

CASA LINDA NEIGHBORHOOD ESTATES ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting

Date: May 12, 2008

Location: Highland Park Cafeteria, Casa Linda Plaza

Board Members in Attendance:

Earl Johnson

Jim Hughes

Susan Hello

Gary Spence

Mickey Letart

John Widhalm

Phil Phelps

Brad Rogers

Absent:

Melanie Landay

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors was held on May 12, 2008, at the Cafeteria. A quorum being present the meeting was called to order by Earl Johnson, President, at 6:30 pm.

Minutes of April 14, 2008, Board Meeting were read by Susan Hello and approved as read.

Reports of Officers:

President: Earl Johnson reported that the medical waste problem in the creek west of San Saba was turned over to EPA, Texas State and City of Dallas Environmental Health Agencies. No follow up report received as of today from resident. Contact person with EPA and Earl have spoken and are looking into this.

Bylaws Committee-After a few problems were resolved, Earl appointed Debbie Finger as Chair. The committee has assembled reams of information from Dallas Homeowner League, Dallas Preservation League, dozens of neighborhood's bylaws and other information. The Article that the committee cannot finish is the one on CLENA's status with the State and the IRS, 501(c) (3) or 501 (c) (4) and Profit or non-profit. The committee is in agreement that the Board must answer the question on CLENA's status. Some progress has been made in opening discussion on membership and voting. Questions remain as to who should be a voting member and under what circumstances CLENA should speak for property owners. One of the committee members purchased a manual for \$40.00 which Earl feels the CLENA should reimburse her for. He will make the motion under New Business. Bylaw meetings are on each Wednesday at the Highland Park Cafeteria at 7:00 pm in the room assigned.

Vice President: Jim Hughes reported that Casa Linda Neighborhood was crime free for the past month. There was a car break-in at the Shopping Center.

Treasurer: Susan Hell reported funds to be \$10,341.25. There was much discussion about the what the status of CLENA should be, profit or non-profit. Susan moved that CLENA pay delinquent franchise

taxes and file the necessary paper work to be reinstated with the State of Texas as a Non-Profit organization. This is to be accomplished using 2006 Bylaws. Motion seconded, and passed.

Reports of Standing Committees

Social Committee: Mickey Letart reported on the Garage Sale. There was good participation in the neighborhood. Total received \$842.00, expenses \$42.00.

Beautification Committee: Phil Phelps reported that Debbie Finger did an over the top job in delivering all the Garden Tour flyers to our block captains after a breakdown in communications. The Garden Tour was successful for the three neighborhoods.

Yard of the Month committee selected Janie and Glen Christi of 1255 Selva as the May yard of the month. Beautification committee selected the triangle that backs up to St. Bernard Church. Phil has talked with two designers to get ideas and prices. This may be the one the committee will use in the City sponsored Mow-Mentum program. I idea is to plant large shrubs and the like to block the view of the dumpsters from the back side of the church.

Tricia Johnson informed Phil that the City mows the triangles every 10 day, however , during the summer it decreases to every 14 days.

Mickey Letart wishes his donation to go to the El Campo/Corto triangle.

External Affairs: Gary Spence reported that the drinking water fountain will cost \$3500.00. The plans are drawn and everything is ready to go forward.

Gary was asked by resident Nancy McCoy to investigate what the Casa Linda Shopping Center plans to do in regards to paint colors and stone façade and report back to the neighborhood.

Past-President: Brad Rogers, reported that Emerald Isle will be 41 town homes.

New Business

Susan Hello is CLENA's representative with Dallas Homeowners League.

Earl moved that Dawn Cleaves be reimbursed for a book she purchased for the Bylaws committee in the amount of \$40.00. Seconded, and passed.

Mickey Letart donated \$641.00 to the triangles.

Dotty Vidal is Chair of the Welcoming Committee.

Adjourn 9:00 pm

Respectfully submitted by Gary Spence and Phil Phelps