

Sunset Cove Homeowners' Association

Monthly Board of Directors Meeting

May 27, 2014

Meeting Room of the Anacortes

MINUTES

Board attendees: Paul Allen, Barbara Ballentine, Victor Brzeg, Jackie Etsell, and Stan Singer.

Board absent: Vickie Cooley.

Members present: Bill Ballentine, Mike Brent, Deanna Brzeg, Nancy Lovett, Tony Maggio, Cori Nelson, Jim Nelson, Mike Russell, Amy Schnabel, Susan Singer, Bill Whittemore, and Carrie Worra.

1. Call to Order and Welcome:

The meeting was called to order by Barbara Ballentine at 7:00 p.m.

2. Meeting Minutes:

The minutes from the April meeting had been circulated electronically and approved as sent.

3. Finances:

The beginning balance for April 2014 was \$27,293.14. With expenses of \$3,978.09 and zero receivables the end of the month balance was \$23,315.05. The savings account balance was \$5,701.76. There are a few budget categories that are tracking a bit high for the year so far (repairs & maintenance and new landscaping), but these were planned for the year. The treasurer report was approved by the Board.

4. Committee Reports:

4a. ARC – In Vickie Cooley's absence Paul Allen reported that there was nothing new for the committee, but there was still a lot of building going on.

4b. Landscape – Paul Allen noted that:

- Pioneer Tree Service cut down the six overgrown Western Red Cedar trees in the medians, for \$115 per tree (much less than another estimate). More mulch will be spread over the stumps later this summer; while replacement plants will be determined later. Homeowners were sent an informational email regarding the project a week prior.
- The median's lavender plants which had become woody and "non-productive" were replaced, as approved.
- Mowing letters were sent to the owners of vacant lots early in the month; a reminder email will be sent to owners of the lots which have not yet been mowed, with a deadline of June 15. No response to date from GT Development regarding the overgrown vacant lots by the Gardens.
- A dead tree "snag" was removed behind SCE Lot 9.
- A water meter has been installed as the first step in providing an irrigation system at the entry to Sunset Cove. We are waiting to put in the rest.

4c. Publicity – Victor Brzeg reported that three homeowners have signed up to participate in the community garage sale on Saturday, June 7, 8 a.m. until whenever; an ad will be placed in the Clamdigger the week of the sale. He also noted that he found a set of BMW keys; meanwhile,

several cars in the neighborhood have been burgled recently (however, most of the affected cars had been left unlocked).

5. Old Business:

5a. No new suggestions have been received as part of the Suggestions Project since the last meeting.

5b. Bill Whittemore noted that the Condo Association has had no response from the letter to GT Development regarding the mowing at the Gardens (mentioned above).

5c. Jim Nelson remarked about the necessary follow-up required for the mowing of vacant lots (mentioned above).

6. New Business:

6a. Amy Schnabel (and Carrie Worra) brought up the subject of how to enforce the speed limit along Washington Boulevard and Washington Court, and other options for getting people to slow down and be more aware of children playing near and/or in the streets. Discussion included the possibility for more signs – but since the streets are City-owned, the likelihood of installing more signs is practically nil – and encouraging kids to stay out of the street in the first place. It was also mentioned that it is not just residents who drive up and down “our” street; many visitors and trades people travel the road.

6b. Jim Nelson reminded us that there are still some very big evergreen trees, many with new spring growth, that will also get too tall for our landscape people to prune (like the Western Red Cedars mentioned earlier).

7. The **next meetings** are scheduled for Thursdays, June 12, July 10, and August 21, 2014, at 7:00 p.m. at the Anacortes Library.

8. The meeting was **adjourned** at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jackie Etsell
SCHOA Secretary/Treasurer