

**Stonefield Neighborhood Association
Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting
December 16, 2015**

Directors Present: Luke Francois (President), David Diercks (Treasurer), Ralph Swoboda (Secretary)

1. Call to Order. The Board met at the home of the President Luke Francois, who called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

2. Consent Agenda. There being no objection, the agenda prepared by the President was adopted by common consent.

3. Minutes. Draft minutes of the Board meeting on August 19, 2015, as prepared by the Secretary, were reviewed and amended to clarify that the Architectural Review Committee is for the Wydown additions to Stonefield. As so amended, and on motion of Luke Francois, seconded by David Diercks, the minutes were approved.

4. Treasurer's Report. David Diercks presented a financial report showing that as of December 15, 2015 the Association has total income of \$5,970 and total expenses of \$2,215 for the current financial year. Net income so far is \$3,755, which exceeds the margin of \$3,104 budgeted for the year.

Cash in the bank account totaled \$12,587. In addition, the Treasurer acknowledged receipt at the meeting of \$1,060 which the President has received for membership renewals and advertising in the directory. With that additional revenue, it appears that membership renewals came out right on budget, and 219 households out of total of about 277 are members of the Association.

On motion of Ralph Swoboda, seconded by Luke Francois, it was voted to accept the Treasurer's Report.

5. Solar Panels. In response to a concern raised by a neighbor, Ralph Swoboda and David Diercks researched the Wisconsin statutes and confirmed that prohibitions or undue restrictions on solar panels are void under state law. However, they both concluded that the Wydown covenants are enforceable if applied reasonably since Architectural Review Committee approval is only required as to the "location, material, height, and color" of solar panels installed in Wydown. It was agreed that any future statements regarding solar panels be consistent with the foregoing.

6. Rooster Run Memberships. The question of whether residents of the Rooster Run condos can join the association has been raised by a neighbor who does not live there. Since the bylaws of the Association limit membership to residents of Stonefield, it was agreed that no action needs to be considered

unless/until residents of Rooster Run actually request membership in SNA. Admitting them into membership would require an amendment to the bylaws.

7. Yard Lights. It was noted that neighborhood lighting has not been maintained as required by the covenants, since a number of residents are not turning on their front yard lights. In part, this results from their inability to find replacement parts for broken lamps, since the approved model is no longer sold. In other cases, more extensive repairs are needed to the light post and/or wiring. It was agreed that the President will identify replacement lamp alternatives that are sufficiently similar and that can be affordably purchased locally. It was also agreed that the President would seek quotes from local contractors to repair light posts and/or electrical connections. The results will be communicated to residents to assist them in getting their yard lights repaired and functional.

8. Covenants Compliance. There was a brief discussion of other current compliance questions. No actions were taken.

9. Membership Directories. It was unanimously noted that thanks are due to Jeff Mattox for his work in producing the new directory. Sales of the directory and advertising in it represent the Association's primary source of revenue, and as noted above, this year's efforts were right on target, producing total revenue of \$7,030. The cost of the directory exceeded budget by only about \$100.00

10. Welcoming Committee. Luke Francois reported that Kristin Florin is assisting Robin Sweet in getting the delivery of welcome gifts to new neighbors back on track. Unsold copies of the directory will be provided to the Committee for that purpose.

11. Social Committee. Since Chair Nicole Anspach was unable to attend the meeting, Luke Francois reported that about 80 neighbors attended the Fall Frolic on October 25. Total spend for the event was within budget at \$281.

Luke noted that Jim Dvorsky has volunteered to organize the 2016 Spring Clean-up. It was agreed that the budget for the next financial year should include funds for a similar social event to be held the evening of the clean-up.

12. 2016 Annual Membership Meeting. It was agreed that the next annual meeting will be held on April 20, 2016, subject to the President confirming availability of the venue at Middleton Sports Bowl.

13. Budget for 2016-17. The Treasurer will prepare a draft budget for consideration by the Board at its next meeting. The Board will then submit a recommended budget for approval by the members at the Annual meeting.

14. Ash Borers. As has been suggested by Norm Arendt (Immediate Past President and Adviser, who was unable to attend the meeting), it was agreed that

the President will seek quotes from contractors who can treat trees on private property and communicate the results to the neighborhood.

15. Next Board Meeting. The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be held at the President's home on February 17, 2016, at 7:00 pm.

16. Adjournment. By common consent, the meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Ralph Swoboda, Secretary