

WESTCREEK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION  
EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES  
AUGUST 19, 2009

Meeting called to order by President, Chris Schexnayder at 7:03 PM

Members present: Jan Boswell, Trudy Hasan, Judy Jefferson, Chris Schexnayer and Nick Weynand

1. Treasurer's Report: One Hundred Thirty-Six homeowners (136) have paid dues for 2009. After checks received since the last meeting total cash available is \$14,484.16. We have one CD in the amount of \$8,625.65, maturing September 28, 2009. Cash available in the checking account is \$5,858.51. Jan informed the board we have a week after the CD matures to make a decision on the length of renewal. Since the board will meet before September 28<sup>th</sup> a vote will be taken by e-mail to determine the length of renewal and what the CD rates are for a six month, one year, or possibly longer.

2. Approval of Minutes: Motion was made by Judy and seconded by Nick to approve the minutes from July 15, 2009. Motion carried.

3. Traffic on Summerset: A discussion followed on a speed display sign and speed bumps. The original owner of Arbor Trails had offered to pay for a second speed display sign. Chris S is trying to contact them and see if this offer is still available. At one point during this past year Chris S was told a license would be needed to place a second sign. Nick suggested speed bumps. Ronnie Bell with the Traffic Dept had informed Chris S the city has a waiting list and Chris S told the board he did not receive a positive feedback on this solution. Chris S had sent an e-mail on our Yahoo Group over a year ago asking homeowners to contact the city regarding speed bumps on Summerset. Jan suggested a chain of command by e-mailing Ronnie Bell with copy to his supervisor. Trudy suggested calling AISD and making this a safety issue and ask them to write a letter to the City of Austin mentioning the Safe Walk to School Project. Chris S will do more research before making calls to the City of Austin.

Next week Chris S is meeting with Stephen who lives on Summerset to decide where the second speed display sign would be placed, if we received one, and he had suggested his front yard. Jeff, who lives on Summerset, had brought this speeding problem to the previous board's attention, and he had mentioned speed bumps.

Officer Zach La Hood came to monitor the traffic recently and he suggested lowering the speed to 25.

During the discussion of Summerset, Chris S informed the Board the For Sale sign is gone from 6110 Hill Forest. Not sure if this means the property has been sold. At our

emergency Board meeting on July 25<sup>th</sup> Judy volunteered to see if the house located on the property could be condemned. Sent e-mails to city officials, with one response. Called 311 spoke to Terry at code enforcement to find out what steps, if any, the neighborhood could take to condemn the house located on that property. Judy was given a service request number - 138671 and was told an inspector would go out to look at the property. Inspector Luther Perez called Judy to report he inspected the house and could not condemn it. He was the inspector who boarded up the windows and doors on that house over a year ago, and the City of Austin billed Frank Bomar. He did not know if the bill had been paid by Mr. Bomar, and if not, then there's a lien on the property. All the windows and doors are boarded up, so it presents no safety hazard to the neighborhood.

4. Pocket Pock - Westcreek: Chris S has a meeting with Sheryl Cole on September 28<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 AM and he will ask Gary to join them. Trudy suggested Rick Perkins since he's the contact person for the trail. During the FLUM issue Sheryl Cole had told Chris S she is considered the "park lady". There are two possible locations in Westcreek for a pocket park: 6110 Hill Forest, and at the end of Westcreek Drive. This vacant land is owned by the original developer of Westcreek. That is the preferred location since it will be next to the trail.

5. Articles of Incorporation: Chris M researched and drafted these article before entering the hospital for surgery. He did an outstanding job. Chris M's recommendation to the Board is 501 ( c ) (4) status. The Corporation needs a physical address so we can't use our post office box, Chris M had offered his address, and Chris S also offered his address as our address of record. The Westcreek Neighborhood Association is available as a Corporation name. A discussion followed on the naming of the Officers of the Corporation and what protection and advantages this offers Westcreek. This item was tabled for a future agenda when Chris M and Gary are present.

6. Krimee Labb: Chris S received an e-mail from a Jack Darby who has a website called krimeelabb.com that monitors crime in Austin. He offers this as a tool to defer crime. It is free and does not require registration. His presentation to neighborhood associations takes 30 minutes and he'll need a projector and internet connection which our library has. Nick volunteered to go to the site and research it.

7. Fall Picnic: At our last meeting Chris S mentioned contacting Western Oaks and doing a joint picnic this year. He just now sent Sarah an e-mail to present this idea to her board. Our picnic is held around Halloween and we have had such poor turnouts, and it is costly even with Randall donating the food items. Discussion was placed on hold awaiting answer from Western Oaks.

Other matters: Elements Group Lawn Service, owner John Thomas charges \$125 to do Brush Country. National Night Out: Trudy will check on the date in October.

Meeting adjourned at 7:59 PM

