



STEEPLE RUN HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES January 31, 2009

The 2009 SRHA Annual Meeting was called to order at 10:04 a.m. by President Herb LeBlanc.

Present: Irene Cygan, Therese Graff, Tim Graff, Jill Kadish, Steve Kadish, Chris Kempa, Linda LeBlanc, Herb LeBlanc, Karen Malcolm, David Natrass, Joe O'Malley, Jill Peterson, Ron Rodewald, and Ron Rowe (and 13 proxies).

Herb started the slide presentation with the agenda, introduction of board and committee members and highlighting accomplishments in 2008. This slide show is available at the www.steeplerun.org website; the information contained there will not be repeated in these minutes.

In 2009, our entrance signs will need painting/staining. If any residents know of a contractor who would do this, we are in need of estimates. Ideally, we would like to have volunteers perform the task.

The Preferred Contractor RadoVent demonstration was observed by 35 and some residents signed up for the abatement program. 12 residents benefited from the Arrow Septic offer. It is unknown how many residents enrolled in the softener salt deliver program offered by our fellow members, the Gazdziks, but Steve Kadish offered that he was very pleased with their delivery and cost. Some bad reports concerning Scotts were received. Herb had received a complaint about MDC and he called the company to correct the behavior.

If someone in Steeple Run has a business that can be offered to SRHA through the Preferred Contractor Program which is announced quarterly in the Steeple Run News, please contact Herb.

An additional comment was made about the bunco groups. The Thursday group has disbanded and the Wednesday bunco game has morphed into an occasional Girls' Night Out at that group's request.

Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer's Report was given by Joe O'Malley. The SRHA has been fiscally responsible in the first 6 months of the fiscal year and have stayed within our income. If expenses for the second half of the fiscal year hold true to the estimates, we will finish the year with a positive

cash flow of \$857, which balances out last year's negative cash flow of about \$800. Dues will be \$85 for the next fiscal year which starts June 1, 2009. A \$75 memorial was given from the SRHA to Hospice of NE Illinois in accordance to the wishes of Rick Cygan's family.

Elections:

Therese Graff, Herb LeBlanc, Karen Malcolm, and Joe O'Malley were elected to the SRHA board of directors; their terms expire at the Annual Meeting in January 2011. They join current board members Chip Johnson, Dave Nattrass, Jill Peterson and Ron Rowe whose terms expire in January 2010. A motion was made to approve the candidates by Therese and seconded by Irene. The motion passed unanimously.

Linda LeBlanc volunteered for the Social Committee. Joe O'Malley will join the Landscaping Committee. We will have to determine which existing members wish to continue on their respective committees.

New Business:

The possibility of neighborhood-wide mosquito control was explored. All present were in favor of the board gathering more information and estimates, stressing that health and safety also need to be confirmed. This would likely require 100% participation and resident notification of scheduled spraying.

The marauding coyotes are becoming bolder. Tuesday night, the Penny's beagle was attacked by 3 coyotes very close to the deck in their well-lit yard. The Fox family had to dispose of a deer carcass that coyotes had brought down in their yard. We've heard the howling; our pets have been stalked. There have been sightings of packs of 3 and up to 10 coyotes passing through our neighborhood, both at night and in the daylight. Our options for deterring them are limited and were discussed and need to be investigated further.

Neighborhood spraying for Japanese beetles was also discussed and the board will try to get some estimates. As they fly, it is more effective to treat them when they are in their grub form under our turf. It was stressed that homeowners should not use lures, as they attract more beetles to the neighborhood than we would otherwise have.

Next meeting:

The next board meeting will be held immediately following this Annual Meeting to elect officers.

Herb LeBlanc made the motion and Steve Kadish seconded it. The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jill Peterson
Acting Secretary, SRHA