

Snee Farm Community Foundation
Board of Directors Regular Monthly Meeting
March 2, 2010 – Snee Farm Country Club – 5:30 PM

Minutes

Board Members Present: Paul Meierer, Ted Summerford, Eric Unger, Jackie Walker, Jerry Barnett, Dan Childress, Bob St. Onge, Buddy Goodson, Stephen Curl.

Others Present:

Committee Members: None

Other Foundation Members: 5 Other Properties

A-Plus Property Management: Debbie Rogers

Restrictions Compliance Administrator: Michael Hart

INVITED GUESTS:

MINUTES APPROVAL: *Feb. 2, 2010 Reg. Mo. Meeting – Approved by the Board on/or before March 2, 2010.*

PRESIDENT'S TIME:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Restrictions

M. Hart, Compliance Administrator, reported approx. 47 letters sent and 67 hours spent on this work. Chair Walker apprised the Board of a situation regarding mailbox posts in New Charlestowne (Governors Road & Court, and Plantation Lane) installed many years prior to this Board (with exception of one that did not receive approval*). We can find no record to support the prior discrepancies. She asked Dr. Brooks to assist her and Mike in evaluating the situation in the hopes of determining a solution that would result in accomplishing the approved style where needed without unreasonable expense, etc. to the respective property owners. She asked Dr. Brooks to continue – he first expressed gratitude in being given the opportunity to serve the Foundation over the years, both to the homeowners with their personal mailbox needs, and the Board with the street signs, etc., throughout the Community. He then provided detail on the discrepancies and requested that the Board permit him to replace, at no cost to the homeowners or the Foundation, four individual box/posts with two that would accomplish the shared style as is the case elsewhere in New Charlestowne where possible. Two other approved style individual box/posts would remain due to their location not enabling the shared type. E. Unger suggested the expense for the materials be paid from the budget. ***T. Summerford motioned to accept Dr. Brooks' offer to provide his services at no charge for two new double posts at no cost to the respective homeowners; and the cost of materials be paid from the budget; seconded, motion carried 8-0.*** *The unapproved single post on Plantation would need to be the responsibility of the owner to correct. J. Walker will contact the respective homeowners to explain this plan; Dr. Brooks will then follow-up regarding installation. She thanked Dr. Brooks for his valued assistance and generosity in this effort.

M. Hart advised of a timely opportunity due to knowing the presence of the unlicensed blue motorbike that has been driving recklessly including at high speed - he spoke with the driver of the bike concerning this unlawful practice and the disturbance to residents. After leaving that location, he was able to share this occurrence, including the address the driver was visiting, with a police officer in the Community who confirmed their awareness and involvement with situation. ***Report accepted***

Finance

Treasurer Unger reported: Following some additional set-up steps with technical support to have security as we want it, online access will soon be operational at Wachovia/Wells Fargo. The proposed Budget draft is ready for final review by the Finance Committee as the last step before presenting to the Board for approval. The Bank of S.C. \$100,000. CD, having earned 2.25% for the period, is up for renewal today (1.05%) with a ten-day period to decide – he can find no better quotes; recommends a Money Market at a better rate than the 1.05% that would also keep the funds liquid in the interim of better rates/promotional offers. Debbie Rogers reported: As of end-February, Cash in Bank \$284,440.50; Accounts Receivable \$105,665.49 - payments received in March reduce the figure to \$97,916.70. Following the Assessment deadline, 123 owe for this year alone, 40 for two years, 18 for three, and 17 have small balances (late fees/interest). Legal efforts to collect will now begin – starting with those having a balance due over \$1000. ***Report accepted.***

Maintenance

Chair Barnett reported: 1. Under his supervision, all Hwy. 17 entrance brick road section repairs were successfully completed on Feb. 11 by Mighty Concrete Company as contracted. Late that night, he checked the nailed-down barricades – all were in place; at 6:00 the next AM he returned with the Contractor to remove them

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(Maintenance Report Continued)

and discovered that they had been pulled up and relocated during the night allowing the repaired areas to be run over by vehicles earlier than planned; fortunately, it did not cause any damage to the new brick or concrete. 2. The street lamps on Parkway Dr. and Ambling Way were remaining lit 24/7 – this was called into SCE&G for repair and was completed. 3. He and Diana replaced the street lamp bulbs in Liberty Circle and one in New Charlestowne on Loyalist. 4. With Tom Franzone, over a three week period, tried to locate and repair what was causing the breaker to trip at the Garden Way entrance/exit – after installing a new eye and breaker to no avail, called Electric Supply Co. who previously did work for us at Whipple Rd./Indigo Cut – they also could not locate the problem and felt it was a problem under the road – more than two weeks ago he asked them for an estimate to dig/bore under the road but hasn't received it. Also called Construct South Construction, Inc.– they too had done work for Snee Farm and the telephone company in this area; he is waiting on them to meet with him this week. Nineteen hours were logged for the month saving the Foundation approx. \$1,900. **Report accepted.**

Landscape

J. Walker reported for Chair Teetor: 1. The Ashcrafts completed the Moss Bluff clean-up and continued the pest and weed control project. They are assembling a plant material list for this year's remaining projects and will soon be ordering. 2. Mt. Pleasant Tree Service completed additional tree maintenance. One tree that was damaged by the snow storm had to be removed – there was also damage to a tree in Liberty Circle that Mr. Boles cleaned-up at no cost to us. The recent tree pruning prevented further damage caused by this very wet heavy snow we experienced which typically does not occur when snow is light and powdery. He also re-pruned and fertilized the "lightning tree", once again at no cost to us. **Report accepted.**

Security

Chair Curl reported: Feb. 9, Suspicious Activity was reported on Plantation Lane (5:00 AM – the dog of a woman walking on the Golf Course showed aggression toward a male wearing all black walking behind them – he then fled). Feb 10, Theft of a Wallet/Credit Card Fraud was reported on Daffodil Ln. (Gardens Section). Feb. 22, Burglary on Farm Quarter Road – (owners away, unlocked window, ladder used from adjacent construction site). **Report accepted.**

Plantation Ln. resident, Andy Fort spoke to the Board regarding the break-in to his home reported earlier this year when he was away – a ladder was used at a window that was not secure due to a holiday lighting extension cord being similar to this Feb. 22 break-in. Also, the Feb. 9 Suspicious Activity was very near his home - expressed concern asking if more could be done to prevent crime. The Board reinforced what the MPPD also shared with him regarding Snee Farm being a very safe community in comparison to others; your Board monitors and assists as able as part of a close working relationship with the MPPD, but needs more pro-active effort by residents to Community watch and immediately report all suspicious activity to MPPD, securing doors and windows (incl. vehicles), utilize the services of the MPPD when away, and stage homes to not appear vacant.

Architectural Control

Chair St. Onge Reported: Four submissions in January; Six in February. **Report accepted.**

OTHER REPORTS OR INFORMATION:

The Garden Club Fundraiser Gar. Sale dates have changed to March 19 & 20. In addition to the approved directional signs to the Villas Clubhouse, the entrance signboards will direct to the Web Site for more detail.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS (Board): None

NEW BUSINESS (Board): None

NEW BUSINESS (Foundation Members Comment):

-G. Vizbulis commented on vandalism to several yards (driving onto).

-J. Myers re. satellite dish installation. (ACC Approval is required – ADAR, Page 20 also notes FCC authority)

B. St. Onge motioned to adjourn the meeting; seconded, carried – Adjourned at 6:45 PM

Prepared by Jackie Walker

Approved by the Board of Directors on/or before April 6, 2010.

**Attested To By: Jackie Walker
Secretary**