

Oracle Foothills Neighborhood Association
Board Meeting
May 12, 2014
5459 N. Agave Dr.
Tucson, AZ 85704

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:05pm by president Robert Bolton.

Board Members Present: Robert Bolton, Susan Berger, John Battaile, Roxie Lopez, Jay DeAngeli, Tom Scarborough, Bente Jensen, Delann DeBenedetti, Leo Roop

Neighbors present: Robert Lanier, Barbara Bolton, Carolyn Redmore, Angelo Dellacona, Carole DeAngeli (Recording Secretary)

Board Members Absent: Mary Jo Schwartz, Ron Kuykendall

Minutes - It was moved, seconded and approved unanimously that the minutes of the previous meeting be accepted as distributed by e-mail.

Treasurer's Report - Jay distributed the Treasurer's Report, which indicated very little activity this period - one dues receipt and one check for minutes. Cash on hand: \$12,862. The Treasurer's Report was unanimously approved.

Hospitality Report - Carole reported on home sales and other real estate activity. The new people living at 545 E. Agave are Bea and Salvador Diaz.

Website - Carole said there is nothing new to report.

Tea Room - Robert introduced Bruce Read, owner of Chantilly Tea Room, who asked to make a presentation to the Board. Bruce outlined his plan to close the tea room and sell the property. In order to do that, he is required to request an amendment to the Pima County Comprehensive Plan since that property is presently specifically only allowed to have a tea room. He first came to some of the board members and asked that we support him changing the use to beauty salon or professional office. He is now asking us to consider a long list of businesses allowed under his zoning, CB-1. He was originally approached about a sale by the owner of a beauty salon, but that sale may not work due to the timing of the County process. He stated that he would not want any use more intensive than what is currently there, and that he would ask that his current restrictions regarding alcohol, late hours, etc. remain in place. His plea is to be able to market his property and he does not want to limit the market to a narrow segment. Bruce would like a letter of support from the Board as soon as possible, but definitely within the week.

Old Business

Beautification - Genematas/Rudasill street island. This item was previously raised by Mary Jo, but no action was taken at that time. Jay said that we have money in the budget and he would like to make some improvements to that island at the entrance to our neighborhood. We must be careful not to create any hazards to drivers, such as big boulders or tall vegetation. It was moved, seconded and approved that we proceed with beautification of the island, within our current budget.

West Yvon Dr. ROW Abandonment - this project is proceeding through the abandonment process with Pima County. The Catalina Foothills Center (the Lodge) has agreed to join the abandonment through their property. Once all the preparatory work has been done, including surveys, the issue will go to the Pima County Board of Supervisors for approval. There was a discussion regarding closure of the roadway between OF neighbors and the Lodge property. OFNA cannot close the road at Genematas as that would deny access to the neighbors in our subdivision. These property owners will have to make the decision about road closure once the project received final approval.

Crime/Neighborhood Watch - Carole recounted some recent vehicle larcenies on Maria Drive. Other than that, there has been very little crime in the neighborhood.

New Business

Tea Room - The board discussed the request from Bruce Read. All agreed that it is important to retain the restrictions currently in place regarding alcohol, hours, etc. Jay reiterated the fact that parking has been an issue at times, with cars parked along both sides of Genematas, inhibiting traffic and making for a dangerous situation. John agreed to draft a letter basically supporting Bruce's request.

Lodge Development - Carole reported that Pima County has received preliminary requests from the owners of the Catalina Foothills Center to redevelop their property with houses on small lots. There is nothing more specific to report at this time, but we will follow up as information becomes available.

Next Meeting - August 11, 2014, at Susan Berger's house, 60 E. Yvon Dr.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:10 pm.

Carole DeAngeli

Recording Secretary