

UNIVERSITY HILLS ASSOCIATION OF HOMEOWNERS
REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
December 1, 2020

The monthly meeting of the University Hills Association of Homeowners Board of Directors was called to order at 11:30 AM by the president Tom Hopwood on Tuesday, December 1, 2020. The venue is a Zoom videoconferencing platform arranged to comply with the CDC's Social Distancing protocols relating to the COVID-19 pandemic.

A quorum of 11 directors was present; Tom Hopwood, Kathrine Pennington, Steve Hoisington, Anna Walther, Jim Wells, Rick Lindsey, Charles Schmidt, Michael Basoco, Ottis Lewis, Karen Martin, and Nell Anne Hunt. In the absence of John DeMarco, Anna Walther will perform the duties of Recording Secretary for this meeting.

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Membership (Provisional)

Provisional Minutes of the Annual General Meeting were accepted by the Board. These minutes will be presented at the 2021 AGM for approval by the members of UHAOH.

Minutes of November 2020 BOD Meeting

Minutes of the November monthly Board of Directors meeting were distributed by John DeMarco via an email dated November 23, 2020. The minutes were accepted as presented.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report for the period ending November 30, 2020, was distributed by Jim Wells via an email of the same date. A list of responses to potential questions accompanied the report. Charles Schmidt inquired about the status of the outstanding Grant payment from the City of Irving (COI). Jim Wells advised that he is still pursuing this with COI staff. There were no other comments and the Treasurer's Report was filed for the fiscal year's financial review.

Financial Review Committee

Anna Walther will assemble a new Committee to conduct the review of the UHAOH Financial Statements for the 2019/2020 fiscal year.

Election of Board Officers for 2020/2021

Rick Lindsey moved that Tom Hopwood continue as President. Kathrine Pennington seconded and the Board voted to accept the following Officers for the 2020-2021 Year: Tom Hopwood (President), Anna Walther (VP Administration), Rick Lindsey (VP Events), Jim Wells (Treasurer), and John DeMarco (Secretary).

2021 Event Schedule

Star Gazing is scheduled for January 16, 2021 via ZOOM. Nell Anne Hunt suggested the purchase of Pizza for the UD students who assist with this event. This was approved by general consent.

Spring Fling is scheduled for May 8, 2021. Rick Lindsey commented that a 10% increase to the budget might be needed to accommodate possible price increases.

Event Liability Insurance

Charles Schmidt will postpone payment of the Personal Liability Insurance Policy premium until live events are allowed to be held by UHAOH. He noted that \$500 is the minimum fee per year. However, it will cover all our events.

Safety and Security Committee Meeting

Tom Hopwood summarized the discussions at the Committee's meeting held earlier today. A presentation via Zoom on Electronic Security Measures was made by Wes Smith of Securitas Inc. Rick Lindsey will meet with Securitas to ensure the particulars of our neighborhood are fully understood such that the Securitas proposal will be appropriate to our requirements.

Respecting the speeding situation on Rochelle/Northgate, a comprehensive statement of the problem has been prepared for purposes of enlisting support from the Irving Police Department, the City of Irving, and other parties. Tom Hopwood will speak with LCA and University Park Estates about joining our efforts. Other means of communication will be used to garner additional support for this cause. Irving City Councilman Oscar Ward suggested that we assemble a group of twenty interested residents to attend a City Council Meeting with one of the group as designated spokesperson. Anna Walther has agreed to be that spokesperson.

Membership Campaign for 2021

Steve Hoisington, Membership Committee Chair, advised that 2021 Membership letters have been mailed to residents. Steve also noted that numerous door prizes will be awarded during the campaign. Already 23 members have renewed with 14 of these at the Platinum tier.

2020 Annual General Meeting (November 17, 2020)

The Board thanked Karen Martin for all her efforts to make the 2020 Annual Meeting a success. Karen expressed some concerns which will be addressed in the planning for next year's event.

Deck the Hills: Sunday, November 29

(In an exchange of emails dated November 13, 2020, the proposal made by Rick Lindsey and Ottis Lewis to go forward on a modified Deck the Hills event with a budget of \$4,000 was approved.)

Tom thanked everyone who helped with special appreciation to Rosie and Ottis Lewis and Steve Hoisington. About 60 to 65 cars participated and all seemed to enjoy the snacks, gifts, Santa and Mrs. Claus, etc. LCA donated 100 lighted necklaces and LCA staff member Julia took photos for the LCA Spirit newsletter.

Respecting the UHAOH lighting displays, Ottis Lewis stated that fewer repairs were needed this year. Also, an additional four tree trunks were wrapped in lights. LCA's new lighted reindeer displays were another feature of the event. Nicholette Mason will respond to the Letters to Santa which were collected at the event. Some of these will be used in an article to appear in Our Neighborhood Magazine. Thirty Deck the Hills postal cards were entered into the drawing.

Our Neighborhood Magazine

Michael Basoco advised that the December magazine has been mailed and that the January issue is completed. Also, he announced that N2 has assigned Carece Slaughter, Corporate Run Pub associate, to be the new editor/publisher of Our Neighborhood Magazine. N2 Publications will sell the ads with University Hills providing the articles. As content coordinator, Carece will put it all together. Michael will remain involved.

UH Residential Directory

Respecting publication of the UH Residential Directory next year, Michael will discuss the possibility of N2 producing our directory using one of their products. They would sell the ads and mail the directory for us.

Real Estate Report

Nell Anne Hunt presented the Real Estate Report in an email dated November 24, 2020. Nell Anne also reported that the Sales Prices in UH averaged \$136/square foot with Days on the Market at 69.

40/50 Year Homes of Distinction

Charles Schmidt reported that the new signs have been delivered. Now there is sufficient inventory for 2021.

Property Appearance

Joyce Guedalia, Chair of the Property Appearance Committee, advised by email that 618 North Durango (Frank Mitchell) is the Yard of the Month for December.

December Monthly Meeting

Tom Hopwood polled the board members present and the consensus was for holding the January monthly BOD meeting through the Zoom video-conferencing platform.

New Business: Shut-In and Elderly Residents of UH

Christina Winters sent an email asking if UHAOH is doing anything for shut-in or elderly residents during the Holidays. Karen Martin will reach out to Christina. Rick Lindsey moved to budget \$300, if needed, to purchase a gift for shut-ins. Nell Anne seconded and the motion carried.

Holiday Home Lighting Contest

The annual Home Holiday Lighting contest will be judged on Monday or Tuesday, December 14 or 15.

There being no other business to conduct, the meeting was so adjourned by the president. The time was 12:54 PM.

The next regular meeting of the UHAOH Board of Directors occurs on January 5, 2021 via the Zoom videoconferencing platform.

Anna Walther for
John DeMarco
Recording Secretary
12/01/2020

Approved X or As Corrected on