

# Minutes of the Board of Directors Monthly Meeting

Thursday, December 5, 2019 6:00pm Prince of Peace Church, Room 14 3641 N. 56th Street Phoenix, AZ 85018

#### Call to Order and Roll Call:

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm

#### **Board Members in Attendance:**

Lisa Binsfeld, Dr. Marvin Borsand, Dr. Jim Carland, Michael Phillips, Hillary Gurley, Karen Magnoni, Amanda McCauley, Jerry McKenna, Jody Moman, Joe Prewitt, Tristahn Schaub, Marilyn Schmidlin, Craig Steblay (arrived a 6:22pm), John Stofko, Tom Thomas

**Absent**: Brian Flader, Dr. Denis Frank, Sally Geyer, Ian Quinn, Joan Warne

**Ex Officio Board Members in attendance:** 

Neighbors and Guests in Attendance: Officer Jared Sherman

**Announcements:** 

# **Board Meeting Minute Approval:**

November Minutes- Jerry McKenna made a motion to approve. Second by Tom Thomas. All in favor. No one opposed.

### **Board Membership:**

Tristahn- as everyone knows, we've had an opening on our board since Craig DeMarco resigned. Michael Phillips has been attending for about a year and is interested in joining our board. Michael arrived in Arcadia from Charlotte over a year ago. He has served on previous boards and has been wanting to get involved in any way that he can. Tristahn would like to recommend that Michael Phillips join our board. Tristahn, as President can appoint a new member subject to Board approval if there is an opening mid-term.

# Dr. Jim Carland made a motion to approve Tristahn's recommendation to have Michael Phillips join our board. Second by Amanda McCauley. All in favor. No one opposed.

We now have another board opening as Adrian Evarkiou has resigned from the board. Adrian leaves on good standing and his perspective is going to be missed.

Karen- Attendance bylaws state that members can be removed if they miss 3 consecutive meetings or 5 in a calendar year. It is asked that members attend every meeting if possible, and if they can't it is asked that they make sure to give notice in advance of the meeting that they will not be in attendance.

#### **Block Watch:**

Officer Sherman- Officer Sherman has been officially re-instated as our Community Action Officer. We will be getting a new commander next month. Precinct Commander Vasquez is going to be training new recruits. Precinct Commander Chris Erich will be our new Commander and he

will be introduced to the neighborhood during the annual meeting. Crime stats continue to be on the decline, however, with the Holiday season approaching, it is very important that we are aware of package thefts. Keep in mind that when ordering online through Amazon, you can ask that Amazon place boxes out of view of sight from the street. The police officers are aware of package thefts and are going to be setting up a sting operation to help catch the thieves. It is also advised that we install cameras to help deter the theft as well as catch them if they do steal. It has been also brought to the attention that there have been an increasing amount of wildlife sightings such as bobcats and coyotes in the neighborhood. Officer Sherman called AZ Game and Fish as well as Scott Covey and was told that unless the animals are aggressive towards people, game and fish will not get involved. There are trapping companies that will help remove the animals from the neighborhood and there are also cat deterrents that can be purchased. Karen also contacted Game and Fish and they gave her permission to use their wildlife tips to post on our newsletter and Facebook page to help notify neighbors of what they can do to protect themselves and their pets.

## Bylaws and Articles review by Board:

We have been in the process of reviewing and editing the bylaws and articles. We have hired a lawyer to review our articles and bylaws.

Jim recommends that everyone review the new bylaws and articles prior to the January meeting so that they can be reviewed and voted on. The new articles will need to be submitted to the state. The new bylaws will need to be voted on during the annual meeting. An item up for discussion was whether we should change the notice of our annual meeting to 60 days as opposed to 30. If someone wants to have a special meeting, they need to provide a 45-day notice to the board. After discussion, it was decided we are not going to change this portion of the bylaws. Also, Amanda was wondering what a household in "good standing" means and if it should be removed. Tristahn is going to ask our lawyer if that should be removed.

#### **Preservation:**

 $3810~N~54^{th}$  Court- this case needed an extra foot of height on a wall. Tom contacted the neighbors and only one neighbor at the time was opposed. The neighbor was south of the house and he objected to there being a higher wall, however after it was painted and saw that it looked good, they were ok with the wall height.

4222 N Paradise Way-had large setbacks and based on land not being theirs, but would like to build 34% on lot. The other option was for abandonment of the land that the city appears to not be using, and if that happens, they would only have a 30% lot coverage. Tristahn recommended they ask for abandonment as it had a wide turnaround in a cul-de-sac. ACMNA will oppose a 34% lot coverage.

4925 E Red Rock-there is a garage set back from the road where the grade is very steep. He wanted to bring the garage out and it would then be lower than the road and would not block anyone's views. This has been continued.

The Digital Billboard for Chick-fil-A property request has been continued to January 9 at noon.

#### **Communication:**

We need to have the annual meeting announcement in the newsletter as well as board vacancy information and the new bylaws. We should also have  $44^{\rm th}$  and Camelback , Wildlife safety article, save the date for autorama.

#### **Events:**

Brian had an *Autorama* preparation meeting. Members are going to begin approaching businesses for sponsorships. Starbucks is going to be donating to the Annual Meeting as well as

Autorama. Haggerty is going to send us "swag" to give out to guests. They have also reached out to Tony's Auto as well as SO Cal Speed shop and will reach out to Wilhelm Automotive. Craig will email those who have attended before as well as Cruisin Arizona to post on their website. Tom will reach out to Chapman Ford and Courtesy.

Hillary has a lot of hats left and John will work on having a c/c swiping capabilities. Registration link is already open online.

Annual Meeting- Annual meeting will have state of neighborhood address by Tristahn, update on Camelback and 44<sup>th</sup> St by Marvin or maybe in joint with Red, Cholla Trail by Jody, Introduction to Commander Erich as well as police presentation, Sal DiCiccio or Sam to talk, and also upcoming events.

Scouts BSA will be there to be Colorguard.

Amanda had suggested we invite all Principals from neighborhood schools to speak or possibly have tables set up for neighbors to ask questions about each of the schools.

#### Financial:

John- busy with donations coming in online as well as through the mail. So far, we have received \$6,000 in donations. Last year we received about \$17,000 in donations. Donors can send checks, send credit card information or pay online. We will be sending out thank you cards or emails for all of the donors. Tristahn has sent thank you's to all online donations.

GAIN expenses are coming through. We spent an estimated \$4,000 vs \$3,500 budgeted due to needing to hire an Ice Cream truck after the police ice cream truck was unable to attend. The event was very successful and the neighbors were very happy. The treasurers report has a couple of legal fees on it totaling around \$5,000 and we are only budgeted to spend \$2,500. Craig suggested John add a line that has an over/under column on the report.

Jim made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report. Second by Jody. All in favor. No one opposed.

Adjournment of Meeting: 7:31pm