

The Colony Neighborhood Association

Annual Meeting

May 2, 2017

Agenda

- Welcome and board introduction
- Secretary's Report - Rekha Palli review of last meetings minutes
- Guest Speaker - Dave Sevigny, Saint Raphael Episcopal Church
- Treasurer's Report - Jerry Weisenfluh
- Hospitality Committee Report - Jennifer Rice
- Landscape Committee - Jane Madden
- Communications Report - Kim Bragg
- President's Report - Sherri Weisenfluh
- Board Election
- Adjournment

Colony Neighborhood
Association

Board Meeting

Minutes

February 7, 2017

Present: Sherri and Jerry Weisenfluh, Kim Bragg, Jane Madden, Jennifer Rice, Rekha Palli

Absent: Carin Lovell

Guest: Mike Hart

1. Sherri Weisenfluh made a motion for Mike Hart to pursue estimates for solar power for the colony street lighting solution. Jerry Weisenfluh approved and seconded by Jane Madden. HOA own the lights and they are hooked to KU. Currently we have two lights that aren't working. The Colony has old wiring which would have to be brought up to the code, which would cost a great deal. KU contracts with Elite and Willhart for repairs and they are the only companies that can fix the wiring problem. It will cost \$1200 - \$2000 per light. It might be possible to write a Grant for solar if the estimate is feasible.
2. Secretary report Minutes from November-approved by Jennifer Rice and seconded by Jane Madden.
3. Treasurers report-Jerry Weisenfluh- dues have been received from 47 residents. Including last year's surplus, total income is \$7,391. The Board wrote a Neighborhood Action Matching Grant to cover the cost of pruning the trees on the islands. This has been completed and the report shows that \$1000 has been paid to Town Branch Tree Experts with 500. Covered by the grant.
4. Hospitality report- Jennifer Rice- Even though it was cold 20 neighbors came for the annual Tree lighting ceremony. Jerry Morris volunteered to be Santa Claus for the third year. Kids loved sitting on Santa's lap. Picnic was a success, about 48-50 in adults, and ten children in attendance. May 2nd from 6-8pm at St. Raphael Episcopal Church is tentatively set for upcoming Annual meeting. Jennifer has welcomed several new neighbors.
5. Landscaping report Jane Madden- City has placed Mulch on trees on islands and Jane spread mulch around as it is needed. Bulbs were planted at the front entrance and on some of the islands for spring color.
6. Communications-Kim Bragg- Kim will post Treasures report but the report should be placed under the Neighbors tab and it will only be accessible with the pass word.

7. Presidents Report-Sherri Weisenfluh
8. A request for pricing was sent out to three contractors. The water Quality Grant is moving forward once all three proposals have been received the landscaping committee will select contractor.
9. Peggy Henson has sent a proposal to the Urban County Council declaring a Moratorium on construction of gas station/mini mart on Versailles Road. Our neighborhood has joined in support of the Moratorium and a letter was sent to council members.

On the Table a new initiative by The Bluegrass Community Foundation and the Comprehensive Plan are opportunities to give input on the future of Lexington. The Comprehensive Plan is updated every 5 years and deals primarily with land use. Sherri signed up to host an On The Table discussion which will be held on March 15th 2017, 6pm to 7pm at Sherri's house.

The next Board Meeting will be March 15, 2017 directly after On the Table.

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March 15, 2017

Board Minutes

Present: Sherri Weisenfluh, Kim Bragg, Jerry Weisenfluh, Jane Madden, Rekha Polli, Jennifer Rice

Absent: Carin Lovell

Jane Madden Approved minutes from February Meeting, seconded by Jennifer

No treasurer's report as no funds expended. Report will be provided for Annual Meeting

Discussed preparations for annual meeting. Jennifer will order pizza, and bring drinks.

Sherri Weisenfluh asked for reports from, Jane for landscaping, Kim communications, Jennifer Hospitality, Rekha will provided minutes from 2016 annual meeting, Jerry will provide overview of treasurer's expenditures. Sherri will do presidents report. Need to have content for power point by the last of April.

Draft of PowerPoint will be sent out to board members.

Sherri discussed slate of Board members, Jennifer Rice will come off of Board. New members will need to be recruited.

Board adjourned at 8:00 PM Next meeting will be Annual Meeting on May 2, 2017.

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Minutes

June 27th 2017

Present: Sherri Weisenfluh, Jerry Weisenfluh, Rekha Palli, Kim Bragg, Jane Madden, Lori Whitlatch

Absent: Kevin Davis

Minutes from March meeting were approved, Lori Whitlatch moved to approved and Kim Bragg seconded

2017-18 fiscal year for the Colony Neighborhood Association began June 1,

New board/ members were introduced.

