

## Minutes of HOA meeting March 1, 2016 at the home of Jeff Burroughs

The meeting started with introductions of all people present and what their duties are on the HOA board since there were some new people present.

Present:

Jeff Burroughs, new President; Jerry Nichols, Vice Pres; David Roffino, past President; Jim Lewis, Treasurer; Eliot Johnston (does the website), Nancy Sperandeo, (on Welcome Committee); Jerry's daughter Dee Murphy (does Yard of the Month), Jim Arnett (does Crime Watch and Next Door.com); Betty Depew, Brett Price, and Mike Sage (at 2004 Portsmouth (new in Nov.),

Notice of Quorum was announced.

In order for the bank to issue new check signing cards, David Roffino submitted abbreviated minutes of the annual HOA meeting at National Night Out in October which included the change over of new board members. He read those minutes tonight which mentioned that Mark Solomon was one of the speakers there at NNO and that new board members were announced then at the meeting.

Treasurer's report –

Balance = \$8,245.14 so far. One check was made for \$174.29. for expenses. Received 16 membership letters so deposited \$455, but will have to return 2 memberships (why?) because they had already paid. Balance now = \$8,520.80.

The Annual UEN HOA budget is about \$2,500 per year. But we haven't had major expenses to use up the money.

New Directory – is now in process.

Easter Egg Hunt – is our next big event.

Last year the event was canceled due to low interest, etc. Jan Neher is willing to do the Easter Egg Hunt again this year. Easter is March 27. The Easter Egg hunt is usually the weekend before in case there is time needed for a rain date. So the prior weekend is Saturday, March 19<sup>th</sup>.

Jan was reached by phone to confirm the date.

David Roffino will call Susan Long in the morning to get the date approved to reserve the Richardson Women's Club lawn for the Easter Egg Hunt.

Signs for the Easter Egg Hunt will be put out the week before by Jan Neher ??

The Egg Hunt will be around 10:15 am. Meet and Greet starts at 10 am.

Jan usually goes outside by 7 am and breaks down different areas for different aged kids and wants to promote the 3 and 4 year olds. Dee's older kids can help Jan if needed.

Note - The Easter Egg Hunt is for everyone; they don't have to be a member of the HOA.

Since we have extra money, Nancy will talk to Jan about getting a Bunny costume for a Bunny to attend the Easter Egg Hunt - either rent one or buy one. David Roffino volunteered to be the Bunny!

The Buzz newsletter - We have to hurry to do the Buzz newsletter to announce the Easter Egg Hunt event. We should get articles to Jan by noon this Friday, the 4<sup>th</sup>.

- Jeff needs to write the Presidents letter for the Buzz and mention the new people that have moved in .
- Eliot should write an article about the webpage and promote it as our own internal information

page.

- Jim does an article on Crime Watch, and can do an article about the new directory.
  - He should mention a request for people to help Crime Watch and put it in an article for the Buzz.

There was discussion about whether to put in a copy of the HOA membership form in the Buzz. We decided in the past to do memberships in Oct, at the NNO and over Christmastime. Jim can encourage people to join the HOA and remind them that this is the last time to join for this year. Jim will get info for the Crime Watch directory from the guy doing the new HOA directory. (who?) I believe that to be Jim Lewis

- Jerry will do a short article for the Buzz about the Zoning issue that was discussed a few months ago which turned out a lot of people. We should recognize Scott Craighead for all his efforts. And we also should mention the coalition of all the neighborhood associations that worked together to oppose the new zoning
- Nancy will write up an article about new membership on the Welcome Committee.

New Editor Assistant – We are looking for a new editor for the Buzz to help Jan Neher.

Jan put an old membership form in the Buzz template so she needs to put a new one in there. Jeff will contact her to delete the old form in her system.

The Buzz distribution - Newsletter distribution will be the weekend of March 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>.

Every member in the development gets a copy of the Buzz.

Jan will get the Buzz printed and broken down by streets. She will send out a notice when they are done and people can come and pick them up to distribute them. It will be broken into 5 sections for easier distribution.

Ideas to stir up interest to attend the Easter Egg Hunt -

Put a hidden Easter egg somewhere in the Buzz or an egg to color and have them bring it to the hunt and get a piece of chocolate. See Coloring pages 101. Jim and Betty will coordinate the coloring page and get it to Jan.

Food at the Easter Egg Hunt -

The Easter Egg Hunt usually is done in 15 minutes. Usually no food or drinks are given out at the egg hunt. Since we have extra money, a suggestion was made to buy Easter cookies or cupcakes for the event and give out small bottles of water that will be kept in a cooler.

David will do that and bring a card table.

Committee reports -

- Crime Watch patrol – everything is quiet. Jim does 8-10 outings per month. 800 people are members of Crime Watch in the city of Richardson. Every neighborhood in the city is now covered by a Crime Watch. We have a new city resource office that Crime Watch uses.
- Web page – everything is current and good. Eliot will put posts on the web page about the Easter Egg hunt.
- Yard of the month – Dee reported that she has a new contact person at Calloways Nursery now. New rules say info needs to be in the Buzz. and they can't have any other signs in the yard.
- Welcome Committee – Nancy announced that Betty Depew will now assist her with welcoming new people and distributing Welcome bags of information  
If you have a new neighbor, please let Nancy know so she can welcome them.

Social Committee – January ??

Next big event is July 4<sup>th</sup>.

So we will need to have a meeting about a month in advance. The proposed next meeting is for Tues, May 31<sup>st</sup> the day after Memorial Day. It will be at the same place here at Jeff's home at 6:30pm.

New Business – for next meeting – to discuss more about how to spend the money we have for the benefit of the neighborhood. Such as:

- Spruce up the events. Make new signs for the events.
- When distributing the Buzz, to post it on Nextdoor.com concurrent with the Buzz about the Easter Egg hunt and remind people to get information into the directory.
- How about an amplifier and jam box for a CD player for 4<sup>th</sup> of July and Santa's sleigh event. ?

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Respectfully submitted,  
Nancy Sperandeo  
Recording Secretary