

Worthington Hills Civic Association

Board of Directors Meeting

May 12, 2010

President Jim Hilz called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

Twenty two people were present: Kristin Grimshaw, Frank deLucia, Michele Bair, Laurie Roberts, Kelly Cotterman, Greg Cotterman, Steve Rosenberg, Bruce Hadden, Lisa Thomas, Jim Reardon, Tom Schwing, David Johnson, Jim Hilz, Sheri Jones, Donna Alexander, Andy English, Officer John Thomas, Cheryl Garrett, Ken Smullen, and 3 other residents.

The minutes of the April 21 Annual meeting were read. Jim Reardon and Andy English motioned and seconded they be approved as corrected. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Kristin Grimshaw gave the Treasurer's Report on behalf of Brian Engle for the month of April. Jim Hilz and Jim Reardon motioned and seconded the Treasurer's Report be approved. Motion carried. Jim Hilz and Jim Reardon motioned and seconded a separate capital fund be established. Motion carried.

Police Report: Officer Thomas reported several incidents in the Hills: A report of fraudulent credit card purchases on Caruso. The rear door of the elementary school was kicked in. There was a theft from a landscaping truck on Clubview Boulevard North. A burglary was reported on Blackstone: the thief entered a side garage door and stole 150 dvd's from a van. An arrest has been made. A report of ID theft on Clubview Boulevard North. A report of a theft of tools from a van on Circle on the Green. On behalf of the Chief, Officer Thomas reminded residents to lock up their valuables and cars. They also received three emails regarding solicitors in the neighborhood and whether or not they held a permit. Resident Bob Marren asked if there is some way to handle the unwanted solicitors on a community basis? Andy English will look into this on the township level. We discussed a permanent "no soliciting" sign at the entrance.

CELL TOWER UPDATE: Andy English has been in contact with residents and WHCC to find a "win-win" solution. The residents attended the recent WHCC Board meeting. Per Greg Steller, it was a good meeting and they postponed the vote. Andy proposed two alternate locations. Andy noted that communication with the club has been very open.

One resident remarked that Channel 6 had done a report on the tower. According to this resident, they reported the club is going to sell this property to Clearwire. He asked if this violates the original 1982 agreement with the club? Steve Rosenberg passed around photos of his home in winter to illustrate the

effect of the tower. He passed out a report listing property values of homes 500 to 750 feet from the tower. He reiterated his concerns about health risks. Steve thanked WHCA for our time regarding this issue. Cheryl Garrett and another resident brought up the devaluation of property due to the railroad tracks. Another resident with two small children, ages 2 and 5, said she will have to sell her house if the tower is built. A resident expressed his gratitude to WHCC Board for the reception of these residents.

Michele Bair brought up the fact that there are two registered sex offenders in the area/other side of the railroad tracks. She asked if we can get something on the ballot to change the required distance they live away from a school/neighborhood, similar to what UA has done.

A resident asked the WHCA board what our official position is on the tower? Per Jim Hilz, we did not take an official position – our goal is to find out more information.

There was one Nimitz Road resident present; they do not have a civic association. Another resident praised WHCA for being neutral and facilitating this process. Another resident said she thinks WHCA should take a position.

Reports of Committees:

Jim Hilz recognized Cheryl Garrett for her service as President for two years and presented her with a gift on behalf of the board.

PARADE: Ken Smullen reported everything is on track with the newsletter, theme, and parade marshals. He discussed the situation with US Bank. In the past, the parade committee has used the WHCA federal tax ID number. They would like to continue to do so with the new account at US Bank. Tom Schwing moved we furnish Ken with this information. Jim Reardon seconded. The motion was approved. We also discussed the parade time regarding PTPD shifts.

FIREWORKS: Frank deLucia is using a new company this year, Pyrotechnico. We have signed a contract with them. WHCC/PTPD/Frank need a meeting. Ken will set it up. Jim Reardon will attend on WHCA's behalf.

EVENTS: Summerfest is scheduled for July 25th. We need to confirm with WHCC. Sheri Jones is working on volunteers. The carriage ride date is reserved for 2010 and coordinated with WHCC.

MEMBERSHIP: Do we have membership packets? No. Sheri is sending a letter when she can. We have about 60 closings in the Hills a year. We need community volunteers to fill out this committee! Donna Alexander proposed a "Walk" just like UA. She also proposed a family rate, senior rate and single rate for dues. Frank De Lucia remarked there is no "silver bullet" to gaining memberships; we need a Walk. We discussed the boundaries for WHCA. Frank provided his historical perspective on past membership efforts. Next month we will spend time discussing the new chairs for these committees. Kristin Grimshaw discussed problems we had with returned dues notices. The culprit was "Return Service Requested". Next year, we will change it to "Address Service Requested" so things get forwarded. We will incur a \$0.50 charge per piece for errors. Deb at the main post office helped Kristin figure this out and can be reached at 722-9758.

SBB CARDS: They did not mail cards; they delivered them. Next year, they need to mail them. We might need to incur the postage next year on this. Feedback has been positive on the cards.

COMMUNITY SERVICE: There were 60 garage sales this year, compared to 32 last year. Next year, we need to use the web site for sign ups.

LANDSCAPING: We discussed the dead boxwoods/lilacs. Kristin Grimshaw and Jim Reardon motioned and seconded we pay up to \$200 for the lilacs. Motion carried.

GOVERNMENT/UTILITIES: We discussed recent zoning complaints. Tom Schwing discussed two recent water main breaks. Jim Hilz sent broadcast emails communicating information about the water main break on Clubview North. He received a few negatives in response. Jim remarked we need to focus on building the database.

SCHOLARSHIPS: We are receiving applications. The committee is in place. We discussed changing the deadline for next year to April 1 or April 15, to be included in the WKHS awards ceremony. Kristin will contact WKHS regarding this.

COMMITTEES: We will round out committee assignments next meeting.

CONSTRUCTION: Pave the Way sent an email apologizing for not showing up at the annual meeting.

Andy English moved we adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristin Grimshaw
Secretary