

RIVER OAKS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES OF October 27, 2015

I. A. Call to order

Kevin Bruch, President called to order the general meeting of the ROHA at 7:07 pm on Tuesday, October 27, 2015 at the Faith Assembly of God Church at 3001 Landing Parkway, North Charleston, SC 29420.

II. Roll call

The following persons were present: Kevin Bruch, President, Karen Graham, Secretary, Dean Hinson, Michelle Jackson, Betsy Mitchum, Sean Patrum, Paul Amarendran, Ellen Sapp, Rhonda Long & Bill Summer. Special Guests were Stacy Manderville, representative of Halcyon and Dorchester County Councilman George Bailey.

III. Secretary's Report

As the meeting was called to order there were only 8 residents in attendance. **There was no quorum for voting purposes.**

B. Councilman Bailey

Mr. Bailey reported that he had been meeting with FEMA officials as a result of recent area flooding. FEMA disaster centers have been set up Seacoast church in Summerville. Anyone who has damages from recent flood water conditions should take advantage of the nearby FEMA service centers.

Mr. Bailey also addressed 3 important neighborhood concerns.

1. The 3-way stop at Landing Parkway and Appian Way. This issue was corrected.
2. The sidewalk request. He has discussed the issue with no less than 4 representatives of CHATS who have stated the money has been set aside for Dorchester County and bids are still being considered. He continues to discuss the topic often and is optimistic the sidewalk request will be fulfilled soon.
3. The retention/dry/drainage pond situation remains another topic of discussion. Mr. Bailey has asked a private individual to give a quote to clean up area, as it is apparent the County will not clean this area.

Michelle Jackson asked Councilman Bailey about the increasing number of vehicles travelling on Dorchester Road. What are the chances of widening the roadway? Mr. Bailey explained there are 3 entities involved. Dorchester County Transportation Authority, County Transportation committee and Department of Transportation.

C. Halcyon – Stacy Mandeville

The following areas were discussed:

1. Message boards – The billboard location will be the first obstacle. Then obtaining the permit to install. The sign will be similar to the one at Cobblestone Ridge and will be a great way to inform every one of upcoming events in the neighborhood and will hopefully put an end to random signs and their removal.
2. Stop Signs – Are relatively easy to get installed. A letter with justification i.e. blind curves, can be sent to county officials.
3. Inspections/Violations – This is a lengthy process as with the 11 different subsections there are 11 different C&Rs to review before letters of violation are sent to residents with violations. Patience is requested.
4. Street Signs – As discussed for many months, this is a very expensive endeavor and may actually be necessary to put a hold on any further discussion until the board feels comfortable with the expense. In the meantime Stacy has been able to replace some of the missing signs from the county. The green signs are county and the blue signs are city.

The question was raised concerning backyard pools. Some residents have noted some pools have been abandoned and wonder what the recourse is. Stacy stated this is an area they of course cannot visually see. They do not walk onto properties only drive-by. If you note a resident not maintaining their pool properly Halcyon could send a letter. If there is no resolution, a resident could contact County code Enforcement officials.

D. Community Issues

1. Status of Decorative Street Signs. Very expensive on hold until further notice
2. Irrigation. This is expensive, however, we can save \$38.00/monthly by turning the water off. On hold until further notice.
3. Court Cases – All court cases are settled at the present time.
4. Sidewalks – Report from Councilman Bailey indicates perhaps 2016 will see this become a reality.
5. Drainage Ditches on Appian – Again, hopefully in 2016 we will get some resolution.
6. Activities – December 12, 2015 is the neighborhood Christmas Parade. Come out and support.
7. Budget/Dues update – Dues for 2016 will continue to be \$105.00

F. ARB - The ARB committee respectfully requests all residents please submit the proper ARB forms completed with photos and color swatches upon submission.

G. Budget and Bylaws changes. Not discussed as there was no quorum at this meeting.

H. Q&A There was a short discussion of a crosswalk light at the intersection of Dorchester Road and Ashley Phosphate. Additional discussion will follow.

IV. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:38 pm

Minutes submitted by Karen Graham, Secretary