

# ROHA General Meeting Minutes

## 27 January 2014

### I. Call to Order

Jeff Morey, Vice President, called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM on Monday, 27 January 2014 at the Faith Church on Appian Way.

- II. Councilman George Bailey presented a brief overview of his background and experience. He provided updates on the completing the sidewalk on Appian Way, street resurfacing, Waste water Treatment plant, and the ditches on Appian Way. The sidewalk is on the list of COG projects but there is no start date. Some of the roads in our neighborhood will be resurfaced this year but because of the limitations on available funds not all of the requested roads will be done. He did not have an update on the ditches but stated that the county is looking into the problem. He stated that the county has installed scrubbers to reduce the odor for the treatment plant and it seems to have helped but he will continue to monitor the situation.

A home owner asked about putting a stockade fence around the Marsh hall Pumping station. Paul Kowacich informed the members in attendance that the pumping station screening was an agreement between the developer of Indigo Fields and that the County was not involved.

### III. Roll Call

Twenty-five (25) homeowners were present which included nine (9) Board of Directors members. A quorum was established in accordance with Article VIII, Section 4 of the ROHA Bylaws for the vote on the budget.

- IV. The annual financial report for 2013 was presented. Paul Kowacich motioned to accept as written, seconded and carried unanimously.
- V. Kevin Bruch, President requested three volunteers to conduct an audit of the ROHA financial records. Ed Graham, Darcia Hicks,
- VI. The proposed budget for 2014 was presented and Darcia Hicks asked a question for the increase in the amount for Community Events. Betsy Mitchum explained that the board agreed to increase the line item amount to allow for better planning and advertisement of events. There were twenty-five (25) eligible votes including proxies. The result of the vote is as follows; Thirty-four (34) yes and one (1) no, the 2014 budget passed as presented.
- VII. The Secretary accepted nominations for Board of Directors members. Darcia Hicks and Sean Patron were nominated, were seconded and carried unanimously. Nine board positions remain vacant.
- VIII. The Secretary provided an update on the status of neighborhood improvements.
- A. Decorative street signs – The sign design has been approved by the County and installation will start this year.
  - B. Homeowners were encourage to go the ROHA Web site to see the list of future projects and if they had any suggestions or ideas to present them to the board.
- IX. The president briefly discussed dues and fine issues. Lawsuits will be filed this year against all homeowners that that have not paid their dues. All fines and past dues associated with the burned house on Boykin Drive have been collected and the home is now being renovated. The association is close to a settlement with the homeowner in Woodington II that wanted to be released from the C&Rs. If a settlement is not agreed to in February the association will file suit to bring this issue to a close.

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- X. The President gave an overview of community clean-ups that have been conducted and the lack of community participation. He stated that if participation does not improve the only way to accomplish these cleanups will be to contract them out which would require the dues to go up.
- XI. The President opened the meeting for questions and comments.
  - A. There was discussion of who is responsible to maintain the areas along Park Forest. Although this area is homeowner property it is required to be kept as a natural buffer area and clean ups in this area are targeted at keeping limbs from overhanging the street and sidewalk, not to clear cut the area.
  - B. An issue was raise about people parking on the streets and the President informed the homeowners present that they need to report these issues to the Dorchester Property Management Company or their area representative.
  - C. A discussion was conducted about installing speed bumps to control speeding. After discussion of the advantages and disadvantages including cost and maintenance no action forward was discussed.

### X. **Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.

**The next Board meeting will be February 4, 2013**