President: Sherri Weisenfluh

Vice-President: Kevin Davis (new member)

Treasurer: Jerry Weisenfluh

Secretary: Rekha Palli

Hospitality: Lori Whitlatch (new member)

Landscaping: Jane Madden

Communications: Kim Bragg

Treasures report: Can be found under Admin tab at www.The-colony.info

Budget for 2017- 2018 was presented by Treasurer, Jerry Weisenfluh. Proposed budget for coming year is \$6,910. So far 21 residents paid their contributions.

Landscaping:

New watering tank which holds 20 gallons was bought. Invasive plant needs to be pulled and more bulbs for Islands need to be bought. Rodney is doing the weeding.

Presidents report:

Perry fixed the light that is in neighbor's yard.

We need to fix one more light.

We will look into repainting the poles.

The Annual Picnic is being hosted by Thom Smith and Rodney Day at 1269 Standish way.

New business:

Signage for slowing drivers: Kevin and Darleen will put sign in their yard.

Water Quality grant-we sought an extension and it has been granted by the city through December 31.
In process of removing honeysuckle.

2016 Kentucky River Grant has been completed and final report has been submitted.

Second Request for Dues letter is being distributed.

Meetings will be scheduled on first Tuesday of every other month. Next meeting will be on August 8th at Sherri and Jerry Weisenfluh's house. Following meetings will be in October, November, February and April.

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Board Meeting

Minutes

August 8, 2017

1. Minutes from June 27 meeting submitted by Rekha Palli for approval- Jerry Weisenfluh moved to approve the minutes and Lori Whitlatch seconded the motion.
2. Treasurers Report submitted by Jerry Weisenfluh for approval- unanimous approval by board to accept the report. 31 houses have paid but we are about \$2,500 short of our goal. We have paid all administrative costs for the year. Facilities is under budget. We will plant a few bulbs this fall and will have weeding and fall clean up. Chair of Hospitality committee will submit receipts as the picnic progresses. Grant funds for NDF and KRA have been expended. We are still spending for the 2016 Water Quality grant but will be finished by December of this year.
3. Hospitality report-Lori Whitlatch reports that the Picnic will be at Thom and Rodney's home on September 10. Invitations have been delivered, committee is working on details of event. Menu of fried chicken is planned, neighbors to bring side dishes. Given the configuration of the yard we are getting estimates for round tables. We will use our chairs and the chairs Thom and Rodney have. Serving boxed wine, tea and nonalcoholic drinks will have games for kids, possibly music.
4. Communication report-Kim Bragg- Working on summer newsletter for web site- Meet your Neighbors article completed with Gard's and picture, Presidents letter completed. Kevin has offered to provide content for newsletter on travels, recipes, other ideas requested. Sherri will do an article on the water quality grant progress.
5. Landscaping report Jane Madden-we are receiving compliments on the islands, Rodney has been mulching the islands and pulling weeds. The front entrance has been finished. Jane is considering hosting a plant sale next year.
6. Presidents report-Old Business

Will set up a meeting with Perry to discuss plan for getting second light fixed
Lighting poles were all inspected and show signs of flaking paint, rusting and dulled paint.
Recommend we get three estimates for repainting.

Darlene has submitted draft of signage for slowing drivers in the colony-need to get prices. Jerry will explore if we can request a speed sign set up again this year.

Water Quality Grant-we are in second phase of this project, assessing where plants, trees etc. should be placed. Invasive plants have been removed and chipped.

New Business

Donation of native plants from Shooting Star Nurseries, Neighborhood Association will be eligible for plants as we have a stream restoration project.

New Versailles road exit has left little vegetation as a buffer in the New Colony. The city is offering grants that the New Colony would be eligible for. Michael Harrison has been notified.

NEXT MEETING IS OCTOBER 10, 6:30 PM AT THE WEISENFLUH'S. We will not meet in December.

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October 10, 2017

Present: Sherri and Jerry Weisenfluh, Rekha Palli, Lori Whitlatch, Jane Madden

Absent: Kim Bragg and Kevin Davis

Minutes from August 8th meeting submitted for approval- Lori Whitlatch moved to approve the minutes and Jerry Weisenfluh seconded the motion.

Treasurer's report submitted by Jerry Weisenfluh for Approval. - Jane Madden moved to approve and Sherri Weisenfluh seconded the motion. Third reminder to pay neighborhood association contribution will go out. Most years 50 households contribute, but this year only 40 contributed.

Hospitality report Lori Whitlatch:

51 people attended the picnic and had good reviews from the neighbors. For next year we may get less canned soda; maybe we should get 2 liter bottles. Bourbon punch was a hit. Tree lighting will be on December 3rd from 4 to 6pm. We have things from last year for lighting and kids' goody bags. Sherri to contact Debbie to borrow Santa Claus costume. If not rent it? Have to contact Jerry to be Santa again this year. Sherri will serve as chair of hospitality for event as Lori is out of town. Suggest we have Annual meeting in Beaumont library on May 1st or May 8th 2018. Lori will contact library.

