

STONGEGATE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES -2020

DATE: November 10, 2020 on Zoom Call

Present: Soch, Schmitzler, Fishbein, Gagne, Mitchell, Goodwin, Barraclough, Duffey, Borts, Schmitz, Palmore, Breton, Esch/Levanos, Dobieski, Hinit, Lamb, Sprung, Pinette, Raffio, Sewall, Stamieszkin, Stevens, Stier, Trachamowicz, Wilson

Present by proxy: Barret, Maxim, Burke, Russell, Rosen, Upton, MacDonald, Hughes, Brakeley, Agrodnia, Donovan, Landes

1 -The meeting was held by Zoom call and called to order by Sheila Pinette. Introductions were not really made, but a quorum was met.

2 - Jill Palmore/Tim Trachomowicz discussed the two quotes from Bauman Electric (with Tammaro Landscaping) and ITS Green. The difficulty of getting bids and the expense of trenching under the roadway were discussed and the poor condition of the existing lights. Safety/upgrading of neighborhood entrance was discussed. Ultimately, it was voted to go with the Bauman bid and try to lock in the price of approximately \$10,000 in the near future.

3 - Budget: We reviewed the documents that Lisa Stevens prepared and the proposed budget for 2021. A motion was made to increase the annual fees by \$25/year (except for the house on Mitchell Road), from \$175 to \$200. Discussion ensued about increasing the reserves for potential expenses (such as damaged trees). A vote approved the change, but a homeowner can contact a board member if the increase presents a financial hardship.

4- Holiday decorations will be done again this year by Maria Hughes and Daryl Negele.

5 - Given the current Covid situation, holiday parties and community gatherings are on hold.

6 - New homeowners were welcomed and invasive species removal/management, and mailbox/post colors were discussed.

7- Reminders about Stonegate in Cape Facebook Page (Jill Palmore, Micheala Goodwin and Jennifer Schmitz are the current administrators), www.stonegateincape.com



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6- Lisa Stevens, Sheila Pinette stepped down and both were thanked for their years of service.

7 - New business: discussion about tree removal and making sure by-laws are followed when removing trees from lots. Please refer to by-laws for guidance for trees and home improvements. Any significant changes should be submitted to the board for approval. In addition, the town can be consulted regarding trees in the buffer zone. There was some discussion whether any changes should be made to the bylaws to discuss renovations since all lots (but one) are developed.

8 - Nominations for the new board were read and an opportunity to self-nominate. No additional nominations were submitted so the new board was voted in as follows.

Jill Palmore - President
Tim Trachimowicz - Vice-President
Joey Breton - Treasurer
Heather Mitchell - Secretary

Lisa Stevens will continue in her role as Treasurer until the end of the year to close out the books.

The meeting was adjourned.