

The Gardens Homeowners Association Board Meeting Minutes
November 1, 2021
6 PM Los Duranes Community Center

Attendees: Debbie Smith, President; Gil Clarke, Vice President; Jerry Simon, Treasurer; Shirley Hosler, Secretary; Marilyn Showalter, Member at large; and community members Kevin McCusker, Julia Clarke, Sandy De Salvo, Jeff Hanson, Dave Herstedt, and Gerry Rivera

Approval of Minutes: A motion to approve the October meeting minutes as written was seconded and passed by acclamation.

Treasurer's Report:

Checking account: \$23,755.63

Landscaping account: \$2,995.08

Undeposited funds: \$1,250.00

Total: \$27,960.71

Savings account (Road Reserve) \$61,875.14

Total all accounts: \$89,835.85

Budget: The 2021 budget, proposed 2022 budget, and the July through September income and expense statements were presented by Jerry Simon.

There are no plans for foreseeable future projects to be added into the budget other than a request for another picnic table for Laguna Seca. The community will be queried by way of a survey monkey before the decision is made regarding the purchase and placement.

A line item was added to the budget for the monthly expense of the board meetings and the annual meeting to be held at the Los Duranes Community Center.

Action: A motion to approve the Treasurer's report and the budget as amended was seconded and passed by acclamation.

President's Report:

- Thanks to those who supported the Social Event at the Postage Stamp (see pictures of the event on the website) and thanks to Kevin for the banjo and sing-a-long.
- Sorry for the mass email and responses regarding Halloween. We will use the website for posting news like that and will use a members-only section to share info among residents - see features to come.
- Candy donations - if you don't plan to freeze and keep your extra candy, I have two organizations that will send candy to troops. Just drop it off at my house (400 Laguna Seca) and I'll get it to them this week.
- I have cards from the Gardens for two of our neighbors, which will be delivered tomorrow. From now on, Marilyn agreed to send Welcome Back, Get Well, and Sympathy, etc., as part of the social committee.

Landscape Report:

No new reports other than the continuing projects that were delineated in last month's meeting minutes, all within this year's budgeted \$3500.

Security/Gate Report:

Gerry Rivera, Judy, and John Cooper have reviewed the security policies and will revise some of the older documents. Jeff Hanson volunteered for the committee as the gate codes present a potential security issue and the gate policies also need revision. Gate clickers are easier to track than cards and residents are reminded to please comply with the policy on Gate entry and safety located on the website www.gardensontheriogrande.com. Also as a reminder please leave your outside lights on after dusk.

CCR Committee:

CCR update - The CCR committee will meet next week to review changes needed to bring our CCR up to date. We will hold a "Special Meeting" of the Membership to vote on the Amendment to the CCR in December. We have also found a lawyer who will review the documents for \$250 per hour, at a minimum of 3 hours, so we need to allocate about \$1000 in our budget; The updated document will hopefully be filed by the first of the year.

Welcoming Committee:

Corrections are being made on the welcome letter. There will be packet given to new residents. The information in the packet will be scanned and placed on the website as well.

Social Committee:

Marylin is looking for some members for the social committee. Nico and Tracy Dayan have kindly offered to host a social for the super bowl. More information will be coming.

Old Business:

- Sidewalk buckling is still an issue. Residents please check your sidewalk for buckling and remedy the situation before any issues occur.
- There is nothing new to report with WOTNA
- There is nothing new to report regarding the fence at the elementary school although the school has been contacted.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Shirley Hosler 11/2/2021

P.S. If anyone is interested in learning how to play pickleball call Sky Gross