

OAK PARK ESTATES NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION (OPENA)

MINUTES TO THE BOARD MEETING OF AUGUST 16th, 2019

The meeting was held at the residence of Jim Hauck, OPENA Communications Manager.

Tom welcomed everyone and thanked Jim for his hospitality. Each member introduced him/her self and then took photos for the website. These photos were taken by Bill McKinney, who will forward them to Jim Hauck for publishing on the website. Tom recapped the activities for July and August and noted that:

- 1) OPENA provided a copy of its bylaws to help the Glen View neighborhood in their organizing efforts.
- 2) OPENA has submitted an application to the Legal Aid of North West Texas (LANWT) for assistance in helping us secure our 501-C3 designation.
- 3) National Night Out will be held at Kiest Park on October 1st
- 4) Joe Lucas will coordinate the neighborhood Beautification Day to be held on November 2nd
- 5) Our annual election and holiday party will be on November 16th
- 6) The September general meeting will focus on zoning.

The next agenda item focused on committee reports:

Mary reported the Heritage Oak Cliff tour was set for October 19- 20th. To date ten (10) homes were listed for the tour. The cost will be \$10.00 for seniors.

She noted that Heritage Oak Cliff added the Southern Hills association to its membership and was instrumental in encouraging the City of Dallas to halt the demolition of 10th Street properties.

Beatrice reported that our funds total \$ 1957.58.

Application for reimbursement from HOC for facilities, website and social events totaled \$ 473.74.

The treasurer suggested that small purchases should be facilitated by use of the organization's Debit Card as opposed to using personal funds and waiting for reimbursement from the organization. This suggestion was agreed to as an operational policy.

Alex reported that our membership is now 59. Our contact list showed 238 people. Alex will coordinate efforts to contact each one in an effort to boost our membership for the new year.

Three people, Lucy, Alex and Patsy, were trained for the Volunteer in Patrol program. To effectively patrol the area, efforts will be made to increase this team to six people. Additionally, Alex will secure estimates for the cost of car magnet signs and flashing lights.

Other items the board addressed include:

- The board suggested a committee should be formed to establish guidelines for ads placed in our annual door hangers and on our website

- Reactivate the Yard of the Month program in time for the holiday season. The board agreed to start the program in September with the first award going to Jim Hauck.

Upcoming meetings of interest to OPENA include:

- A meeting will be held on September 5th to discuss the repurposing of the land currently occupied by the hospital on Hampton road
- City of Dallas will present a Code Academy on September 21st; 10:00 to 2:00pm
- Next Board meeting will be on October 19th; Alex's residence

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 pm

Respectfully Submitted on 08-29-19,

Richard Thomas
Secretary, Oak Park Estates Neighborhood Association (OPENA)

Update to August OPENA Board Meeting Minutes:

On Aug. 29-31, 2019, the OPENA Board conducted a vote by email on a motion made by Jim Hauck and seconded by Alex Gorinsky to authorize the purchase of a PA Sound System with accessories not to exceed \$600. The motion carried by a vote of 11 in favor and 4 not voting. The vote on the motion was recorded as follows:

Voting Yes:

- Mary Harrison
- Cynthia White
- Faye Williams
- James Fairchild
- Tom Forsyth
- Ann Herbage
- Jim Hauck
- Alex Gorinsky
- Judy Pollock
- Carl Hays
- Beatrice Lovett

Not Voting:

- Richard Thomas
- Lucy Livingston
- Brett Anderson
- Joe Lucas