

**Castle Hills Forest Annual Meeting  
February 8, 2011  
Oak Meadows Church**

**Board Members Present:** David, Beth, Larry, Sue, Chris, Jennifer, Alan and Ellen

**Convened at 7:03 p.m.**

**Minutes: Passed.**

**Guest Speaker David McCary, City of San Antonio, Solid Waste Manager:**

- \* Presented a Power Point on the City's New Brush Recycling Program which started the end of January. There will be 2 brush pickups and 1 bulky pickup per year. The City hopes to recycle 70% of the brush. Residents will receive notice 7-10 days ahead of time. Licensed tree trimmers will be listed on the City's website. For recycling, the more residents recycle, the better. Contractor materials will not be accepted. He discussed the difference between brush vs. bulky materials. Brush pickup will be every six months. There is a mulch site on Bitters road. Dial a Trailer – free to communities 2x a year.
- \* CHF schedule:           Brush Pickup will be the 3<sup>rd</sup> week in February and in August.  
  Bulky Pickup will be in December.
- \* Leaves: Brown bags must be used for leaves. Two free pickups a year.
- \* If items are left out that are not acceptable for pickup, the City will put red spray on them and they need to be removed.
- \* City is testing new Green Carts for organic clippings (leaves, brush, vegetable)

**Committee Reports:**

- \* **Swim Team by Norma Wood:** Lonestar League has 16 teams. Had 73 swimmers last year, and had Division Champs last 2 years. April 2 is registration. Swim season starts 1<sup>st</sup> week in May. Includes nonresidents. A sponsor is needed for T-shirts which will cost about \$500.
- \* **Neighborhood Report by David Present:** Work is to begin on Wurzbach Parkway at Blanco to join other sections of WP. Dark Sky ordinance allows current fixtures but all new fixtures have to comply. The fixture at the convenient store across the street is grandfathered in. City is voluntarily asking people to replace old fixtures with halogen lights. Gave update on Hardberger Park – Waterloo Trail is open and is 1.2 miles and Geology Loop is 2 miles. NNOD meetings are the 2d Monday at the JCC.
- \* **Treasurer's Report by Larry Morgan:** It was a banner year. There were 48% or 401 HOA memberships paid. There were increased pool memberships and the campaign to raise money for the pool resurfacing was a huge success. Fiesta Parade tickets usually nets \$2500 and they sell 380 to 390 tickets.
- \* **Communications Report by Jennifer Guillen:** Close to 40% of the residents get email updates and the email newsletter. There is a Code Compliance Committee for residents on the website and an online survey to give input. Goals for 2011: expand email, newsletter and online survey.

- \* **Pool Report by Beth Morse:** May/June started fundraising. 28% of the funds were donated or \$14,027. Total cost was \$30,600 and of that, \$29,820 has been disbursed. New drains were needed, the tile line between shallow and deep end, the water line, the no diving line and a new exit. Pool complies with state and federal laws. All of the resurfacing work is complete. The chemical system is last and we are getting bids for that. The decking is fine and there is a standard 1 year warranty. The electrical system was done 3 years ago and repairs were built into the budget. There is a plan for a polar bear swim.
- \* **Membership Report by Beth Morse:** In 2010, 401 homes or 48 % paid HOA Dues.
- \* **Social Report by Marge Present:** There are lots of events: self defense, Bunco Night, Master Gardener, Pooch Parade, National Night Out, Book Club and Beer Tasting. Wine Tasting is Feb. 19. Mini Scrapbook is Feb 22 at 7 pm. There is a walking group. The Pooch Parade is July 4<sup>th</sup>.
- \* **Capital Campaign by Chris Corbett:** \$14,000 was raised for the pool repairs. Residents contributed \$10 to \$500. Most of the money came in on the website and the initial mailout.
- \* **WebMaster Report by Chris Corbett:** Chris rebuilt the old website on line. Now there is PayPal which keeps the banking information safe, the one line Newsletter and minutes. There is an Online Calendar for relevant news, an Online Survey for resident input. Residents can post relevant items like babysitters, roofers, etc. The goals for 2011 is to have online pool payments and online forms for swim team registrations.
- \* **Landscaping by Lori Chapa:** A new sprinkler system was put in in 2010 around the pool and new landscaping. Tree trimming occurred in the rec area, and the railroad ties in that area were removed. New Bermuda grass seed was planted. The tennis courts were power washed. They are looking at the granite in front of the boke rack and having a landscape day in April.
- \* **Children's Activities by Tina Johnson:** Tina is a new volunteer and will be planning Easter activities.
- \* **Pool Membership by Kim:** The plan is to build a second cabana by the pool for shade. It will be paid for from the snack bar money which helps run the pool activities. The cost is \$1500 for the cabana. The pool rents out from Memorial Day to Labor Day for \$25/hour. Pool membership costs will be: \$80 for singles, \$120 for couples and includes 4 passes for grandkids, and \$170 for families.
- \* **Women's Club by Ellen Brient:** Often referred to as the "Cookie Committee." Their May meeting is moving from "Picnic in the Park" in the rec area to "Meal at Millers" from 5-6:30 on May 10.
- \* **Elections:** Elections were held. Paper ballots were used, one for each paid HOA house. Ballots were counted by non board members. The following members were elected to the Board for a two year term: David Present, Larry Morgan, Sue Gregory and Chris Corbett.

- \* **Special Acknowledgments:** Thank you to Jerry who is always volunteering his time for with landscaping and mowing. Thank you to Pat Hoffman who paid to have the light secured for our flag and is purchasing a bigger flag for CHF. Thank you to Michael who volunteers to mow the greenbelt.

**Annual meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.**



### **CHF Board Meeting**

**Board Members Present:** David, Beth, Larry, Sue, Chris, Jennifer, Alan and Ellen

**Convened at 8:55 p.m.**

- \* **Election of officers held:**  
**President is Jennifer Guillen**  
**Vice President is Beth Morse**  
**Treasurer is Larry Morgan**  
**Secretary is Sue Gregory**

- \* Larry brought up that membership needs to focus to get 10-15% more memberships.

**Adjourned at 9:00 p.m.**