

April 23, 2009



**Attendance:** Sarah Cohen, Amanda Sanchez, Tony Stutts, Jerry Stein, Theresa Weddell, Bo Cung, Jay White (Former Board Member)

**Next Meeting:** Thursday, April 23, 7:30-9pm Tony Stutts' house

**Action Items for Next Meeting:**

1. Sarah will deliver a flyer about crime awareness to the block captains and Theresa will send a mass email with the same information.
2. Theresa will ask Suzann Burris to coordinate the Garage Sale, May 16<sup>th</sup>. Sarah will deliver the flyer for the Garage Sale to the block captains.
3. Jerry will get an updated coupon for Calloway's to replace the expired coupon on the website.
4. Theresa will send a mass email to notify residents that the newsletter is now online.

**Board Member Reports:**

**Tony Stutts - President –Guest Speaker Jay White for Crime Update**

- Crime Update – Jay White and Theresa Weddell, brings the police map of Fort Worth, burglary is up 257%. A word of mouth report is that burglary is up 400% from The Meadows of Candle ridge south.
- Two burglars were caught in the Starry Ct. alley in the daytime, at least 3 more burglaries were saved due to vigilant neighbors calling 911.
- Tony hopes to send out a flyer from the board to re-educate people to call 911 every time we see something unusual. The more calls will drive up more police patrol. The flyer should increase awareness to crime prevention and put in numbers to police and include another request for emails to get an email whenever there is a break-in in our neighborhood.
- We should step up the citizen on patrol efforts of resident Eric Brown.
- Tony and Jerry agree we should send a flyer on the door of each resident in addition to an email and this will add value to the homeowners association.
- Jay White –claimed his neighbor put out sod in the yard and it was stolen out of the yard at night.
- Sarah suggests that maybe we put the Summer Creek car stickers to identify cars that belong in the neighborhood---will review later.

**Garage Sale Update – May 16<sup>th</sup>**

- Jen Gibbons has moved, but did leave the information for managing the Garage Sale.
- We have to do flyers, with date and time, and a form with the name and address and \$3 to include for the Garage sale, including due date to return.
- Sarah has volunteered to get the flyers out to the block captains.
- Theresa volunteered to ask Suzann Burris to coordinate the garage sale, by collecting the money, run the advertisement, and gets the permit.

**Tax Update**

- The tax exempt status is still under review for re-instatement, hopefully this will be finalized in a couple months.

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- We are getting back on a calendar year, from the previous fiscal year setup.
- When Bob Delveaux moves, Jerry Stein has offered to file the taxes going forward.
- We do not owe taxes on the \$25,000 that we received from Fleet.

#### Political Support

- The board does not promote or support a political cause or vote. Jungus Jordan was the campaign in question. Non-profits cannot support a political campaign.
- Theresa will send out facts about the history of Jungus' projects, but we cannot say that the board supports any particular candidate.
- We can announce election date, but we cannot suggest whom to vote for. The board will review political emails before they are sent.
- No solicitation for personal use can be sent to addresses or emails provided to the neighborhood association.

#### Jerry Stein – Treasurer – Official Budget Report

- Jerry feels we are on track now, \$36,000 in the bank, in track with past years unless we have large expenditures unexpected (especially wall repairs or landscaping)
- Biggest concern is dues in arrears - \$7,000
- The income stream has stopped, we are left with about 25 people still have not paid
- Most likely we can try to collect from those in arrears to make partial payments
- Theresa asks about the Edward Jones account, which is emergency savings only \$6,300. This is not to be used for operating expenses.
- Jerry is submitting our application to the Fort Worth League of Neighborhoods, the board's contact information will be provided for president, VP's, and newsletter. Jerry will be the delegate and contact person for the FW League of Neighborhoods.

#### Bo Cung – Weeds and Deeds

- Bo says we are lucky this year. We have about two panels that need to be repaired this year. We hopefully will not have to use the \$10,000 in the budget, but Bo requests to keep the money in this budget item just in case.
- Bo reports a decrease for requests for home improvements projects approval this year.

#### Theresa Weddell – Landscaping

- We won the "Fort Worth Pride" because of the beautification efforts last year.
- There are quite a few dead fringe flower "pixie" (*Lorapedlum*) bushes in the new brick planter on Summer Creek Drive that will have to be replaced.
- We have reserved \$9,000 for monthly lawn and shrub annual maintenance total. Our annual budget for flowers this year is \$1,500.
- Theresa proposed that if it costs the whole flower budget to do only sweet potatoes.
- Winter flowers have not done well the last two years. Theresa suggests eliminating them this year.

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- Sarah agrees that the rose bushes look great, and driving by, you don't notice the weeds. If we have to save costs, we can let the winter flower color go.
- Jerry suggests looking into the yard vendor if we can possibly get a lower price.
- Board agrees to keep the budget for landscaping as is.
- Jerry noted that the Calloway's coupon is expired on the website, and he will get it updated to 2009.

### **Sarah Cohen –Newsletter**

- Thank you for the updates, especially to Theresa.
- There have been no requests for paper newsletters.
- Theresa is asked to send a blast email to the neighborhood to tell everyone that the newsletter is available and now online.

### **Amanda Sanchez –Secretary**