

Castle Hills Forest Board Meeting

August 10, 2011

Present: Ellen, David Chris, Beth, Marge, Sue

Absent: Alan, Larry, Jennifer

Convened at 7:15 PM.

Minutes: Minutes of two July meetings passed until next meeting.

Financial report: Passed.

Membership: Beth

- 1) Membership is down from last year overall.
- 2) Probably 4 or 5 swim club families who have not paid HOA dues and Beth will follow up.
- 3) Need to discuss the best time to send out the membership letter. December conflicts with holidays. Discounts probably are not good because the rate is so low, even for new residents.

Pool/Rec report: Beth

- 1) Need to inventory the # of guest passes. Right now the money is included in snack monies. May need to use wrist bands for guests.
- 2) The midnight swim grossed \$400, less \$60 for lifeguards. Kim donated \$100 for the DJ.
- 3) ACS chemicals are ok. They came out and check the chemicals during midnight swim and the next day.
- 4) Beth will check if there are chips in the grout and will check discolored area.
- 5) The recreation area is ok. David indicated that Mr. Sullivan, the developer for Firestone, has indicated there may be a money offer to revamp the rec area.

Website: Chris

- 1) No new update.
- 2) He is planning to work on getting more pictures and making emails easier.
- 3) Ads on the website: 1-2 lines are free for residents. A dentist is now requesting ad space, so Chris wants to be sure the non-endorsement clause is valid. Sue will check on it.
- 4) Chris wants Kim or Norma to add to the blog.

Communications:

- 1) Signs are up for the Firestone meeting.
- 2) A resident who has a hair salon in his home sent a letter out indicating the HOA had approved his at home business. Jennifer spoke to him and cleared up that the Board did

not approve and does not have authority to change restricted covenants. It was not clear if he sent out a corrected letter.

Social: Marge

- 1) Theater Party will be Aug. 21 at 2:30 "Our Town" at Vexler Theater
- 2) National Night Out is Tuesday, Oct 4. Juan Ayala, Citizen Coord. For City will register NNO for the event. Beth will get a bull horn. There will be free snow cones and hot dogs. The agenda is undecided.
- 3) Marge will check with Tina Johnson to see if she wants to do a moon bounce for NNO or Halloween.
- 4) Bunco is the 4th Monday of the month.
- 5) Book Club is in the daytime.

Women's Club: Ellen

- 1) They will make goodies for NNO.

Neighborhood Report: David

- 1) Picnic/fundraiser by Hardberger Park Conservancy on Wed. Oct 5, 4-7:30 pm., called Farm to Fork on Buttermilk Hill, \$20 or \$25 nonmembers.
- 2) Sales Tax Holiday is not just for kids, and is 8/19-21.
- 3) Vance Jackson Ridge @ 1604 is funded and will start construction in 9-12 months.
- 4) N.W. Military & 1604 – zoning issue on a quarry going in on NW corner.
- 5) Funding of VIA to increase based on a proposed ½ cent increase. Funding for COSA-VIA is lower than other cities.
- 6) Dist. 8 community budget meeting will be presented Aug 23 at United Methodist Church.

Old Business:

- 1) Chris is going to pass on holding an ice cream social on Aug. 20.
- 2) NNO: There will be hot dogs and chips with drink (buy for 100). David has some prizes. Kim has tickets for the prizes. There will be a food drive to bring canned goods. Chris will set up snow cones. Ellen's Women's group will have cookies.

New Business:

- 1) Neighborhood Garage Sale is moved to Oct. 15. The HOA will pay for a newspaper ad. Each person is responsible for their permit.
- 2) The Firestone meeting: David will invite Chuck Saxer from NNOD and Councilman Williams' office. One of the issues to discuss is: if the Board refuses a money offer by Firestone and the zoning is ultimately changed, then HOA may have lost an opportunity.

Adjourned at 9:05 PM.