**Gardens of the Rio Grande Homeowners Association Board Meeting** 1 July 2019

**Agenda**

Call to order; Establish Quorum

Approve June Minutes

Treasurer’s Report

Landscape Committee Report

Gates Jeff Hanson

Fireworks Safety Tips to Neighborhood

Caution Label – legal within city limits; Warning – illegal within city limits

Have water close at hand

Report illegal fireworks to 242-COPS or 244-FIRE

Mosquito fogging

National Night Out – Tuesday August 6

Other Member Issues/Concerns

Adjourn

Board Members Attending: Kim Fusselman, Gil Clarke, Marilyn Showalter, Chris Bigge

Residents Attending: Dave Herstedt, Landscape Committee; Jeff Hanson (Gate Keeper)

**Mark your Calendar: The Gardens is registered for the National Night Out event on the CABQ website. The National Night Out is an opportunity to get to know your neighbors and Police/Fire.**

***Property Owners should address buckled sidewalks in front of their residence. The buckled sidewalks are a potential (significant) hazard.***

**Armand Carian is the new owner at 2638 Aloysia Ln NW.**

**John and Cathy Hubbard are new owners at 512 Cilantro Ln NW.**

**Treasurer’s Report**

An annual review of the HOA finances and procedures is in progress.

January – June 19: Total Income: $30,123; Total Expenses: $26,284.03 Net Ordinary Income: $3,838.97

(Expenses include Insurance, Permits, Gate Maintenance, Landscape Maintenance; Road Maintenance, Professional Fees, etc.)

**Landscape Report**

Weekly duties for Desert Paradise continued: hand pulling weeds (No Roundup); apply Scott’s Weed and Feed; remove debris and tree branches; remove weeds along ditch bank; purchase supplies.

South Common Area west side entrance Improvement Plan was approved June 21 by Mike Gonzales (MRGCD), Ditch Supervisor.

‘Tree of Heaven’ in the South Common must be removed.

Landscape Plans:

Complete the entrance improvements to the South Commons

Begin correction of sink holes in both South and North Commons

Refresh Bark areas

Plant additional honeysucles at wellheads in North Commons

**Gates (Jeff Hanson, Dave Herstedt)**

A new Battery Pack was installed at the Manhattan Gate (Mathew Martinez). Call Boxes are working.

There is an ongoing discussion of replacing entrance/exit gates with more robust gates for added security for the Gardens. The original gates were installed as impediments and visual barriers to discourage trespassing but are not security barriers.

One option is to install more robust gates with stronger gate arms and new motor controllers. The configuration of the new gates would eliminate the need for the balusters (bottom extensions). Aaron Dixon (Gate-It) would conduct a risk assessment prior to installation; gates would meet new codes. A preliminary estimate is that each gate would cost ~$6000 (to be negotiated). HOA finances may require the gates be installed sequentially rather than all at once.

The Knox Box at the Mountain Gate was stolen; the deficiency must be corrected.

**Mosquito Fogging:** Mosquito fogging was cancelled. Residents with infants and children/grandchildren were concerned about potential negative health effects.

**National Night Out – 1st Tuesday in August**

The HOA registered for the National Night Out (6 – 8 pm, August 6). It is an opportunity to meet neighbors and interface with community Fire/Police. More Information to follow to communicate the time and advantages of participation.

**Adjourn**

**Respectfully Submitted,**

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