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BELLE RIVE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2012

The 2012 Belle Rive Subdivision Annual Meeting and Chili Cook-off were a great success with more than 30 adults and 20 children attending.. Many thanks to Ric and Cathy Fridge who hosted the event and who arranged for the inflatable 'bouncing house' for the kids, as well as a special visit from a Brentwood Fire Truck and the Firemen, who stayed for chili with the homeowners.

President Rebecca Holmes called the meeting to order and the minutes from last year's annual meeting were presented and approved.

There were no new residents to the subdivision since the last Annual Meeting, but homeowners Ed and Faye Wyatt were in attendance and indicated they had sold their home and would be moving this coming week. Also a new home is being built on Granny White Pike which will be in the Subdivision.

Subdivision Accomplishments over the past year were presented (and attached or included with these minutes). Thanks to the many homeowners who assisted making these accomplishments possible.

LUMINARIES

The group strongly favored participation with other Brentwood Subdivisions in the Annual Luminaries on Saturday, December 8. Luminaries will be placed around the Front Entrance and down Belle Rive Drive, with bag filling and placement tentatively planned for 10 – 12 AM on Saturday, December 8 at Raj and Lee Patnaik's, 6017 Martingale Ln. Twenty two volunteers are needed to come and get enough luminaries to cover one 'homeowner yard' each on Belle Rive Drive (to include lighting and cleanup) and a couple more for the Front Entrance. There were some volunteers at the meeting but more are required, so contact Raj Patnaik if you can help.

FINANCE / DUES

Treasurer Ric Fridge expressed appreciation to all Belle Rive Homeowners as every household had paid their dues for the past year and this is 100 % for the 12th consecutive year. Thanks everyone!!

Ric Fridge presented the Finance Report from the past year. Subdivision Expenses thru October were \$6367, which is very favorable as there were not a lot of unexpected expenses this past year and which leaves a current treasury balance of \$ 13,242.

Ric presented a Budget for 2012 – 2013 Year and noted the Subdivision Board recommended that (due to the fairly substantial balance in the treasury) the dues be reduced to \$ 125 per household for next year.

There was discussion about the future use of Subdivision Funds and whether it would be better to: A. 'increase' the surplus funds and use them for a very large special project or B. Keep the surplus at a lower amount but still adequate to support all needed items for the subdivision. This item will be reviewed during the upcoming year by the incoming Belle Rive Board.

It was approved unanimously to reduce the dues to \$ 125 per household for next year, and to approve the budget for 2012 as presented by Treasurer Ric Fridge.

NOTE: Because the current Subdivision Treasury has a healthy surplus, both Ric and Rebecca reminded all Homeowners that if there is some project or needed issue that needs to be addressed for the Subdivision that will require expenditures, that it be communicated to any board member for consideration.

SUBDIVISION BOARD OFFICERS FOR 2012 – 2013

Rebecca introduced all the current Subdivision Board Members and they received a big 'Thank You' from those attending for their work this past year. The following were elected to serve as Subdivision Board Members for 2012 - 2013

President	Raj Patnaik
Vice President	Tanya Capeling
Treasurer	Ric Fridge
Secretary	Tara Hamada
Member at Large	Angie Clawson

SOCIAL CHAIRMAN

There were no volunteers to assume the Social Chair Position. If someone is interested in serving in this Position, please contact one of the above incoming Board Members

OTHER BUSINESS

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS AT THE FRONT ENTRANCE

Because of the poor condition of the Front Entrance Christmas Decorations and also the adequate funds in the Treasury, Rebecca indicated the Board had contracted to have a professional contactor do the decorations this year. Several contractors had been contacted, bids obtained and a firm selected. It will be a nice upgrade to our subdivision at holiday time.

PEDESTRIAN AND BIKE SAFETY AT THE FRONT ENTRANCE

Tonya Capeling indicated she was still working with the city on a way to improve pedestrian and bike safety; and specifically to move the pedestrian control button for the traffic signal and also to have a crosswalk painted on Granny White at that location. She said the City of Brentwood has still not confirmed a specific plan that meets all requirements of safety improvement at that corner.

OFFICER WOOD PRESENTATION

Officer Wood, (Crime Prevention Officer from the Brentwood Police Dept) was present as a guest at the meeting and noted a few items about neighborhood crime:

There have been lots of car burglaries in our area and the 'Hot Spots' are the YMCA's and public parking areas. Remember to NEVER leave your purse in your vehicle and NEVER leave your vehicle unlocked, regardless of how short a time you will be away. Also do NOT put stuff, especially lap tops or any electronics in your vehicle where they can be viewed from outside.

There is a curfew in Brentwood of 12 midnight during the week for all under 18 years of age. Be sure your children are adhering to this curfew and question others if you see them out after this time.

PROPOSED PROJECTS

It was noted that the 7 Bradford Pear Trees at the Front Entrance would be trimmed in the spring in order to extend their life as long as possible.

It was proposed that flat limestone decorative 'Caps' be added to the center island sign support columns, and that that signs at the Front Entrance be professionally cleaned and the letters repainted.

It was suggested that 'Slow Children Playing' signs on decorative posts be added to our subdivision.

It was suggested that an American Flag and Flag post be added to the Front Entrance but the location of overhead electrical wires is a problem for most of the current locations, especially locations on either wing wall. It was noted that the overall best location for the flag pole would be directly behind the center island brick sign support structure. This is where the largest Bradford Pear Tree is currently, and it was suggested that the flag pole project be deferred until that tree dies, which will likely not be too many years in the future. The Flag pole and lighted flag would be a very attractive 'filler' in that spot when the tree dies.

Repair / replace the broken curbs at Front Entrance (City Responsibility?)

Suggestions

The right turn lane at the Front Entrance will not activate the traffic signal even after a long, long wait. This needs to be addressed by the city.

A comment was made that have a great subdivision but there are a number of things which all homeowners can do to make it look even better. This list includes items about contractor signs, lawn upkeep, vehicles that are inoperative, parking on the street, garbage cans, garage doors, and other items. Adhering to these items will keep our subdivision looking good. The list is attached to these minutes.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned and everyone enjoyed sampling the many different delicious flavors of chili with the one made by **Linda McDavitt** voted the favorite by those attending. Congratulations Linda☺

Respectfully submitted,

(Dorothy Lesch, for) Board Secretary Janelle Waggener

