

Memorial Bend Civic Association, INC.
Meeting Minutes – Monthly Board Meeting
January 21, 2020

Board Attendees: Ken Hurr, Erica Agostini, Erika Sorsby, Van Durborow, Jennifer Richman, Chrissy Sylvester, Robin Minuet, Susie White, Justin Comeaux, and Griffin Vance

General Members Attending: Eddie Papin, Marie Dupres, Nicole Ozment, Tempest Pena, Madison and Faisal Tai

New Security Officer was present: Constable Victor Hernandez

Meeting was brought to order at 6:59pm

Homeowner Report: Mr. Tai reported that the main reason he is here today is to share his new home building experience. Mr. and Mrs. Tai closed on the property on May 20. On May 31 he submitted building request to Kathryn Ament at AVR and missed the June ARC meeting deadline. The plan was reviewed in July and some back and forth commenced. It took until October 9th to get approved plans from ARC. He feels the tree plan requirement is vague and that he could not move forward with demolishing the existing home until his tree plan was approved.

Griffin stated that they provided a contingency to remove the home. And Mr. Tai received the approved demo plan July 9th. Griffin states that the homeowner removed trees anyway.

Other item is that the project is over the impervious coverage limit. The ARC asked the homeowner to correct the beam that was poured. The beam will be removed within a month or two. A pool project has been submitted to the ARC for review.

The board will be looking for solutions in 2020 to help streamline the ARC process.

Meeting Minutes: Minutes were sent to board members via email for review. Robin noticed a spelling correction. Erika Sorsby motioned to approve the amended minutes. They were approved.

Presidents Report:

Robin inquired about moving the monument from the Memorial Bend Club property. Erika confirmed that we would not have to move the monument. The southernmost monument off Faust Lane needs to be replaced. The new board will need to obtain a new quote. A discussion commenced about making one of the new monuments a tribute to former MBCA President, Ron Bitto.

Minutes from the 2019 MBCA annual meeting will be read by Jennifer at the meeting.

Annual financial review went well.

Ken will provide an Agenda for the Annual Meeting.

Erika reported that the ballot is with the attorney to be approved. Signs will be distributed next week and reminder emails will be sent out.

Please note that the 12910 Traviata property has been fenced.

Communication Update: nothing to report

Security Update: Johnny Valencia was promoted and so we have a new constable, Victor Hernandez.

Treasurers Report: Nothing to report for this month. Justin plans to have two reports for the residents at the annual meeting. Robin mentioned that the 5% increase may not be allowed without approval of the membership. Griffin and Robin suggested that we have an opinion obtained by council.

ARC Report: A few major remodels were completed and they received a few new construction requests. Griffin engaged with the outside architect for future large construction projects. We would like to invite her to a future board meeting to present to us. Griffin will invite her. This way we can learn about how she can help us streamline the ARC process.

Other Items:

Robin and her husband cleaned up beltway frontage road and replaced the batteries in the dummy camera by the Bird Sanctuary.

Flooding study will be posted to the website. Harris County has taken the responsibility of open water ways. Rummel Creek falls now under that jurisdiction.

Regarding the increase, Justin reported that he believes we met the requirement for voting the increase of 5% because the agenda was posted to the website before the October meeting when it was discussed.

The General Session was concluded at: 7:54pm