon him to let him know the invoice is correct and should be paid. Several other questions followed including paint color number conversions and what to do when owners of duplexes want different colors. Discussion followed regarding these topics.

Lawn & Grounds – Craig reported that TLC implemented a 15% surcharge for gas. A resident asked if credit is given to people who mow their own lawns and the answer is no. The contract price is based on the whole neighborhood. Discussion followed about what happens if a yard is missed. We need to focus on the quality of the work TLC is providing. Our contract with them goes through 2023. In the future, we may need to decide if we want to continue with the lowest bid or pay a little more to get a little more. Although any company will have to deal with rain and staffing issues, other companies may be better prepared to deal with setbacks.

Treasurer – Rick indicated he and Rosemary have been communicating about new members. He sent out the financial statements prior to the meeting so board members could see where we are YTD. Financial statements are available to residents by request. The Balance Sheet shows a CD coming due at the end of June. He spoke with Enterprise Bank and was told their rates change July 1 so he will see where they are then and decide what term to make the CD.

No residents are 90 days past due. KC Disposal has not yet started charging the new rate. Rick has some concern about where we stand mid-year and feels we have a hill to climb to break even or close to it. The good thing is we are paying the last two painting invoices so that will help.

Old/New Business

President – The 147th St monument project will be moved to next year and put into the budget. The landscape plaques took up a large amount of the capital improvements fund this year.

The Little Library will be installed either in July or August.

There is an Amendment to the Bylaws which allows changes to be made by a ¾ vote of the entire Board of Directors. Mark would like us to be aware of this in the event it is ever necessary.

The directory is missing some info and it would be nice to get it so it can be filled in, if possible. This would involve going to the houses to get the information. Susan will put the list together.

With many of our residents on a fixed income and costs going through the roof, should the HOA set up a hardship fund to help residents with things that need to be done that they can't afford? Discussion followed regarding this and the issues that could arise and other ways something like this could be done ie. on a volunteer basis. Mark would like everyone to think about this as no decision has to be made right now.

Do we want to have a meeting in July, or shall we skip it and have the next one in August, since so many people go on vacation in July? It was decided to have the next one in August.

With no other issues to address, a motion to adjourn was made and seconded and the meeting ended at 8:10 PM.

The next meeting will be held August 16th at 7 PM in person at the Blue Valley Activity Center on 151st St.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan

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HOA Secretary