

Snee Farm Community Foundation
Board of Directors Regular Monthly Meeting
April 5, 2005 - Snee Farm Country Club - 5:30 PM
Minutes

Board Members Present: Jackie Walker, Lawrence Frierson, Margaret Passailaigue, Emilie Carey, Jerry Barnett, Dave Ardis, Phil Siegrist and Jim Craven.

Absent: Evelyn Hutto

Others Present:

Restrictions Compliance Administrator: Mike Hart

Committee Members: Marty Boroughs

Guests: Mike Ashton

Administrative Assistant: Mugsy Kerr

Call To Order:

-President Walker called the April 2005 meeting to order.

-All Standing Announcements were reviewed.

Minutes Approval:

Jerry Barnett Motioned to Approve the March 1, 2005 Minutes; Seconded, Motion Carried 7-0.

Committee Reports:

FINANCE

-Margaret Passailaigue, CPA, Treasurer, presented her report. She advised that, as of March 31, 2005, the debt is satisfied. Having eliminated the related interest payments, she feels our cash flow is sufficient to prevent any further draws needed through September. Also, she is looking into converting some of our available funds into short-term Certificates of Deposit that will earn interest until the funds are needed.

-Her committee will soon begin working on planning and recommendations for future needs, and long-term planning.

-There is still uncertainty as to the exact number of homes in Snee Farm - she is working with various sources to confirm; accuracy is critical for budget purposes. To date, we have collected 772 Assessments. As required by the Declaration, late fees and penalties will be assessed to those delinquent as of April 1st.

-Based on meetings with Mugsy and J. Walker, Margaret confirmed the need and efforts in process to update our Database; she will coordinate with Mugsy and Jackie to ensure the new system and software will serve our needs. The expense of the equipment is Mugsy's; the software and set-up will be paid by the Foundation.

-Copies of the Treasurer's reports are always available to Foundation members by contacting her at 849-7552.

E. Carey Motioned to Accept the Report; Accepted 7-0.

MAINTENANCE

-Chairman Barnett reported that the recently installed light fixtures in New Charlestowne are now fully working; Osborne Electric had to repair a cut line. They also repaired the far right ground light at the front entrance, and replaced the light fixture and control at the Parkway entrance due to the theft. All lighting in the Community is presently repaired and working.

(Maintenance Committee Report Continued)

-The Barnett's repaired and painted the two benches from the Parkway Circle and put them on Plantation Circle; they painted the two signs going into Snee Farm Gardens; all entrances are now uniform in color – black and white. With Ashcraft's help, he planted four Ligustrum needed between Snee Farm and Beaumont due to the storm damage.

-Mr. Barnett advised of the Beaumont HOA Property Manager's (Robert Rogers) delay in reporting additional fence damage until after we thought all storm repairs were done. He is working with the insurance company to incorporate this repair into the claim under the same deductible to not incur additional expense.

-The Barnett's spent approx. 27 hours at an estimated savings of \$2,200 in March. YTD, since September, the new Maintenance Team has put in 125 hours saving Snee Farm approx. \$13,000.

-Dave Ardis worked approx. 12 hours in Snee Farm pruning trees. He advised that the Garden Way Project has begun and hopes it will come in under the amount budgeted.

P. Siegrist Motioned to Accept the Report; Accepted 7-0.

SECURITY

-Chairman Craven advised the Board of high speeding around Liberty Circle between 8-10 PM. J. Barnett shared that speeding is on the increase in Snee Farm. There was discussion about dogs roaming and the danger and nuisance it presents. Also, the Community property off of Casseque Province at the lakes, where teenagers have set fires, was discussed.

L. Frierson Motioned to Accept the Report; Accepted 7-0.

ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL

-In E. Hutto's absence, L. Frierson, Acting Chair, reported the committee had 16 requests last month; 15 cases closed, 15 approvals, and one open issue. The committee is averaging one request every two days. Discussion was held about the yellow ACC permit and its merit to use in most situations, for various reasons, including being able to identify approved projects, and drawing attention of homeowners to needed ACC approval for projects. D. Ardis shared his experience that the Town does not require a permit for projects under \$1,000.

J. Craven Motioned to Accept the Report; Accepted 7-0.

RESTRICTIONS

-Compliance Administrator, M. Hart, provided his written report for March. Violations are predominantly visible storage of garbage receptacles and the usual household litter or bags of waste in front of the house prior to Wed. evening, others are commercial vehicles or trailers parked overnight on property, mailboxes that need to be repaired or replaced, homes in need of repair and boats improperly parked on the property. Eighty-four letters were sent to homeowners in March.

- He advised of approx. \$2,000 collected, at a closing, for assessments and violation fines that accumulated by an owner whose property went into foreclosure and sold. President Walker complimented him on his diligence in working on that to secure the money due.

P. Siegrist Motioned to Accept the Report; Accepted 7-0.

SPECIAL PROJECTS

-L. Frierson advised of a recent waiver request regarding prior rezoning efforts, previously denied by Town Council, to construct a motel on the property across from Snee Farm next to the Charleston Crab House. Lawrence will speak against the waiver request at the next Council meeting.

JW

(Special Projects Committee Report Continued)

-L. Frierson and P. Siegrist reported on a recent Transportation Committee meeting where they heard the Town's summary of the study they funded to look over the shoulder of the Hwy. Dept. on their plans for drainage related to the widening of Hwy. 17 from Hwy. 526 to the IOP Connector. As a result of that study, the Hwy. Dept. has agreed to modify the mitigation aspect of the plan, and the Town believes the impact on our Lakes from that widening alone will be minimal. The Town has looked out for our interest in this particular aspect and, for the short term, we should be OK.

-However, also resulting from that evaluation effort, the consultants did point out, in the long-term, a probable increased impact on our Lakes system to efficiently handle drainage without provision in accordance with the Town's "ten-year storm" policy.

J. Craven Motioned to accept the Report; Accepted 7-0.

Guest - Mike Ashton, Snee Farm Country Club Manager, gave an update on the Clubhouse Project. He shared that, based on their meetings with the Board and its request for complete project information, they are now meeting with various companies and individuals to form the team needed to produce the plans for a presentation to the Foundation members. They are eager to accomplish this but noted that it takes time to assemble a team and fully develop the plans.

Other Reports or Information:

Legal Matters - None

Administrative Assistant – M. Kerr advised that she is working with Margaret and Jackie on the last few assessments that have not been paid for 2004. The three remaining will probably result in being re-billed with late fees and processed through small claims court if necessary.

Unfinished Business (Board Only)

-D. Ardis provided a picture of the two concrete benches for Plantation Circle that we would request agreement from the Garden Club to allocate some of their \$2,500 donation to purchase and install. He estimates \$1,466 for the two benches and \$150 each for installation with some type of base to secure.

New Business – Board New Business - None

New Business – Foundation Members Concerns

-Lois Gattoni-Celli (1165 Chersonese Round) - Shared thoughts concerning the water problems on the road as possible responsibility of DOT since it creates problems for emergency vehicles. She also talked about the importance of regular maintenance care of the Trees in our Common Areas.

J. Craven Motioned to Adjourn, Seconded, Meeting Adjourned at 7:00 PM.

Minutes Approved on May 3, 2005 At the Board of Directors Regular Monthly Meeting.

Attested To By: **Jackie Walker**
President, Secretary