

## **VOW HOA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes – July 16, 2007**

- A Board of Directors meeting was held July 16, 2007 at 7 pm in the VOW clubhouse.
- Board members present: Mary Hansley, Lad Culkowski, Henry Goldner, Jim Ward.
- Notices of the meeting were posted on the Community Bulletin Board, on the VOW Website, and by a brochure distributed to all households in VOW.
- A motion was made by Lad to approve the minutes from the May 21, 2007 Board Meeting. Mary seconded the motion. All approved present approved (4-0).

### **Reports**

#### **Treasurer's Report**

- C J provided the Treasurer's Report.
- C J reported that the Vow delinquency account balance is \$311.00 as of June 30, 2007 and that all of it should be paid by the end of the second half of the year. \$198.00 of the unpaid balance is owed by one homeowner.
- A motion was made by Mary to transfer \$7,000 from the Operating Fund into the Reserve Fund.
- The treasurer's written report will be filed with the minutes.

#### **Architectural Review Committee Report**

- Ray Alie provided the ARC Report.
- The report included 3 Requests for Improvements, since the last meeting, all of which were approved.
- The committee reported a request to install an emergency generator at 6201 Glenwilton Lane.
- There was a request to install a retractable patio awning at 6227 Somerset Lane.
- A request to modify landscaping with brick retaining walls and additional planting beds at 6124 South Mayfair.
- The full written report is filed with the minutes

#### **Grounds Committee Report**

- Barbara Shaal reported on Spring Plantings for VOW 2007.
- She reported that with the help of Jacqui and Bob Winther, Clara Gray, Iris Lamb, Ann Johnson, Kathleen Barnes, Lydia Marin, Pat Junkin, Joan Robertson, Janice and Jim Mayfield, Donna Ward, and Jean Thompson, we planted 320 pots of annuals for the spring. Kristina Cilia also planted nine bushes on the lower part of the hill ending St. Johns Woods.
- For the fall we are planning to make some plant improvements at the clubhouse entrance with more drought-tolerant plants. If available, there will also be some trees purchased for planting at the two common areas on St. Johns Wood that have asked for help with appearance and water run-off. We will do what is possible with the budget we have for this year.

## **Nominating Committee Report**

- No report

## **Pool Committee Report**

- Ann Johnson provided the report.
- Ann reported two incidents of vandalism at the pool/clubhouse. Consequently the vending machine, on motion by Mary, seconded by Lad, approved by all present 4-0, will be permanently removed from the premises.
- Ants are still a problem around the pool.
- The \$500 eyewash station is installed in the pump room.
- Storage for pool furniture and equipment is a major problem. The need for a shed to store the equipment was discussed. Lad Culkowski and Ray Alie will investigate and report to a future meeting their findings.
- We need to purchase an extra large tarp to cover the lounge chairs before September 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- Aquatic exercise by Jo Ann Daus is under way and has 14 participants.
- Having our web site and the entrance sign is a big help in advertising our pool activities.
- The pool is going well this year.
- The requested Pool maintenance report to Douglas Aquatics has been sent.
- Douglas Aquatics has still not repaired the leak in the pump room.
- The complete written report is filed with the minutes.

## **Berkeley Property Management Report**

- C J provided the report.
- C J reported no progress on obtaining a no soliciting sign at this time.
- He has had contact with owner of 6209 St Johns Wood concerning the number of people living in the home.
- Presented a proposal, for future action, from Williamsburg electric to install new light poles and lights in the Clubhouse area. Lad recommended there be added a consideration to install wiring for cameras(s) on these poles.
- Presented an estimate from Valley Crest to do landscaping repairs on Wellesley Boulevard.
- He would like to have irrigation upgrade funds in the budget for next year (2008).
- C J reported on the drainage problem in Somerset. His suggested a meeting with the 22 homeowners involved on August 20, 2007 to educate them about what needs to be done to resolve this issue. A letter will be sent to the homeowners inviting them to this meeting.
- C J also reported that the County has finished repairs on the drainage project in Regents Park and St. John's Woods.
- Motion made by Jim, seconded by Mary to approve the funds needed to make the suggested landscaping improvements on Wellesley Boulevard. Motion approved by all present, 4-0.

## **Newsletter Committee Report**

- The Committee has no membership at present.

## **Neighborhood Watch Report**

- The Committee has no membership at present.

## **CONCERNS FROM THE FLOOR**

- An item will be placed in the next monthly brochure informing homeowners of the regulations concerning the registration of newly installed Satellite Dishes.
- Barbara Shaal asked: “Why are discussions not recorded in the minutes.” Much discussion followed. The answer to her question is that only action items and committee reports are included in the minutes.
- Rose Graning inquired as to what is being done about water in the Somerset area. This concern was addressed by CJ in the Property Manager’s Report.
- Mary will check with Skip Jensen about availability of the Minutes on the VOW Website.
- Shaun Robinson wanted to know if there was any funding and space available for a playground in Vow. He would like to pursue the concept and is willing to chair an investigating committee. Henry will work with him as the representative from Board.
- Shaun also inquired about the existence of the Neighborhood Watch Committee. Mary answered that the NWC does not currently exist.

## **Old Business**

- Mary reported that the Rental Issue Committee has not met since the last Board Meeting but will meet before the next Board Meeting.

## **New Business**

- Henry wants to have another Halloween Party this year and volunteered to Chair it. The party will be held on Sunday October 28, 2007

## **Adjournment**

- Next regularly scheduled meeting will be September 17, 2007 at 7pm in the clubhouse.