

**GTNA Meeting Minutes**  
**October 4, 2021**  
**6:30 – 7:30 p.m. meeting via Zoom Meeting**

**Attending: Jay Russell, Jane Sarafiny, Dana Russell, Ruth Paulson, Helen Sheahan, Mayo Ewanowski, Kathy Batha, Judi Duncan, Guest: Joel Weitz**

Meeting started at 6:32pm.

**In-Person Meetings.** The Meadowridge Library is not yet available for meetings. We will keep checking.

**Joel Weitz-Vitense Improvements.** Vitense Golfland is proposing renovation of the upper level to add 9 more golf suites. The first golf suites were built in 2014. In 2018, more renovations were done and Vitense now has 16 suites. They have to go through the City approval process including the Urban Design Commission. The first step is to talk to neighborhood associations. The GTNA has no objections and there is no need for the GTNA to write a letter at this time to help with the approval process.

The **September Minutes** were approved.

**Ms. Helen Sheahan.** Welcome to our new Area 6 Representative!

**Tailor Place Apartments.** There has been a request for the GTNA to represent the Tailor Place Apartments. The Greentree Neighborhood, as defined by the City of Madison, does not include any properties on the north side of Schroeder Road. Thus, GTNA does not represent any of those apartment complexes and, at this point, there is no need to change that plan.

**Halloween Bonfire.** Mr. Russell has received approval from the Madison Parks Division to use the park for the bonfire. The General Burning Permit Application has been sent to the Fire Department. There are volunteers to make and serve hot chocolate and a volunteer to coordinate the wood supply and delivery. Everything is on track.

**Greentree Directory.** There was a discussion on whether or not to include all names of Greentree residents in the directory – even those who are not GTNA members – due to privacy concerns. It was decided that resident information is available through the City website so the only privacy issue is the people who returned the survey requesting that their names not appear in the Directory. The Directory is printed every 2 years and is one of the benefits of paying dues to the GTNA.

**GTNA Communication.** It is important to keep the GTNA residents informed of issues in the neighborhood and how the GTNA is representing the Greentree residents. We will work on getting the GTNA.org website updated including adding the GTNA Board Meeting Minutes. Mr. Phillip Cowles manages the website but he needs to be given instructions. Mr. Russell and Ms. Russell will continue to work on that. In addition, it is important to provide timely information to residents – for example, the recent letter that Ms. Sarafiny sent to the Mayor requesting that there be no cuts to funding to the Madison Police Department budget. That letter should also be posted on NextDoor. Ms. Ewanowski will email the letter to the Greentree residents on the List Serve.

Ms. Paulson offered to revive the Facebook account and also set up a Twitter and Instagram account. Ms. Sarafiny will follow up with Tanace Matthiesen to allow Ms. Paulson to access and

change the Greentree Facebook account. As there are followers to the current page, it is important not to start a new account and lose those who are currently following the existing page.

**New Residents.** Ms. Paulson suggested that new residents should receive a Greentree Directory. Ms. Sarafiny will look into the cost for printing extra copies for new residents. They can be included in the new member folders which can be requested from Ms. Batha.

**GTNA Duties and Functions.** Currently Ms. Sarafiny, as President of GTNA, is handling too many duties e.g., Treasurer, 4<sup>th</sup> of July Coordinator, GTNA membership. Those duties need to be spread out, so they are not all falling on her.

Ms. Ewanowski will take over the GTNA Membership duties as she is putting together the GTNA Directory. She will do it using Excel as she does not have access to the Microsoft Access database that has been used in the past. Her goal is to print the Directory before the end of the year. She will look into getting advertising from the CopperTop Restaurant, MG&E and George Vitense to help offset the costs of printing the directory.

The GTNA needs a Treasurer. Having a regular treasurer's report will help the board to understand the status of the GTNA account, income and expenses.

The GTNA needs a coordinator for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July event.

Annual All Neighborhood meeting. It was decided that, due to Covid-19, the Annual All Neighborhood meeting will be held next Spring. The date is to be determined.

The meeting ended at 7:47pm

**The next GTNA Board meeting is scheduled for Monday November 1, 2021, starting at 6:30 p.m. and will be held via a Zoom meeting session.**