Forest Oaks Homeowners’ Association Meeting

October 20, 2022

Minutes

The annual meeting of the Forest Oaks Homeowners’ Association took place on October 20, 2022, at 1812 Rosedale Drive, Edmond OK 73013. Those in attendance were Shelia Brown, Miles & Jayne Hall, Stephen & Angie Schexnayder, Warren Stickrod, Diane King, Mary Berryman, Lisa Hudson, Jim Hargis and Elaine Weinmeister. Our guest speaker for the evening was Edmond City Councilwoman for Ward 3, Christin Mugg. The Hall grandchildren served as greeters, nametag helpers and refreshment servers.

Stephen Schexnayder opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m. He introduced Christin Mugg, and she gave those present an update on Edmond projects and basic information about the Edmond City Council. She stated that our mayor is Darrell Davis, and he has served one term. The council has 4 wards plus the mayor. The city council members are re-elected every 2 years for a four-year term. Members are elected on a staggered basis every two years. The city council is a non-partisan body. Mrs. Mugg serves until May, 2025.

Mrs. Mugg reviewed current city projects.

1. There is an election on Nov. 8 concerning the zoning change for the property west of I-35 and north of 33rd Street. There is a signed petition that has to go to the ballot for resolution. The property is currently zoned A Single Family and E Retail Commercial. The owner wanted the property to be zoned PUD allowing a multi-family apartment building plus retail. Citizens petitioned not to allow this. Mrs. Mugg stated that apartments do not overcrowd schools, that there is a need for affordable housing in Edmond to accommodate the growing number of hospitals and businesses along I-35 and that traffic is always an issue. More information is on the city website: edmondok.com. The project formerly proposed has been withdrawn, but the property owner would like to develop the property in other ways. Voter turnout determines the number of signatures required for a petition.
2. The Hafer Park addition added a temporary sales tax for the city in order to purchase the property. Edmond is planning to turn the property over to the Edmond Land Conservancy which will maintain it as a natural environment. The tax has generated $5 million for the purchase and future maintenance. The land will not be part of the Parks & Recreation Department.
3. Broadway Extension (highway 77) will be resurfaced as an ODOT project. Resurfacing will also occur along Route 66 (2nd Street) and I-35. This may extend along I-35 to Waterloo.
4. Edmond does not have the authority to prevent cannabis businesses.
5. There are plans for a new Community Center/YMCA/Library at I-35 and 15th Streets near Henderson Hills Baptist Church. It should be completed in 2 years.
6. A new City Hall will be built next year. Destruction of the current community building may begin in March, 2023. The City Hall will be 4 to 5 stories and will include a parking garage.
7. In Edmond, our utilities pay for themselves. We will have a water treatment plant upgrade in the future.
8. There is talk of a commuter rail possibility. ODOT may have plans for frontage roads. The citylink bus route to Oklahoma City was discontinued except for times at 12:00 and 2:00 p.m. to accommodate workers who travel from Edmond.

Citizens can find out more information by attending city council meetings (which are the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month) or by watching them on TV. Edmond is always looking for people to serve on boards, so let Mrs. Mugg know if you are interested in serving. Traffic is the #1 complaint in the city. If you google “City of Edmond projects,” you can find out the status of a project. On November 4, they will have a strategic planning meeting. Scott Rigby is the new city manager. Steve Manek is the city engineer.

Mrs. Mugg departed with a donated gift, and the business of the HOA began.

President Stephen Schexnayder asked for approval of the minutes of the HOA from March 17, 2022. Copies of the minutes were provided. Warren Stickrod moved to approve the minutes. The minutes were seconded and approved as written.

Shelia Brown presented the 2022 expense summary. At this time, our expenses have not exceeded our budget. Mowing will probably be over-budget by the end of the year. Warren moved to accept the financial report. It was seconded and approved.

Miles Hall conceded his Officer-at-Large report to Christin Mugg’s remarks.

Mary Berryman reported that a new streetlight had been installed at 1709 Running Branch, and two replacement streetlights had been installed on Running Branch. In 2020, the HOA approved 2 more streetlights, and we only added one on Singingwood. Mary is looking for another location. Elaine reported that Sarah Kitterman won the prize concerning the question posed in the newsletter.

Yard-of-the-Month recipients were highlighted in the recent newsletter. The next award will be for December decorative house lights.

The garage sale took place on Oct. 1 in Forest Oaks. This was a welcomed event since Covid had kept us from providing this for the past 2 years. Lisa Boevers chaired the event and did a wonderful job.

Shelia Brown presented the proposed 2023 budget. Costs are rising, so the board proposed increasing line items of mowing and utilities and decreased the amount for holiday décor. The proposed budget totals $9,150.00. Miles moved to approve the budget. It was seconded and approved.

Stephen presented the 2023 Slate of Officers:

President – Stephen Schexnayder

Vice-President – Warren Stickrod

Treasurer – Shelia Brown

Secretary – Elaine Weinmeister

Officer-at-Large – Miles Hall

There were no nominations from the floor. Diane King moved to approve the slate. It was seconded and approved.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Weinmeister