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ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL CHANGES. Most exterior changes to your home require Architectural Review approval. Please submit your requests (form available on PV website) 30 days prior to your project date to our Property Manager, Janet at PML for processing.

EVENT COMMITTEE: To volunteer to organize a neighborhood event, contact Susan Porter, skporter2010@gmail.com

THE CARING COOKS provide meals to PV residents who need help due to surgery, illness, or death in family. If you know of a need, please contact one of the following: Carol Erickson, 303-776-0864; Carol Hahn, 303-702-0704

CITY CODE ENFORCEMENT: 303-651-8695 or 303-651-8321: To report City Code violations such as weeds, trees, illegal parked vehicles, speeding or any other City Ordinance

NEIGHBORHOOD CONCERNS: Residents with neighborhood concerns should contact our Property Manager, Janet at PML 303-772-5891 or email janetpaul@pmlinc.net

PRAIRIE VILLAGE ANNUAL MEETING NOTES 11/9/2017

The following is a brief synopsis of the Annual meeting. The minutes will be posted on our website at a later date. Thanks to everyone who attended and participated in the meeting.

Quorum was met thanks to those attending the meeting and to the proxies that were turned in.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: If you would like to join a committee, please contact Janet, PML to submit your interest.

Architectural Review: Justin Stoeber reported that maintenance work, repainting using the same color scheme does not require approval. You must get approval if you are changing the exterior color or making major structure/landscape changes.

Social Committee: Susan Porter thanked all the volunteers who helped with events and said she also had great Vendors to work with. She is in need of volunteers to work on the committee and to suggest events for the coming year. Contact her at skporter2010@gmail.com to volunteer.

Welcoming Committee: Fred LaCount reported that 8–9 baskets were distributed to new residents.

Caring Cooks: Carol Hahn reported that meals were provided throughout the year to families who were in need due to illness or death in the family.

Communications: Carol Hahn reported that since we took control of the HOA in 2011, there have been 67 newsletters published. Seven newsletters were sent out this year plus numerous emails.

NGLA: Drew Kramer reported that we did not get approved for the 2017 Grant. Only 13 out of 63 applications were accepted. We have applied for the 2018 Grant money submitting for playground equipment for Central Park. If approved, we will receive \$6,000 to put towards this equipment. He also recommended that Jim Hahn and Howard Ragin be retained as our representatives to NGLA.

Central Park Development Committee: Fred LaCount presented a 5-year plan. He stated he took a survey at the annual picnic which 25 (out of 204) residents participated, showing an interest in the development plan. A lengthy discussion continued. Some of the questions that were asked by residents are:

Question: Should all homeowners get a copy of the proposal? Answer: No, it's a Board decision

Question: Liability, will this become public? Answer: NGLA is unclear on just what 'public' encompasses. Our insurance rates will increase somewhat.

Some of the many comments by homeowners: Proposal needs to be approved by homeowners; What is future cost of maintenance and replacement; Development of the park could help in future sales of our homes and increase property value; Why do we need a duplicate of the amenities that are already available 3 blocks away at Rough & Ready.

More of the discussion will be included in the full minutes on the Website. I have included a copy of the 5-year plan with this newsletter.

NEW BUSINESS:

Amendment to Bylaws: Increase the Board of Directors to 5 was approved.

Community Vote to Approve the Amended & Reinstated Articles of Incorporation: Approved. It will be at least 2019 until our Legal Counsel has the revisions to the Bylaws completed.

Reserve Study was presented. A full copy is available on the Website.

2018 Budget was reviewed. Dues will remain the same.

NGLA: Drew Kramer; Residents voted to continue our membership in NGLA with Drew, Jim & Howard as our representatives. More discussion on the 2018 Grant. The Board will send out a survey on the playground. Drew stated that the deadline to make any changes to the grant need to be done by January 3, 2018.

EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION: Bob Danos

Since the approval of the Windy Gap Project, our water rates will increase in 2018 by 10% and in 2019 by 14%. This includes all residential as well as our HOA.

The sun setting of the Community Association Management License (CAM) is scheduled to happen in October of 2018. Unless our State representatives continue with this program I am afraid that there will be future misuse of HOA funds by Managers that are not properly educated and supervised. I would highly encourage everyone to contact their State House of Representatives and their State Senators to continue this program. In our area: Representatives are Mike Foote mike.foote.house@state.co.us, Jonathan Singer jonathan.singer.house@state.co.us & State Senator Stephen Fenberg stephen.fenberg.senate@state.co.us.

Questions to Bob:

What is happening with the alfalfa field? Nothing. The owners have not decided how to develop it.

What is happening with the commercial land? Nothing. DR Horton owns it but they do not do commercial development; therefore, it is for sale.

Why did Pleasant Valley put up a 'For Residents Use Only' sign in their playground area? They were having problems with people from outside the neighborhood spending the night, drinking, etc. The police patrolled it and a sign was added. They haven't had problems since.

Will Prairie Village South HOA be merging with ours? There are 218 homes. DR Horton will remain in control of their HOA for 1 year after completion of the last home. It is scheduled to be completed this coming January. After that – TBD.

ELECTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

And the winners are:

Pearl Pinkham – 3 years

Aaron Buckner – 3 years

Justin Stoeber – 2 years

Their positions and contact information is located at the top of the newsletter.

NEXT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Tuesday, January 16, 2018 at 6:30 pm at the PML office at 1155 South Main St.

I will send out the agenda and it will be posted on the website after the Board has approved it.

UPCOMING SOCIAL EVENTS



Progressive Holiday Party: See the attached flyer for details. If you plan to attend, please RSVP by November 24 to Carol Hahn, 303-638-1989, for further information and so the hosting homes will have a count for attendance.

Mission

The mission of the Central Park ad hoc committee is to propose a 5 year family recreational plan that has reasonable costs and meets the need of the association members.

OBSERVATIONS

At last years annual association meeting, enhancing Central Park was suggested. Further, there were five recreation projects that were recommended by a survey conducted at the PVOA annual picnic. The results were tabulated and are listed in the proposal. Note: The child play area received the highest number of votes and the soccer/football field received the fewest number votes.

Considerations

Several factors were considered when planning the family recreation center for the association.

NGLA grant: if we apply for one of the five proposed projects and are approved, the amount awarded for fy 2018 will be six thousand dollars. (\$6000)

Capital improvements: six percent of the total budget may be allocated to a single project like a volleyball court. At current budget projections, six percent (of total budget) is approximately \$13,700 and can be used for more than one capital improvement. Either amount can be authorized by the Board of Directors.

Proposed projects for the family recreation center

2018

Children's Play Area: Phase 14 swing set, tea cup spinner, playground 36' by 51', expandable playground using 4' long faux stone border timers (contain the wood fiber surfacing. 8" high. Swing mats and geotextile fabric layer included. Includes freight and assembly.

Estimated cost: \$13,000

2019

Children's Play Area: Phase 2 \$13,000

Or

Volleyball Court, sand based, estimated cost \$11,000

Or

Volleyball Court, grass field, estimated cost \$ 3,000

2020

Basketball court: Initial court would be half court, or about 42' by 50', est. cost \$11,500
(If grant money applied for and received, a full court estimated cost: \$18 – 20K

2021

Horseshoe pit, commercial grade, estimated cost \$ 3,600

Soccer/football area, estimated cost \$ 4,620

2022

Children's play area: Phase 3, estimated cost \$12,000

Or

Or

Volleyball Court, sand based, estimated cost \$11,000

Note: projections based on FY 2017 prices

Association member costs limited to less than \$8 monthly.

Grant monies from NGLA may further reduce estimated association costs