

SIGNAL HILL HOMES ASSOCIATION
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BOARD MEMBERS & COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Pete Seigman	-	President	Ed Rahme	-	Treasurer
Linda Wirth	-	Secretary	Anita Amini	-	HGA
Bob Hicks	-	VP	Marc Bickoff	-	ACC
Gene Ackerman	-	Braddock District Rep			

MINUTES OF SHHA 2008 ANNUAL MEETING

I. CALL TO ORDER – Pete called the meeting to order at 7:25.

II. INTRODUCTION OF BOARD MEMBERS – Pete introduced himself and asked Board members present, the Committee Chairs, and Anita from HGA Property Management, to introduce themselves. He also mentioned that Terry Hatch had resigned.

III. QUORUM - Establishment of Quorum took place during Approval of Minutes and Treasurer’s report

IV. APPROVAL OF 2007 ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES – Copies of the 2007 Annual Meeting minutes were available for homeowners at the sign-in table and were posted on the website. The minutes were unanimously approved.

V. TREASURER’S REPORT

A. Ed provided handouts showing the proposed and actuals of the 2006, 2007, 2008 (actuals through Nov. 08) budgets and the proposed 2009 budget. No catastrophic expenses in 2008 and this will allow \$14,101.94 to be added to the Reserves. In 2009 the Board will continue to spend only what is needed to meet expenses. Any extra will be added to Reserves. The dues will be kept the same in 2009. The goal is to build up the Reserves to \$50,000.00. After that goal is achieved the dues will be raised to keep up with inflation. In the 2009 Budget tree removal and mowing are no longer part of Landscaping but are separated out as separate line items. The 2009 Budget was unanimously approved.

QUORUM – With 15 homeowners in attendance and 152 proxies, a quorum was established.

VI. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Terri Hatch has resigned creating an opening on the Board. Pete Seigman’s term is expiring. Pete Seigman will run for another term. At the November Board meeting Gene Ackermann and Ray Antosh formed a Nominating Committee and approved two unnamed Board Members. Ed Rahme reported for the Nominating Committee with the names of the two nominees, Brian O’Malie and Kevin Martin. If all three are elected there be 6 Board Members whereas the Board consists of 5 offices. However the CCRs allow the Board to create extra At-Large positions as necessary. The Board believes that having an extra At-Large Member is in the best interest of SHHA. It will make it easier to establish a quorum at monthly Board Meetings. The vote at this meeting is to elect Officers. At the January meeting the positions of each Board Member will be decided.

Pete read the term limits of each Board Member. His term expires next year (2009). Bob Hicks was elected to fill David Black’s position and his term will expire in 2009. The terms for Linda Wirth and Ed Rahme expire in 2010. Brian O’Malie introduced himself. Kevin Martin introduced himself. An election with secret ballots was held. All three candidates were elected.

VII. PRESIDENT’S REPORT

A. 2008 Review

1. Finances – Ed covered in the Treasurer’s Report.

2. General – The Board had to act on some blight problems but otherwise a good year. Not as many complaints were received about speeding but it remains a problem. The Board requested a stop sign at Parliament and Signal Hill but VDOT said there weren’t enough problems to justify it.

3. Day Care Centers - Bob gave the background to the 2008 petition to change the CCRs to allow, with restrictions, Day Care and Music Lessons in SHHA. The petition failed. Although 75-80% of people contacted were in favor of the change only 25% of SHHA homeowners were polled and the necessary number of approvals, 373, was not achieved. Mr. Drimer asked if the petition could be started again. Ed replied “Yes, the petition just really needs someone to take charge. He believes the petition failed because not enough people worked on it. The next person to volunteer to be in charge needs to have a plan and a group to help visit all the homeowners. Ed then answered a question regarding the conditions of the petition. It has been approved by our lawyer and reserves the right of the Board to shut down any business that causes problems that lead to written complaints.

VIII. OPEN FORUM FOR HOMEOWNERS

A. Door-to-door solicitors - A homeowner complained about this. It was suggested that homeowners ask for identification. Kevin suggested posting signs at the community’s entrance saying solicitation not allowed.

B. Yahoo Group – Pete has established this as the most effective way of communicating with the homeowners in an extremely timely manner. It is a “push” communication and only Board Members can send email through it. However if a homeowner forwarded an important email to a Board Member they could send that email through Yahoo Group.

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. ACC – Marc Bickoff reviewed SHHA’s ACC policy. Any change to the exterior needs a formal request to the ACC for Board approval. The requests are sent to Marc who reviews them and then advises the Board.

B. Welcoming – Carol Cannava reported on her recent visits. She puts together baskets for new residents and visits them. The Baskets have homemade delicacies and helpful information for new homeowners.

C. Traffic Calming - Vacant

D. Neighborhood Watch - Vacant

E. Grounds – Glen Woods works closely with Frank Kyle, the Outdoor Man.

F. Website & Newsletter – After establishing SHHA’s Website and serving as Newsletter Editor for many years, Tom has resigned. These two positions need to be filled.

G. Braddock District Council Representative - Gene Ackermann gave a description of the Braddock District Council. Its mission is to bring together homeowner associations so they can learn from what each one is doing to solve problems that are common to all. It is also a good venue for updates on what the Supervisor’s Office is doing.

X. NEW BUSINESS

A. Traffic Light – VDOT will put a traffic light at Rolling Road and Parliament by the end of the summer of 2009.

B. Interactive Website – Anita mentioned that some homeowners would like an interactive website. Because of the effort involved and the potential for bad communications the Board is against this.

XI. DATES OF BOARD MEETINGS IN 2009 THROUGH JUNE

January 21, 2009

February 18, 2009

March 18, 2009

April 15, 2009

May 20, 2009

June 18, 2009

XIII. ADJOURNMENT - Meeting was adjourned at 8:50 P.M.