

Stone Meadow Association

To: All Stone Meadow Homeowners

From: SMA Board

Subject: SMA 2023 Board Election

As you may know, the SMA Annual Meeting was held on Wednesday, October 11, 2023. Here the board provided a summary and status of association business and concluded that session with an election for a new board.

The election was conducted, and while two board members were announced, the results were incomplete as there was a tie for the third board position. Those who are tied for that position are Jennifer Mooney (incumbent) and Mark Smith.

We were unable to hold a runoff election at that time as some homeowners left the meeting once they cast their vote, so to complete this election, we consulted with our association attorney. We were informed we need to hold a separate election for this position. Similar to the last election, this must also be held in person and will allow proxy voting.

We are notifying all neighbors of the situation as we would like to encourage all to become involved and vote.

We wanted to also share the official voting process as it is new to many of us and we wanted to ensure all were made aware of it and had time to ask any questions.

Voting Process:

Each home represents one vote and one person from that home casts the vote for that home. Technically that would be one of the co-owners (e.g. husband or wife of the residence, etc.). We will accept a ballot from one of the co-owners.

All ballots will be made available at the meeting. Again, there will be two candidates listed and each homeowner is asked to vote for one of the two.

If a co-owner cannot attend, then the co-owner could identify a proxy who will cast a ballot on the co-owner's behalf. We've included a proxy form to use in that type of situation. There are fields that are required for the proxy ballot to be valid including:

- Name and address of the individual designated as the proxy
- The name, address and lot/unit number of the co-owner
- Such notice needs to be signed and dated by the co-owner and the proxy

The board, with the assistance of Jerry Minando, issued this mailing to all homeowners on Saturday, October 21st. Per our attorney, the election meeting will be scheduled **no sooner than ten (10)** days following the mailing. That said, our election meeting will take place at the Carriage House at Clintonwood Park on November 1, 2023 at 7:00 pm ET.

NOTE: All proxy forms must be given to the board prior to the start of the meeting.

Ballots will be available at the meeting for those in attendance to complete.

We apologize for the confusion around the voting process from the previous meeting. We inquired of our attorney what the election process is to communicate it to our community and found out that we needed a quorum in order to conduct official board business including an election, which we never had in the past, which was why ballots were mailed out following our previous meetings where elections were held.

We are aligned to the proper process now and will continue to follow it going forward.

Please reach out to Lisa Pooley (lmkenedy1220@gmail.com) or Jessica Dabish (jesshart04@yahoo.com) with any questions.

Thanks again for your patience. We look forward to seeing you at the next meeting!