

UNIVERSITY HILLS ASSOCIATION OF HOMEOWNERS
REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
July 7, 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, July 7, 2020. Once again the venue is a Zoom videoconferencing facility arranged to comply with the CDC's Social Distancing protocols relating to the COVID-19 pandemic.

A quorum of 9 directors was present including; Rick Lindsey, Anna Walther, Steve Hoisington, Jim Wells, Nell Anne Hunt, Michael Basoco, Charles Schmidt, and John DeMarco.

Minutes of June 2020 Meeting

Minutes of the June Board of Directors meeting were distributed by John DeMarco via an email dated June 30, 2020. The minutes were accepted as presented.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report for the period ending June 30, 2020, was distributed by Jim Wells via an email of the same date. A list of responses to potential questions is included with the report. The Treasurer's Report was filed for the 2019/2020 fiscal year financial review.

Curb Numeral Painting Project (Security Committee)

Tom Hopwood advised that there was no Security Committee meeting held. Nevertheless, the Committee's project for curb numeral painting has commenced and it is well underway.

Steve Hoisington, Curb Numeral Painting project leader, remarked that he's received many positive responses from residents. With demand for this service so acute, Steve is looking for means to speed up the process.

Tom added that the City of Irving has agreed to reimburse UHAOH for repainting curb numerals along Hidalgo. The legibility of many of those numerals had been adversely impacted by the City's Hidalgo & LCCC Waste Water Project.

Music in the Hills: Sunday, June 14

Tom Hopwood recapitulated Music in the Hills highlights and requested comments on this first ever mobile event produced by UHAOH. Consensus was that all went well and that consideration ought to be given to an encore performance for next year.

National Night Out: Tuesday, October 6

Rick Lindsey reaffirmed the importance of holding the NNO event because of its vital link to the safety and security of our neighborhood. Rick acknowledged, however, that the usual format of NNO may need to be changed to reflect the exigencies of the COVID-19 situation then prevailing. All concurred that NNO deserves our support and that continuing attention is warranted as circumstances develop. This includes dialogue with City of Irving officials about their participation.

Annual General Meeting: Tuesday, November 10

On behalf of Karen Martin, event chair, Tom Hopwood related that this is another event likely to be affected by the COVID-19 situation existing at that time. Also, the usual format for this event may need to be changed. Online or other versions of the meeting could be in order.

Holiday Lighting Committee

On behalf of Ottis Lewis, committee chair, and with reference to discussions at the last meeting, Tom Hopwood advised that the first meeting of this committee will be held later this month.

Our Neighborhood Magazine

Michael Basoco, publisher, displayed the story boards for the August, September, and October issues. The August edition will feature the Music in the Hills event. The October edition will feature Safety & Security, topics which are of great interest to every resident.

University Hills: Multi-Family Garage Sale

Tom Hopwood reported on information obtained from the City of Irving: An individual permit is required for each garage sale by a home owner. Large, or multi-family, garage sales require an event permit. The latter is for one location only and the fee is much higher. Rick Lindsey remarked that the Trophy Club holds a community-wide garage sale each year for all residents. This serves to reduce the number of individual garage sales held throughout the year hence reduces the number of garage sale seekers that drive through the neighborhood each weekend.

Little Free Library

Reference discussions at the last meeting, and in the absence of Sherrie LeVan, Steve Hoisington advised that LCA staffs are reviewing the Little Free Library proposal. However, LCA does not favor Flag Pole Hill as the location and LCA has some other thoughts about the structure of the library facility.

Great Flag Caper 2020

Nell Anne Hunt expressed her sincere appreciation to UHAOH for the additional donation to the GFC and to all who had volunteered. Nell Anne reckoned that this was the best year yet in the number of flags planted and in the number of volunteers.

Real Estate Report

In an email dated June 6, 2020, Nell Anne Hunt presented a Real Estate report for that date. Four homes were listed for sale in the University Hills area with one of these located in Alto Vista. Nell Anne remarked that Realtors are experiencing strange times because of the COVID-19 situation and the uncertain economy.

Property Appearance

Joyce Guedalia, Chair of the Property Appearance Committee, advised by email that # 501 Guadalajara Circle (Jack and Jeanne Ireland) is awarded Yard of the Month for July.

New Business: August Monthly Meeting

Tom Hopwood polled the board members present and almost all were in favor for holding the August BOD meeting with Zoom video-conferencing.

Anna Walther cautioned that a simple return to the Las Colinas Country Club for BOD meetings may not be assumed. New management at LCCC is seeking income production from the use of meeting rooms. The LCA headquarters building is a possibility for the site of such monthly meetings.

New Business: UHAOH Budget for 2020/2021

Tom Hopwood noted that the current fiscal year for UHAOH ends in October. Accordingly, Tom requested event chairs and others come to the August monthly meeting prepared to discuss plans and projects for the next fiscal year which begins November 1, 2020. Tom and Jim Wells will generate a pro forma budget document to prompt discussions.

New Business: City of Irving Neighborhood Association Grant Program

Charles Schmidt advised that the due date for applications to the City of Irving's Neighborhood Association Grant Program is August. Consensus was that UHAOH ought to apply for the grant as has been done in previous years. Discussion ensued about the various expenditures which might be included in the UHAOH application. In the end Charles made a motion to apply for the grant using expenses incurred for the Great Flag Caper donation (\$1,000) and for the Deck the Hills event (\$750). Rick Lindsey seconded the motion and it was carried.

New Business: Green Neighbor Program

Steve Hoisington noted that the City of Irving recently instituted a Green Neighbor Program whose purpose is to foster resident awareness of an environmentally friendly life style. Charles Schmidt remarked that this program is derivative of the Green Neighbor Program that UHAOH and the LCA created several years ago.

New Business: Magazine Social Mixer

Michael Basoco, publisher of Our Neighborhood Magazine advised that several businesses, including an art gallery and a mobile sanitizing company, have inquired about sponsoring a Social Mixer to introduce residents to their services and/or products. More information will be forthcoming in due course.

New Business: The History of University Hills

Reference prior discussion about an archive for the history of University Hills, Michael Basoco advised that faculty at the University of Dallas expressed interest in this project as a basis for a Master's thesis. More information will become available when students return and classes resume in August.

There being no other business to conduct, John DeMarco moved to adjourn the meeting. Nell Anne Hunt seconded and the motion carried. The meeting was so adjourned by the president at 12:59 PM.

The next regular meeting of the UHAOH Board of Directors occurs on August 4, 2020 via Zoom videoconferencing.

John DeMarco

Recording Secretary

07/07/2020

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