

The Coventry HOA Board/member meeting, Nov. 3, 2019 (3-5 p.m., Hilliard Horizon School)

Board members were all present (Chad, Jason, Evan, Brandan), 9 Coventry residents in attendance; called to order around 3:20 p.m.

Board elections: There were two slots to be filled – Secretary (with Jason Bornhorst stepping down at this time) and 2nd Vice president (Jason Burk stepping down). David Connolly had been nominated for secretary (running unopposed); Shaman Sharma for 2nd VP (also running unopposed). A motion was made, seconded, approved (by voice vote of attendees) to accept the slate as presented with the two new members to serve effective Dec. 2019.

Treasurer's report: Approx. \$ [REDACTED] on hand as of Sept. 30, representing \$ [REDACTED] increase in funds YTD. There are still 20 homeowner dues accounts unpaid for 2019; these were sent to lawyer for processing; 13 of these 20 are cases of recurrent/existing liens from previous non-payment.

HOA Documents: Ongoing issue of “what these should look like” with little/no feedback on documents posted online at thecoventryonline.com. All are encouraged to review and comment on the site; we anticipate adding more documents and information on the website going forward.

Landscaping committee: Interested in volunteers to do fall clean-up; the last hired mowing occurred last week; it is too late for any new planting this year – can evaluate options in 2020.

Social committee: Considered issue of storing our 3 signboards in storage unit (facility south of Reebok); Shelley Schalip volunteered to prepare signs to publicize a “Holiday Lights Contest” for December: Judging occurs on Dec. 20 by the board; first prize will be “free HOA fees” (\$25 value) waiver for 2020, possible Kroger \$10 gift cards for 2nd and 3rd prizes.

Also discussed planned 2020 programs from police officer on safety, and SWACO recycling (planned for March), that can be announced in the January Coventry newsletter.

Other discussion topics:

- Uneven sidewalks due to city-planted trees – each affected address should call city to report.
- Note that city-planted trees (between sidewalk and street) are NOT to be trimmed or cut down by residents; we must call the city to report problems.
- How/whether deed restrictions are being enforced: A long-standing concern from original HOA charter was that we “need teeth” to enforce – not stipulated for us. Evan observed that the board has received questions/requests from residents and has responded to them.
- HOA annual fees – cannot be raised per HOA rules; however, “special assessments” can be made based on actual anticipated/planned expenses; general feeling among us that \$25 is low and perhaps inadequate for possible future needs.
- Updated HOA guidelines: it was noted that 2/3rds of homeowners will be needed to approve.
- Liability insurance: We (board/HOA) does not have currently; Brandan has a quote of \$340/year; general agreement that it would be advisable for us to have it.
- Neighborhood directory: It would be desirable to compile one, of residents willing to share their contact information. Shelley has gathered some information; Shaman and David agreed to help.

Adjourned 4:50 p.m. Next board meeting: Monday, Dec. 2, 7 p.m. Donato's. Minutes compiled by David Connolly