

Balcones Village/Spicewood HOA
Board Meeting Minutes – May 16, 2021
2:00 PM Virtual Meeting on Zoom

Present: Board members Anne Anderson, Austin Ross, Cathy Brocato, Caleb McLain, Don Gutierrez, Jacque Forrest, Nancy Shindler.

Absent: Alex Kastelic, Gary Wang.

Called to Order at 2:00 pm.

Motions approved by email between meetings: None.

Minutes: Minutes of the April meeting were approved by email and are posted on BVSHOA.COM.

Treasurer's Report: No treasurer's report.

Officer and Committee Reports.

- Membership – Don.
 - There are 561 members for 2021.
 - Seven homes sold in April.
 - Don is keeping the most current list of homeowners on drive.google.com with access provided for board members.
- ACC – Jacque.
 - Six projects approved.
 - Low deck on Clearrock.
 - Pool on Fairway Hill.
 - Front facade remodel on Loring.
 - Outdoor Kitchen on Pencewood.
 - 2nd Floor Addition on Pencewood.
 - Master Suite Addition on Spring Hollow.
 - Numerous queries were addressed.
 - Several complaint follow-ups in progress including several out-buildings and fences.
 - Disapprovals.
 - A fence project was disapproved because it extends forward of the front building line.
 - A covered patio was disapproved because it violated setback requirements.
 - ACC is waiting for plans for 6 projects. Construction activity in the neighborhood remains high.

Old Business.

- Christmas trees.
 - Vendor still is not accepting orders. They will notify Cathy when they open their online ordering platform.
 - They will have only Douglas and Balsam Fir trees available.
 - Price will be a few dollars more than last year. We will need to adjust our sale price accordingly.
- The membership committee.
 - The block captains will be a core part of the member recruitment and retention effort. They will provide two-way communication between the Board and residents and actively recruit members.

- Caleb will call the 27 block captains currently listed to confirm their ongoing interest, discuss new expectations, and get suggestions on neighborhood outreach. He will explore having a get-together for block captains.
- Safety is a primary concern in the neighborhood. To that end, Anne moved that the Board approve establishing a safety committee consisting of 3-5 people. One of the committee members (but not the chair) will be a Board member. Jacque seconded the motion, which passed.
- Safety concerns will be used to help drive member recruitment. The more members, the more money available to fund constable patrols.
- There will be a block party on Plumewood on May 21 with more than 80 people expected to attend. There will be a member recruitment table and a map showing the location of block captains. Caleb and Don will attend the party to support recruitment efforts.
- Caleb will coordinate with the other committee members to set the next meeting.
- Recruitment of a Special Events Chair is pending.
- The July 4th Parade.
 - This will be a member recruitment event as well as a community celebration.
 - Cathy has identified a possible chair and has put her in touch with Sue Schupbach, keeper of instructions and beads.
 - Pat Zigrossi has volunteered to provide popsicles again this year.
 - Other possible fun ideas include a raffle and/or door prizes, which may be used to collect contact information.
 - It is important to highlight that the parade is sponsored by the HOA for the benefit of the entire neighborhood.
- The new Google membership form created by Jacque now is live on BVSHOA.com.
 - It can be modified as needed. Its use may be expanded for membership renewals in the fall.
 - We also can include a list of volunteer opportunities on the form.
 - We need to evaluate the processes for following up on information and expressions of interest gathered on the form.

New Business.

- Board meetings will continue on Zoom but will be moved to the second Thursday of each month at 7:30.

The next meeting will be Thursday, June 10 at 7:30 pm on Zoom.

Adjourned at 3:00 pm.

Executive session convened at 3:00 pm and adjourned at 3:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Shindler, Secretary