

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
North College Park Neighborhood Association
10:00AM. Saturday January 21, 2012
Doug Freeman's Home
1004 Rainbow
Richardson, Texas

Board of Directors:

All Directors present: Doug Freeman, Dick Rawlings, Russell Bowen, Gary Vaughn, Betty Verhalen, John Slaughter, Janice Gromadin, Lynn Neill, and Mike Petree. Also present were Cheryl Freeman, Michael Moraway, and Walt Gromadin.

Proceedings:

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER - The meeting was called to order at 10:15 AM by Dick Rawlings. He directed the meeting which included the following agenda items:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – A motion was made to approve the minutes of the November 19th meeting and it was passed unanimously.

Note: The working session of December 20th did not need to be approved, since it was a working session, not a meeting.

TREASURERS REPORT - Gary said that there was no change since the last report, which was \$5,422.37.

EXPENSE ALLOCATIONS – A motion was made to approve \$52.43 for Christmas bows bought on sale for this Decembers decorations and it was passed unanimously. Considering the season decorations, special thanks were given to Sandy and Russell for taking down last years.

A bill for \$46 was given to Gary for which approval had already been given.

A motion was made to approve getting 500 to 600 patrol logs copied for the Crime Watch Patrol and it was passed.

We currently need about 20 more booster signs. We can buy them in a lot of 50 for \$8.22 each or in a lot of 100 for \$4.83 each. The poles are \$2 each and there is no quantity discount. A motion was made to OK the expenditure for 100 Booster signs and 50 poles and was unanimously passed.

The metal multiple-use median signs will also be a future expense but the cost for them has not been finalized.

WINDSONG/GLENVILLE BRIDGE ENHANCEMENTS – The solicitation for votes for choosing which of the tow bridge enhancement for the Glenville/Windsong bridge railings was sent out in an email. There were 26 responses. 22 liked the 4 column enhancement and 2 voted for the 2 pillar enhancement. 2 others made comments but didn't vote for one of the two selections. Dick forwarded the results to the City of Richardson for them to act on. Except for following the cities developmental steps, NCPNA has no further agenda items related to the bridge enhancements.

SIGN TOPPERS – There was more discussion of the proposed Sign topper designs and the selection process that would point to a long sought finalization. First it was agreed that the “sun rising” designs would be dropped from consideration. Then various designs that included the compass logo were considered. A motion was made to accept a sign with the full compass logo and it passed seven to two. Final variation choices will be sent to the Board Members for a vote to reduce the designs to the two most acceptable. After mention in the monthly newsletter, the winning two will face a vote by the active members in an email to be sent out February 15th. The sign topper design will then be submitted to the City of Richardson for approval. Difficulties with city approval are not expected.

MEMBERSHIP STATUS REPORT - There are now 145 active members which is up from last year.

NEIGHBORHOOD GARAGE SALE – The Date for the garage sale is set for Saturday, March 31. We will need median signs put up the morning of the 31st. Advertising is planned and mention is planned for the February and March Newsletters. Doug plans to present advertising expenses at the March Meeting.

CRIME WATCH – For medical reasons there was a missed Crime Watch meeting last month. John LaGreca. will take over the next 6 months and Doug will do the statistics. It was also pointed out that there were one hundred more hours of Crime Watch patrol than last year.

Dick brought up that there are about 27,000 homes in Richardson. 23,000 are in areas with home owners associations. Many of the neighborhood associations have crime patrols which are considered to be a factor in an overall reduction in crime. For our part, we are still working toward the goal of getting an email address for every home in the neighborhood. At this point we have 204. Russell wrote a letter to attract more email addresses titled “Help us keep you informed.” Having more addresses will make it easier to keep the whole neighborhood informed with safety tips and warnings. Plans are for the letter to be handed out by block captains. John pointed out that there is a button to sign up for the newsletter on the

neighborhood web page. There was then a discussion of how to balance the amount of information should be in the letter and how much should be directed at getting people to go to the neighborhood web site. Further discussion was tabled until the next meeting. In closing, Russell mentioned that it would take about \$40 to get the letter printed up and ready to be disseminated.

NORTH TEXAS MUNICIPIAL WATER DISTRICT – Stage 3 water restrictions are still in effect.

CITY OF RICHARDSON – The City of Richardson has a new program for monitoring rental property. Also there is a registration process for rental property that includes making sure that rental properties pass a Rental Registration Program Report.

Also, it was mentioned that the City of Richardson is continuing to work toward the demolition of the nearby condemned apartments.

BLOCK CAPTAINS – Russell noted a general meeting with the Block Captains on February 2, at Twin Rivers.

MEETING ADJOURNED – Motion made to adjourn m at 11:32 AM and was passed unanimously.

The next meeting of the BOD is Saturday February the 25th.

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