

RIVER OAKS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION
MEETING MINUTES OF March 8, 2016

Call to order

Kevin Bruch, President called to order the meeting of the ROHA at 7:04 pm on Tuesday, March 8, 2016 in the Conference Room at the Ashley River Fire Department .

I. Roll call

The following persons were present: Kevin Bruch, President, Jeff Morey, V. President, Karen Graham, Secretary, Darcia Hicks, Treasurer, Dean Hinson, Michelle Jackson, Betsy Mitchum, Sean Patrum, Rhonda Long and Paul Amarendran, Ernie Kornahrens, Bill Summer, Anna Mitchell and Dennis Shelters .

II. Secretary's Report

February minutes were presented and approved with the following addendum: Sean Patrum made a motion during the February 8, 2016 meeting to recommend raising the lien threshold to \$750.00, the motion was 2nd by Paul Amarendran, the motion was voted on and the motion was agreed upon. A motion was made by Paul Amarendran to approve the February 8, 2016 meeting minutes with the addendum. Anna Mitchel 2nd the motion. February minutes voted on and approved.

III. Treasurer's Report

Some items such as charges for the process of sending out annual dues from BB&T were discussed. The executive board is meeting on Thursday with David Peterson to discuss some of the charges among other items of concern to the Board. The results of that meeting will be discussed at the April 11, 2016 ROHA Monthly Meeting. Dean Hinson made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report presented tonight. Ernie Kornahrens 2nd the motion. Treasurer's Report was voted on and approved.

IV. Old Business

- 1) The 13 letters Darcia prepared for Halcyon and sent to Sage has resulted in 6 homeowners have agreed to establish payment plans to pay the fines. Betsy and Dean have requested like to see a spreadsheet showing the activity. There should be no additional fees by a collection agency to the homeowners who agreed to payment plans. It is the consensus of this Board, that NO Additional Fees should be added by the collection agency.
- 2) Jeff Morey has talked with Stacy from Halcyon regarding the mailing label. Apparently, the software they use to print labels from will not accommodate a 4th line. Consequently, labels will be printed with Current Resident and the address or the homeowner name and address. They are unable to print labels

with the homeowner's name, and/or current resident, and the addresses, which is required by the postal service in order to send the newsletters at a bulk mail rate. Jeff also has estimates from Halcyon for their mailing services. Again, we will get clarification from David at our meeting on Thursday. David states they should be able to accommodate the 4th line.

- 3) The Neighborhood Announcement Board, the check given to Atlas signs has been returned and deposited back into the ROHA account. Halcyon is still working with DOT for the permit as the area the sign is to be erected does not have a TMS#. Discussion followed the length of time involved and the problems that have been presented continue to be never-ending. Darcia is concerned about the expense and perhaps we should wait a little longer to receive some of the outstanding lien monies to have a healthier bank account. The discussion to table the Announcement Board and get our \$325.00 permit money back and wait a little longer. The major problem is no permits have been obtained due to no TMS#. Atlas Signs will not install without a permit from Dorchester County. A motion was made by Paul to table the sign and have the \$325.00 return to ROHA. Betsy Mitchum 2nd the motion. Discussion followed, Dean would like to continue with the permit process. Anna Mitchel agreed to volunteer to get the permit from Dorchester County. Stating if she gets Dorchester County, she will then take on DOT's permit process. **The motion is changed to state the \$325.00 should be returned, ROHA will continue to attempt to obtain the permits and once obtained ROHA will ask Halcyon to continue with the Neighborhood Announcement Sign. Dean 2nd the motion. The motion was voted on and approved,**
- 4) Violation Reports, Kevin stated each member of the board will begin receiving a copy of the violation report. He sent the board email list to Halcyon. Each member should get a set of violations.
- 5) 3 way stop sign at Park Forest Parkway and Landing Parkway. Kevin stated Mr. Bailey reported a study was done by the county and they do not feel a stop sign is necessary. Paul asked what kind of a study was done. Was it done by a counter? It was suggested a copy of that report be sent to us. Michelle recommended Paul to contact Lt. Barnhill with Dorchester County Sheriff's Dept. Paul will also contact Mr. Bailey.
- 6) Additional lighting Park Forest Parkway. No additional information at this time. Kevin will try to contact the people at Taylor Plantation before the April meeting.
- 7) Drainage ditches. Kevin has talked again with Mr. Rhodes, who says he is agreeable to give it back to the HOA and Kevin has been in contact with Webb, the attorney for the HOA to determine if the HOA can somehow get the property back in our possession. Mr. Bailey is still working on it, but these "dry ponds" as called by the original subdivision builder and this is a huge hang-up for getting the county to clean them. If another board member is willing to take this on, he will share the information he has collected.

V. **New Business**

Due the lateness of tonight's meeting, discussion of the Committees is not discussed in detail. Girl Scouts, ROTC was suggested as a way for them to earn service hours. Dennis Shelters has agreed to also participate on the Welcome Committee.

Taylor Plantation Neighborhood garage sale April 15 & 16, 2016. Betsy will get signs for ROHA to also participate on these dates.

Betsy needs to order US Flags for neighborhood lawns this year. Her requested was approved.

VI. **Adjournment**

The next regular Board Meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 11, 2016 at the Ashley River Fire Department Conference Room at 7:00 pm. Please plan to attend.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 pm by Dean Hinson and was 2nd by Rhonda Long.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Karen Graham, Secretary on 4/4/16.