



General Membership Meeting
Region 14 Building Abilene, TX April 22, 2014

Board Members in Attendance: Richard Cordero, President; Ed Brokaw, Vice President; Joey Roberts, Secretary; Kerry Amezcua; Amanda Darby; and Wilson Medina.

Attendance: 22, including board members and Gayla Fullerton (accountant)

Called to Order: Richard Cordero called meeting to order.

Introduction of 2014 Board Members: Mentioned need for a treasurer and more board members.

Drawing for Free Quarterly Dues: Larry Howell (2134 Bunker Hill). Rules permit free dues for up to three lots if winner owns multiple lots.

Minutes from January 2014 read. Questions from membership answered. Motion was made to accept report, MRSA.

Financial Report: Presented by Gayla Fullerton. Questions from membership were answered. Motion was made to accept report, MRSA.

New Business:

- *Easter Eggstravaganza* – We were very pleased with the attendance. There were about 30 kids who came. (Presented by Amanda and Kerry)

- *Other HPHA Activities:*

- Fourth of July with parade and cookout. If anyone wants to help with this, please let the board know.
- We want to have events every couple of months. The activities do not have to always be centered around kids' activities. Ideas: Chili Cookoff, Holiday Gatherings, Yard of the Month with gift certificate for winner, End of School, Back to School, something dog friendly, adult friendly, etc.
- Activities presented by Amanda and Kerry

- *Demand Letters* – We sent almost 40 demand letters who had money in the arrears. We have received a few back for bad addresses, but we have also received about 30 back with payment. Some of the responses to the letters were read from those who were asked to adhere to the Deed Restrictions and those with dollars in the arrears. Questions from membership were answered.
- *Bank Draft* – We want everyone to be on bank draft. We are trying to convert as many people, if not all, to pay dues. We are going to start charging \$3 processing fee for all checks (not yearly dues). Around 100 are on draft.
- *30-Day Reminders* – First letter to remind you to adhere to deed restrictions. The next letter will give you a second 30-day reminder (total of 60 days). After that, demand letters will be sent.
- *2014 Budget* – The 2014 budget was presented by the board of directors. The 2013 budget was estimating \$3,585 of net surplus, and the actual net surplus was \$5,300. The 2013 budget was set at \$62,415. The actual money spent in 2013 was \$62,422. The 2014 budget presented is \$50,765 with a proposed net surplus of \$10,269. Motion made to accept budget, MRSA. Budget will be posted on the HPHA website.
- *Beautification Projects* –
 - May 2-4 will be the Heritage Parks Trash Off. Bring all trash (anything and everything except tires, batteries, paint, electronics and refrigerators). Membership questions answered. One member asked about a recycling bin, and Richard was going to check on that.
 - Flower beds on the East Lake Road will be replanted. The grassy areas will be reseeded as well.
 - We contracted with God's Care for the 2014-15 season for mowing/landscaping maintenance. God's Care will be offering homeowners a discount at some point for plants. We will let the ownership know.
- *Creation of list of services* – Members asked about people in the association who are able to help with services. The mention of our own list of members who can provide services be placed on the website and possibly in newsletters. The board will look into the list.
- *East Lake Road Leak* – Trying to find out where the meter is to cut off the water to fix the leak. We hope the leak will be fixed soon.
- *Patches in the roads in the complex* – The city will be responsible for the repairs of the roads.
- *Grapevine Farms* – Located on West Lake Road (southside). Nonprofit that grows organic foods. Volunteer and pic your own vegetables, gather own eggs, pluck your own chicken. From their "farm to your table and you know where your food comes from." From time-to-time the farm has community gatherings. The farm promotes organic food because poverty is linked to obesity.

- *Security* – Member who lives on Boston talked about security cameras at the entrances. He asked about providing cameras. The board will be meeting with anyone interested in helping with this possibility.
- *Solicitors* – Solicitors are protected by the freedom of speech. We cannot deny people to make a living as a salesman. However, they must respect your privacy if you have a “No Solicitor” sign on your door or window.
- *Basketball Goals* – Member requested board to ask people to either move basketball goals out of street or place reflective tape on the pole. Board will discuss.

Motion to adjourn meeting made, MRSA.