

Albany Park HOA 2018 Voters Meeting Notes

April 9, 2018

Meeting called to order – 7:01 PM

Agenda Items

1) Trustee Nomination / Election

2017 Trustees have all volunteered to serve again in 2018, no new nominations from the floor. Motion to re-elect current Trustees was made, vote passed. Trustees are:

- Roger Davidson
- Matthew Farrell
- Dan Harker

2) Treasurer

Kat Farrell has volunteered to serve again in 2018. We would all like to thank her for her service as Treasurer last year.

3) Treasurer's Report

The 2017 report was presented by Kat Farrell, including budget for 2018. She provided an explanation of expenses and dues collections.

4) President's Report

HOA dues were set to \$200 for 2018, this allows the HOA to help budget for possible snow removal/salting costs for next winter.

HOA dues invoices for 2018 have already gone out.

2017 accomplishments:

- Replacement entrance light on west side (LED)
- Current on filing Federal taxes (wasn't being done before)
- Replaced Bosk pond fountains (less expensive to replace than repair the old ones)
- Collection of dues has improved (action item from 2017)
- Visibility of HOA business has improved (action item from 2017)
- New 2018 landscape contract – a lot more expensive than prior years
- New 2018 Bosk pond maintenance contract – should be less expensive
- We had a new snow removal contract – hopefully will be able to utilize them again for 2018/2019 winter
- Board has been getting legal help with association activities and past due collections

5) Design Review Board Discussion

- Volunteers for the DRB have done a great job the last few years.
- 2017 – first round had 149 (corrected amount) violations while the third round was down to around 48, so we are getting there, but there's still work to be done

6) Social Planning Discussion

- Halloween party is in the budget, but we could also include assistance with additional community parties, i.e. block parties, special events and such
- Desired events? Please let the board know

7) Hamilton Quarter Development News

- Matt passed out flyers regarding development which can be downloaded at http://www.castoinfo.com/shared_assets/property_brochures/chq-overview-1.pdf
- Additional discussion regarding trail that would connect Thompson Park to Central College, running along east side of Albany Park and development to the north.

8) Open Floor / Resident's Discussion

- Concerns regarding excessive speeds in the neighborhood, especially along Albany Park Drive, what can be done about it?
 - Is it possible to get speed bumps installed? Have to check into this and does that negatively impact snow plowing.
 - Possibility of getting the mobile speed trailer back periodically.
 - Try to research any other possibilities, including 311 for suggestions.
- Any chance that the association can bill Casto for landscaping their property on the west side of Albany Park Drive?
 - Will check with contacts to see if we can get in contact with responsible party at Casto to ask about it.
- Discussion regarding the association's reserve fund, does it meet legal standards.
 - We will need to look into it, are trying to grow it without raising dues substantially
- Concern about potential increase in dues in upcoming years and the impact it could have on fixed income households. The board is trying to be fiscally responsible without having to raise dues, but it could happen. We will do our best to maintain dues at the current level.

Meeting Adjourned – 8:08 PM