Highlands at Geist Homeowners Association Meeting
July 11, 2011
7:00 ï 9:10 pm

9 lots were represented at the meeting. See attached attendance list. 16 lots are needed for a quorum, however, HOA President, Dave Wiseley, said that there were no major votes needed for this meeting.

1. Introductions
2. Activities: Dave wants to evaluate activities based on changes in the neighborhood. He stressed that they are dependent upon volunteers who are interested in running them.
    a. **Easter Egg Hunt** ï Consensus to eliminate this for the time-being. No objections.
    b. **Neighborhood Garage Sale** ï very successful. Feedback was that it was a great weekend to hold it (July 8-9). Lisa Williams organized this year ï Angela Lupton will help her if she will do it again next year.
    c. **National Night Out –** First Tuesday in August every year. Emma Dinkins is in charge of Crime Watch and will do the night out this year, but she is looking for a replacement.
    d. **Block Party –** timing? Weôve tried several times. Karl Kloc volunteered? Is he still interested? It involves ordering chicken from Marsh, pick a cul-de-sac and organize activities. Probably 2 weeks planning time and 6 hours that evening. Pat Carroll asked if there was a budget ï yes there is, but Jim Muhl will cover that later in the finances. No one volunteered to do the block party. One suggestion was to hold the block party in the spring.
    e. **Santa visit-** hire horse-drawn carriage with Santa to make home visits during one Saturday in December. The cost is $1000 and we had 9-10 kids visit Santa last year. Is Maureen Lewis willing to organize again? Some ideas: charge small fee, take reservations at Halloween event, and collaborate with another neighborhood association? Final consensus was to have a group investigate options alternative to the carriage ride, as it is the most expensive activity in the neighborhood.
    f. **Halloween parade and costume contest –** Michelle Grelle organized last year. Hopefully she will be willing to organize again. It was held in her cul-de-sac last year.

3. Committees.
    a. <u>Crime Watch</u> ï Emma Dinkins is manager. 9 Block Captains needed. Emma would like to step down. Information is on the city of Lawrence website. Pat Carroll offered up that you can also sign up for 911 call reports through the Indy Star.
    b. <u>Board ï</u> Dave explained all of the duties of each office. All positions are open, although Jim Muhl is willing to continue as treasurer.
        i. President: Open

ii. Vice-President: Jim Hazzard
iii. Treasurer: Jim Muhl
iv. Secretary: open
v. Architectural Control Committee: 3 spots are filled presently: Donna Carroll, Deanna Cope, and Karl Kloc.
vi. Landscaping: Hazzards oversee presently.

4. Pending projects/issues

a**. Front Sign**: Needs to be replaced. Pat Carroll presented a few options, explaining the composition of the current sign. It is 15 years old. Other examples presented were Feather Cove II and Glen Cove. Signco (Larry Pratt) can patch and paint for $1150. Replace with similar for $3500. The sign would look the same. Shackelford Masonry can do similar to Glen Cove/Feather Cove and would be smaller than our existing sign; Font and size would be up to us. Cost is $3750 and that would include graffiti-proofing. The consensus was that they liked the Glen Cove sign. Patch and repair would be throwing good money after bad. Suggestion to have a 3-4 person committee to determine the design. Pat and Jim Muhl, and Ann Krider will be on the committee. ACC will give final approval.

b. **Mailbox maintenance**: Website has all the information for replacement and standards. The vendor suggests that you carwax the box and oil the hinges. Dave would like to buy enough paint for the posts and have it available through the ACC.

c**. Legal**: Threat of a suit due to a request to build something in a backyard that has been declined. (Basketball court). ACC has declined on several occasions and met with the party involved. Deanna Cope commented that she thought if it went to court, it would cost us somewhere between $3000-$5000. A letter from an attorney has been sent to the party involved.

d. **Directory** ï need someone new to organize. Dave recommended that we organize it by address rather than lot number. ï **Deanna Cope** will do the directory this year. Susan Muhl has Chad Sievertsonôs email, and we will ask her to contact him to see if he has it on disc and get it to Dina.

e**. Dues** (presently $125/year) : Jim Muhl reviewed the financials. He also reviewed the payables. Jim expects to receive about $2000 of the $6154 still payable. Jim does not understand what liability we have with the retention pond. Dave has talked to the president of Glen Cove and he was not clear on that either. Pat Carroll made a motion that we agree that 2012 dues will be raised to $150 and then do the official vote at next Octoberôs meeting. Due to the condition of the sign we may move forward with the project after further financial review and if a design is picked.

5. New Issues:
   - Retention Pond ï check with Jerry Wilkey at the City of Lawrence.
   - Raise Dues for 2012 to $150 per year?
   - Suggestion to substitute the Santa visit with updated decorations or better lights.
   - Management Company? Probably would double our present dues.

- City ordinance that trees should be kept trimmed. How do we address that?

Volunteers:
Crime Watch ï Kevin Bedwell
Vice President ï Pat Carroll
President ï
Secretary ï Phil Dixon

Pat Carroll asked that everyone try to recruit a neighbor.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Wiseley