## Stonefield Neighborhood Association Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting June 15, 2016

**Directors Present:** Luke Francois (President), David Diercks (Treasurer), Dennis Cliff (Director).

**Also Present:** Jeffrey Mattox (Webmaster), Jim Dvorsky (Past Director).

- **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 Annual Membership Meeting on April 20, 2016, as prepared by the Secretary, were reviewed, and on motion of David Diercks, seconded by Dennis Cliff, the minutes were approved.
- **4. Treasurer's Report.** David Diercks presented a financial report showing that as of June 10, 2016 the Association has total income of \$166.00 and total expenses of \$814.55 for the current financial year. Net income so far is in line with the budgeted loss for the year, since this is a financial year during which dues are not collected. The Association has \$15,485.71 in its bank account. On motion of Jim Dvorsky, seconded by Dennis Cliff, it was voted to accept the Treasurer's Report.
- **5. Communications.** In response to communications received from various residents, there was a discussion of neighborhood upkeep issues, including yards with high grass, trash cans being left out, and a falling-down fence. Regarding the last, since this is also a City matter, it was agreed that the President should contact the Mayor or a city inspector to do a drive by and inspect the fence, and perhaps the Alderman should also be contacted.
- **6. Authorized Check Signers.** Dennis Cliff suggested that a second person be given check signing authority in addition to David Diercks. On motion of Dennis Cliff, seconded by Jim Dvorsky, it was voted (with David Diercks abstaining) to add Luke Francois as an alternative authorized person for banking purposes.
- **7. Entrance Signs.** As a follow up from the Annual Meeting, there was a lengthy discussion of the need to update the Stonefield entrance signs, the potential cost of doing so, and how it should be funded. The President reported that Rich Carlson, a designer of Blackhawk signs, suggested stone signs over wood, as they are more elegant and go with the Stonefield theme. The best alternatives would be cut stone or cannon stone with recessed lettering. When they are replaced, the signs at Woodgate and Stonefield should be moved to the

opposite corners to maximize traffic site lines. Luke Francois will check on easement considerations, and bring more information to the next meeting.

- **8. Annual Meeting Venue.** There was general consensus that a nicer venue should be used for the next annual meeting. Potential alternatives were discussed, including the Tap Room, Imperial Garden, and Craftsman.
- **9. Yard Lights.** Luke Francois reported that he will work with Madison Lighting and provide them with photos of four samples from the neighborhood so that they can identify the best matches for the Association to recommend to homeowners who need to replace theirs.
- **10. Adult Summer Social.** There was a general discussion of holding an Adult Social, with alternatives being open houses, an ice cream social, and labor day picnic. No action was taken..
- **11. Website.** Jeff Mattox reported that he is looking for someone to take over maintenance of the SNA website and member data base for the long-term.
- **12. Next Board Meeting.** The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be held at the call of the President.
- **13. Adjournment.** On motion of David Diercks, seconded by Dennis Cliff, it was voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Ralph Swoboda, Secretary