

Shalimar Gardens Homeowners Association Annual Meeting May 7, 2013

The meeting began at 6:35 pm in the cafeteria of Derby Ridge Elementary School, Columbia MO. Pat Bess of Community Association Management led the meeting. Alice Weiss, Vice President of the Board of Directors, took the minutes.

Proof of Notice of the Meeting was the presence of members in attendance.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Minutes of the 2012 Annual meeting. The motion passed.

The Officers Report consisted of a summary of the Association's financial accounts, which was passed out to all persons present for review. Members asked the following questions:

- 1) What are the "bad debts" listed in the financial report? These bad debts represent past due Association fees that cannot be collected as the properties in question have been foreclosed upon.
- 2) How many members are in arrears with their dues? Eight members.
- 3) What is the outstanding balance of unpaid dues and bad debts? \$3053.94

There was no Unfinished Business on the agenda. Pat discussed the Revised Covenants, which were discussed at last year's meeting, but which have been abandoned because of the lack of sufficient signatures. She also mentioned that sand for the play area at the Lake was purchased last year, and so will not be needed this year.

Under New Business, Pat reminded the members present that at last year's meeting a motion was approved to give each member attending the Annual Meeting a \$5 credit on their annual Association dues.

Next year's Annual Meeting will be held on May 6, 2014, place to be determined.

The members discussed whether they want to hold a Neighborhood Garage Sale this year. After some discussion, a motion was made and seconded to hold a Neighborhood Garage Sale on August 24, 2013. The Garage Sale is to be advertised in the local newspaper and on Craig's List, and will be for one day only. All members will be notified of this schedule and can participate at will.

Pat announced that Jim Vance, Member and Board Member and long-time mower of the Association's common areas, had recently undergone heart bypass surgery and would not be able to mow the grass this summer. The Association will need to hire a new mower. Pat will be soliciting bids from various landscaping companies, but it will take some time to finalize a contract. In the meantime she will hire someone she knows to do the next mowing, which needs to be done fairly soon. She asked all members present to submit recommendations for landscaping companies to her if they have any. The Board will review all bids and select a new landscape company at their next meeting in June, if not before then.

Several members had contacted the Board about the possibility of hiring a company to do snow removal in the subdivision in the event that the County fails to plow the streets in a timely manner. Pat explained that this would be very expensive, and that the Association does not have sufficient funds to take on this responsibility without approving a special assessment.

Alice Weiss discussed the problem of persons residing outside the subdivision on Silver Mill Drive who have been trespassing frequently on lots in the subdivision and on the Lake common area. A motion was made and seconded to ask our attorney to write a letter to the landlord of the property involved and inform him about the problem. The motion passed.

Alice Weiss's 3-year term expired today, and nominations were solicited for her position. Alice was nominated again for this position, a motion was made and seconded to accept her nomination, and the motion passed.

Nominations were also solicited to fill the vacant position left by the resignation of Board Member Rob Lynn. Kenneth Robinson, who was present, was nominated, a motion was made and seconded to nominate him to the Board. The motion passed. Kenneth will fill Rob's vacant position which will expire in one year.

In the Open Questions Forum it was pointed out that the street light at the entrance to the subdivision where the Benton Homes office was is no longer active, and the intersection of Rangeline and Shalimar Gardens is now quite dark at night, which could be dangerous for traffic. It was decided to contact Boone Electric Cooperative and find out how much it would cost to re-activate the light, and if the cost is affordable the Board could decide at their next meeting to assume financial responsibility for the light.

It was asked whether or not it is possible to ban heavy truck traffic through the subdivision. Alice Weiss replied that she had already contacted Boone County to discuss this on a previous occasion, and was told that it is only possible to do so on private streets in Boone County, and since the streets in our subdivision are public, we can't ban heavy truck traffic. However, if any heavy trucks passing through the subdivision are seen to cause damage to the streets, or to block traffic, or to leave trash or dirt in the streets, then we can contact the County for further action.

A discussion ensued about damage done by snow plows to curbs in the subdivision. It was pointed out that the curbs near 5270 and 5280 Burning Bush are showing visible damage from snow plows. Pat said she would contact the County to discuss repairs.

A Get Well card for Jim Vance was circulated for members to sign. Flyers from Boone County Animal Control were made available that display their phone number, so that members could report any dogs they see running loose in the subdivision.

A discussion began about inoperable vehicles in the subdivision, including a truck parked in the driveway of 5220 Burning Bush with a flat tire that has not been repaired or moved for some time. It was moved and seconded that the Board send a letter to the owner of this lot asking them to either repair the truck or remove it from the subdivision. The motion passed.

The black van parked permanently on Burning Bush was also discussed. This van is rarely moved, and prevents County snow plows from clearing the street. Since this van is operable and properly licensed, there is no action the Board can take in this case.

It was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting, and the motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm.