Forest Oaks Homeowners’ Association Meeting

March 17, 2022

Minutes

A regular meeting of the Forest Oaks Homeowners’ Association took place on March 17, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. at 1901 Ridgecrest Road, Edmond, OK 73013. Our previously scheduled meeting had technical difficulties and had to be postponed. Those present were Shelia Brown, Angie and Stephen Schexnayder, Elaine Weinmeister, Warren Stickrod, Tanya Williams and Lisa Hudson.

President Stephen Schexnayder called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. He called for approval of the minutes from the previous meeting of October 25, 2021. Copies of the minutes were provided. Warren Stickrod moved to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded, and the minutes were approved as written.

Treasurer Shelia Brown reported on the 2021 expense summary for the HOA. Contributions covered expenses for the year, even though there were unusual expenses for entry weeding and mulch, limb removal, creation of new daffodil beds along the north entry and streetlight tree trimming. Volunteers took care of heavy snow and ice removal and salting.

The audit of the financial records for 2021 took place on January 17, 2022. Diane King and Rochelle Wagoner audited the treasurer’s records and found all to be in order.

Shelia also presented the year-to-date expenses which included above-average expenses thus far for snow and ice removal and holiday décor. We installed two lights at the entry that shine on the lacebark elm. Instead of buying lights to wrap the tree for patriotic holidays, we bought lights that can change colors using a phone app. At this point, 54% of the residents of Forest Oaks have paid dues. Warren Stickrod moved to approve the financial report. The motion was seconded, and the report was approved.

Shelia reported for Mary Berryman about the streetlight improvements. A new streetlight will be installed at 1709 Running Branch. The Bristol light has been on backorder since December, so an installation date has not been set. The light at 1709 Running Branch will incur a monthly fee of $25 to pay for electricity. All the required documents have been signed. Two replacement streetlights will be installed at 1729 and 2000 Running Branch. They replace original wooden lights, and the HOA will not have to pay the electricity fee but will have to pay the increased cost of $2,050 per light. The HOA approved an amount of $2700 for these lights on October 22, 2019. Warren Stickrod moved to approve an additional $1400 to pay for the increased streetlight replacement cost. The motion was seconded and approved.

The Yard-of-the-Month committee needs a new volunteer. Our former chairperson moved out of the neighborhood this year. Tanya Williams agreed to chair the committee.

Elaine Weinmeister gave the landscaping committee report. She reported that two new jewel box distylium plants were planted in front of the Forest Oaks sign last November. They are supposed to be evergreen and they appear a little brown, so we will see if they survive. Total cost of fall planting was $250.76. Last December, Patti Taylor, Shelia Brown and Elaine planted 100 daffodil bulbs along the north entry on Ridgecrest. The soil was so dry that we had to hire Cruz to dig in soil amendment and fertilizer. The project cost us $486.17. A car crashed into the streetlight nearby and it took about 2 months to get it replaced by the city. The spring planting will be a mix of several different types of plants.

Warren Stickrod reported on the flagpole lighting project. Warren hopes to get the trenches dug for the electrical lines before spring planting this year.

Elaine asked about progress on the Plexiglas replacement piece for the message board. Angie Schexnayder suggested getting an electronic sign that could be programmed. Stephen and Warren will do further research.

The question of having food trucks was discussed. Angie chaired it last year and many trucks canceled with very little notice. A couple of food trucks have been reliable, but in general, it appears that food trucks are not readily available to serve neighborhoods.

Elaine mentioned that several people have asked about a neighborhood garage sale. We have canceled them for the past 2 years due to Covid. We will hope to provide one this spring, if we can find a chairperson. Tanya had a suggestion for a chairperson. Elaine will contact her.

We do not have many people willing to spread ice melt when ice and snow arrive. We could store ice melt in a neighbor’s garage. We have been hiring a man to handle this for us, and he is reliable.

Stephen adjourned the meeting at 8:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Weinmeister