

WNA Meeting Minutes  
May 26, 2011  
Chris Shexnayder's House 7:00 pm

In attendance: Chris Shexnayder, Jan Boswell, Barbara Huffman, and Trudy Hasan (a quorum).

1. Jan presented the Treasurer's report. We have 133 homeowners paying dues so far this year. This is an increase of six since last month. Gary may also have a few more membership checks from his Brush Country right of way membership walk.
2. The April 2011 minutes were approved.
3. Membership Committee Update: it's hard to get people to answer their door, but when they do the response is generally positive, with most signing up to be WNA members.
4. Brush Country Right of Way: We have received about seven mowing payments so far. That is enough to get the summer mowing season started. Barb has a neighbor who is a UT student looking for summer work such as mowing. Chris S. motioned that we approve \$75 for a one time mowing of the right of way. Seconded and approved by all.
5. 2011 Budget: ask Chris M. for follow up on budget spreadsheet for next meeting.
6. Real Estate information on website: Jennifer will follow up on this at the next meeting.
7. 4504 Yellow Rose Trail: there had been a complaint that the homeowner was clearing trees and rocks from the creek behind the house and using the rocks for landscaping in front. Also, movies are being shown on a large screen in the back yard late at night. Discussed briefly and "no action" was recommended. The creek clearing is likely not detrimental to water flow and if the movies are too loud, then neighbors can call 311.
8. Yard of the Month: Ben & Carol Coughran were presented the April YOM. Barb brought the old sponsorship sign to have a new one made to show Mandola's as a YOM sponsor (Chris Morris to take care of this). Barb also mentioned that she spoke with Jeff at Emerald Gardens and he is happy to continue being a YOM sponsor. For May, the YOM will be presented to 5006 Summerset.
9. Keep Austin Beautiful Grant: the deadline for this grant application is July 9<sup>th</sup>. Discussed planting along Brush Country but we really need a permanent water source to make that a viable project. Decided to apply for funds to further improve and maintain the Patton butterfly garden, as better drainage is needed along with more mulch. Trudy will prepare the grant application.
10. Newsletter: Peel, Inc. has dropped us from their monthly newsletter distribution. However, a woman moving into Westcreek next month has offered her editorial services to prepare an online version of our newsletter. Discussed frequency and format. Decided on a March-June-September-December quarterly email newsletter that will cover yard of the month announcements, garage sales, back to school and Fall picnic, holiday lights, the annual meeting, etc. Chris S. already has a couple of articles ready and we can post the April, May, and June YOM winners. The newsletters will go out toward the end of each quarter.

11. Code Enforcement – Michael Mills, a code enforcement officer with the City of Austin, has offered to come speak to our group. Chris S. will invite him to the annual meeting in January.
12. Patton Landscaping: discussed draft letter and what time of year the donation will be made. Agreed to make the yearly donation at the beginning of the academic school year. Trudy will revise the letter accordingly.
13. Next meeting: Thursday June 16<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm at Chris Morris' house (if available).

Meeting Adjourned 8:45 pm.