# Hill Creek HOA Board Meeting Minutes December 16, 2024, 6:00pm at the Milton Library

In attendance: Board members Bill, Ed; Business mgr Lori; homeowners Jeff & Melodie

### **Election of Board President**

- After the October board meeting, previous president Debbie resigned from the board via email. Alisha, who had been elected president to replace Debbie, also resigned from the board via email.
- Bill was unanimously elected president of the board.

## **Business Manager Replacement**

• The board discussed candidates for the business manager position and selected two whom they will interview. Lori will contact them to set up the interviews.

# **Cost Saving**

- Lori presented a summary of the year's expenses.
- There was discussion on possible ways to cut costs, including the following:
  - o **Landscape Maintenance:** Board members plan to get bids to see if there is a lower cost option. Lori will get the current contracts from Alisha.
  - Water Meter: To stop the monthly charge for having a water meter in the park, the board voted to have the water meter disconnected. Lori will fill out and submit the form to Lakehaven.
  - o **Insurance:** A suggestion was made to look at the bylaws to see if they indemnify board members, which could reduce our insurance premium.
  - Streetlight Bulbs: Ed will call PSE to see if they will install more efficient bulbs in our streetlights.

## **Email Changes with New Website Hosting Plan**

 For years we have used email aliases like board@hillcreekhoa.com and manager@hillcreekhoa.com to facilitate communication between HOA and community. Those aliases were included in the price of the previous hosting plan but would cost \$150 per year under the new hosting plan. A suggestion was made to create free gmail addresses instead. Lori will try it.

## **Next Newsletter**

• Bill agreed to write the next newsletter, which would include a reminder about storing bins out of sight.

## **Bouncy House**

• It was noted that the board owns a bouncy house, which was last known to be stored at Alisha's house. Lori will ask if she wants someone else to store it.

### **Next Meeting**

• January (date, time, and location TBD)

Minutes submitted by Lori