

## Casa del Cielo Homeowner's Association Meeting

February 21, 2016

**Members Present:** Barry Bader, Mike Wolfe, Vicki Spellman, Gordon Minier, Hilda Banyon

**Others Present:** Ralph Balding , Ann Harris, Jeanne Balding, Shirley Eksvall, Dave White

**Call to Order:** President Bader called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

Motion made by Spellman and seconded by Wolfe to approve minutes of the January 17<sup>th</sup> meeting as amended. **Motion carried**

**Resignation:** Vicki Spellman submitted her resignation from the Board of Directors and as Treasurer for Cdc, effective when she is replaced as Treasurer and her duties are transferred. Banyon moved, Minier seconded to accept Spellman's resignation. **Motion carried.** Bader thanked her on behalf of the Board for her long and dedicated service.

**Financials:** Board members received January financials via email prior to meeting. Motion by Wolfe, seconded by Minier to accept the January Financial report as presented. **Motion carried.**

**Architectural Control Committee:** Minier reported that two homes for sale have been inspected. Owners have been notified there are a few minor items to be corrected.

The ACC is currently reviewing the issue of backyard gates. For information only, a draft of the proposed guidelines was distributed to the Board. The Board asked Minier to check with Scottsdale Ranch to see if there is a policy that precludes what CdC would be doing and to bring back a final proposal to the March meeting.

Parked Cars. Discussion regarding the abuse of overnight parking, etc. ensued. Questions raised were: How do we enforce the rules? Can fines be assessed? How do we collect said fines? Do we want to place a lien against property? Does Scottsdale Ranch have an overnight parking policy?

Bader asked that guidelines for parked cars be written and brought to March meeting. Minier will check with Scottsdale Ranch in regards to their policy and will revise our notice to include fine. In addition, Minier will visit with residents at 10074 (across from Bev) regarding parking issue.

Currently, the ACC meets when needed. Spellman said the ACC should have formal meetings and minutes, and was noted.

**Landscape:** Balding reported activity for past month:

- 1) walkway at 10063 E San Salvador which heaved due to tree roots was leveled and ground to be even.
- 2) new trees were planted at 10066, 10070, and 10083 Calle de Cielo Circle; 10061 E San Salvador and many bushes and plants were replaced throughout the neighborhood due to javelinas, cold weather, old age, or carelessness by contractor

3) Sandra Palaich complained about a neighbor's tree encroaching her yard and dropping fruit. The resident was visited by Balding and Minier, responded positively, and had Mauricio trim the trees in his yard.

4) All dying rosemary bushes at the Mountain View entrance have been removed, replaced, irrigation replaced and new DG installed as well as a couple of other bushes in the vicinity were placed.

5) Rose DiLola's (10054 E San Salvador) project has been completed to include drawing, tree removal and grass removal, brick border changes and plantings to mask utility boxes.

6) Cascalote trees have been added to the approved tree list.

7) Jean Dunsing's front yard was completed (at her expense)

8) 81 olive trees were sprayed on Thursday 2/18/16 according to the parameters listed on our email blasts. Thanks to all Committee members for their help.

9) The final replacement/repairs of irrigation drip systems will be starting in the next week or two.

**Nominating:** Motion made by Banyon, seconded by Minier to approve the Social Committee: Ann Harris, Chair; Jeanne Balding, Jean Dunsing, Anne Olson, Pat Good. **Motion carried.**

Motion made by Banyon, seconded by Wolfe, to approve corrected ACC members: Gordon Minier, Chair; Bob Bernstein, Ralph Balding, Ken Huettl, Tom Hughes. **Motion carried.**

Positions descriptions were distributed to all board members and committee chairs for review. This is a starting point. Please review and send any corrections/comments/etc to Banyon prior to March meeting.

**Communications:** Banyon reported that the outdated vendor list has been eliminated from the CdC website.

Deadline for getting information in the upcoming newsletter is March 1. It was requested that the newsletter include information about fruit trees and emphasizing that they must be picked timely to help avoid the roof rat problem. Shirley Eksvall will check the gmail account and forward emails to the appropriate board member or committee chair for handling.

**Pool:** Wolfe reported the hot tub is currently being worked on and should be ready to go in a few days. He feels a new heater will be needed soon. Comments from the Board indicated they are pleased with the outcome of the outside landscape lights around the pool.

**Social:** Harris has not had a chance to meet with Bev Hewitt to go over social committee responsibilities.

Upcoming events: March 24 – ladies day; April 23 work day

It was suggested that having a later start time and having a Saturday party periodically for the pool parties might spur more attendance.

Jeanne Balding requested that the Board come up with ideas to improve our neighborhood that could be implemented at the upcoming work day.

**Presidents Report:** Bader discussed potential legal questions that we could pose to an attorney that would be beneficial to the Board. Motion by Banyon, seconded by Wolfe to schedule a session with an attorney to discuss items presented by Bader. **Motion carried.**

Bader discussed how we would go about searching for new Financial Agent and presented a position description for an Ad Hoc Financial Services Search Committee. (description attached) Motion by Spellman, seconded by Minier to create an Ad Hoc Committee as soon as possible. **Motion Carried.**

Committee to consist of: Barry Bader, Hilda Banyon, Debra Castro, Doug Clark, and Tom Hughes.

Next board meeting March 20, 2016 10:30 at the pool

Meeting adjourned 1:00 p.m.

Submitted by: Hilda Banyon, Secretary