

## **Spicewood at Bull Creek Homeowners' Association Meeting**

**January 15, 2020**

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m. at the Balcones Country Club by Nicholas Sisak, president. In attendance were Dan Sieczkowski, Brian Schlosser, Karen Kolar, Karen Sieczkowski, Mark Griffin, Marc Raimond, Keith Essency, Glen Powell, Dan Kolar and Kim Treadaway. (An additional 22 homeowners were represented by proxy.) Nick presented a short summary of the year's activities. The major project was replacement of the entry sign on Pickfair Drive. The entire project, including removal of the old sign, cost \$12,500. The HOA is trying to work with the City of Austin to obtain city water to facilitate landscaping. The other project is an ongoing attempt to get the area across from the sign cleaned up and the building removed since the property is no longer being used and has attracted people who have set fires.

Dan Sieczkowski presented the Treasurer's Report, noting that he moved some of the HOA's reserves out of CD's to cover the cost of the new sign. Any excess income will be used to rebuild the reserves, which are held for unanticipated legal assistance. The source of the HOA's income are annual Homeowner dues and the file transfer fee required for the sale of a house. There have been only five house sales this year, down from the usual 8-10, which indicates the stability of our neighborhood. There were no Christmas tree sales this year. Three thousand dollars had been budgeted for social events, but with no social chairperson to plan and run the events, the money remains unspent. There currently is approximately \$1,300 in the HOA's checking account and \$12,000 in savings. Next year's budget is expected to remain the same, minus the amount spent for the sign.

In other old business, there was one request for architectural approval last year, which was handled by Brian Schlosser, vice president. The post of Architectural Review still needs to be filled. We also handled one lien, which was the result of an unapproved shed.

Additional discussion included an explanation by Dan Sieczkowski of the difficulties encountered in trying to get the area opposite the entry sign cleaned up. Complex and interconnected ownership/control of the property makes it difficult to find a responsible and responsive party. Other topics included the potential for changes in the golf clubs' ownership, operations, and land use, and the potential effect of Code Next on our neighborhood.

The election of Board members was unanimously approved by voice vote. 2020 Board of Directors are: Nick Sisak, Dan Sieczkowski, Brian Schlosser, Karen Kolar, Dan Savoie, Regina Schauer, Mark Griffin and Marc Raimond.

The next Board meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. in the Balcones Country Club on February 19, 2020, for the election of new officers.