Communications report Kim Bragg:

Kim absent. Sherri reports summer newsletter is published and on the website. Picnic details will be updated in the next newsletter. We will let business advertise on our site for a price. For six months, \$50 for non-residents and \$25 for residents. The six months will run from January-June or July-December. Jerry moved to approve and Jane Madden seconded and unanimously approved by the board.

Landscaping report-Jane Madden

Planting is done except for the bulbs. Got lot of complements about landscaping. We may need bench at the split islands.

Presidents Report-Sherri Weisenfluh

Lighting update-All lights are working, George Birk facilitated the remaining light repair. One of His tenants retired from KY Utilities and was able to determine we needed a replaced light sensor and fuse. It still is not clear where the underground line runs for this light.

Painting of light poles update-hired maciel, referred by Kim Bragg, Estimate was 240 per pole includes cleaning, sanding rust spots, priming and two coats of paint, has proof of insurance and will have signed contract. The paint should last for 10 years. Attempted to get three estimates but several turned down the job or did not return phone calls.

As per Best Practice workshop on Neighborhood Associations suggested creating a nominating committee. Suggestion would be one person from the committee and two from the neighbors.

On Versailles Road from Parkers mill to Mason Headley, Urban County Government is going to expand the side walk with some green space and barriers so people won't cross in the middle of the street. Public safety is the overall goal of this project. Sherri and Jerry Weisenfluh and Darlene and Perry Bozarth attended a presentation of the project. Peggy Henson was also present to answer questions. Work is planned to start in March 2018 and go on for three months. The city plans to close one lane of traffic, keeping three lanes open during the project. The second phase of this project will include area from Mason Headley up to the bridge.

Urban County Government Water Quality grant ends on December 31, 2017. Funds have been spent and a final report will be sent 30 days after the end of the project. A planting event will be planned end of October-start of November. The Neighborhood Association will then be reimbursed for funds spent on this project.

Two, safety signs were purchased and we have been moving them from island to island since purchased. The Board decided to try using signs that could be moved to see impact versus a permanent sign.

Magnets/business card with website info have been distributed in mailboxes and later at the picnic and four residents paid after these were distributed to households.

Fayette County Neighborhood Alliance-Colony Neighborhood Association was a member in the past. Just rejoined and attended a meeting on Comprehensive Plan update.

Next meeting is on November 14th, 2017 at 6:30. Kevin Davis to host the meeting to be held at his home, 1249 Colonial Drive

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Board Meeting

Minutes

November 14, 2017

Present: Jerry Weisenfluh, Rekha Palli, Lori Whitlatch, Jane Madden, Kim Bragg, Kevin Davis

Absent: Sherri Weisenfluh

Minutes from October 10th meeting submitted for approval: Lori Whitlatch moved to approve the minutes and Jerry Weisenfluh seconded the motion.

Treasurer's report: No treasurer's report was given because no significant income or expenses had occurred since the October meeting. A full report will be presented at the January 2018 meeting.

Hospitality report: Lori Whitlatch:

Details of planning for the December 3rd tree lighting event were discussed by Jerry Weisenfluh. Board members will provide snacks and will meet at 3pm to set up tables and get tree lights prepared. It was agreed that we would have a fire pit and Kevin Davis would supervise safety. Jerry Morse may not be able to make the event, so an alternative Santa will be sought. The Santa suit will be provided by former Colony resident Debby Moody.

Communications report: Kim Bragg:

We discussed ways to improve communication to residents using website applications. Facebook "like" feature one possibility, and Kim suggested investigating a Wix application called "Follow" the website, which would support sending email notifications when new content has been added. Jerry Weisenfluh has agreed to take over responsibility of updating the website. Use of advertising was discussion as a means of generating some income to offset the cost of the website fees. This was agreed to in a previous meeting and one resident has asked to place an ad. A prototype ad page will be designed at the beginning of 2018.

Landscaping report: Jane Madden

Planting of bulbs was completed this month and this completes the landscaping additions for 2017. There may be a few new plants installed in spring 2018, but most of the remaining budget will be used for regular maintenance.

Presidents Report: Sherri Weisenfluh

Sherri was absent, Jerry Weisenfluh gave presidents report

Michael Prather was contacted and is interested in placing an ad for one year. Rekha Palli also wants to place an ad.

The Nomination Committee will meet with the full Board in January. Sherri will be liaison with the committee and the Board. At January meeting board will discuss which positions will be open and who wants to remain on the Board.

Next meeting is on January 8th, 2018 at 6:30. The meeting will be at the Weisenfluh's house at 1225 Colonial Dr.