

FOUR HILLS VILLAGE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

6:30 pm April 11, 2017

Canyon Club

- I. **Call to Order** 6:30 pm meeting called to order by President Paul Fiest. Mary Paull apologized for not being able to attend. Quorum is met and verified, attendance recorded.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: President Paul Fiest, Vice President Herb Wright, Treasurer Bill Heath, Secretary Marilou Cochran, Membership Director Ann Harris Davidson, Publications Director Laura Siegel, Parks and Open Space Director Steve Brugge, Covenants Director Jim Church, Real Estate Director Jan DeMay, Architectural Control Director and Planning and Development Director Jim Cochran.

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Security, Overflights and Roads Director, Mary Paull.

GUESTS: Earnest Christman.

- II. **Approval of the Agenda** Ann requested a second item be added to the agenda under New Business regarding the City of Albuquerque Office of Neighborhood Coordination. With this addition, Herb made a motion to approve the agenda, second by Jim Cochran. Motion Approved.
- III. **Review of March 9 meeting minutes** were reviewed by the board, Jim Cochran made a motion to approve and Steve Brugge seconded. Motion Approved.

IV. **Reports from Officers and Board Members**

A. **President:** Paul Fiest –

1. Mail Theft – Four Hills Village is experiencing an alarming number of mail thefts, we need to address this problem as an association. Paul offered to present a class on identity theft protection for residents of Four Hills Village. He will coordinate with the Canyon Club to scheduled date and time in June. A membership table can be set up at this event to offer membership to those attending who may not be members. Unfinished Business.

B. **Vice President:** Herb Wright

1. Asked members, when using email to reply to the person or persons necessary and not to all unless required.

C. **Treasurer:** Bill Heath

1. Checking account balance = \$10,735.88
2. Money Market Account balance = \$25,732.40

3. Two membership renewals by check and two by PayPal. Ann asked Bill again to share with her the details of the two who had paid by PayPal. Total 4 renewals.
4. Paul will take a copy of the 2017 FHVHA BoD election results to the bank, to update their records and signatory authorization for this organization.

D. Secretary: Marilou Cochran

1. Nothing to Report

E. Membership: Ann Harris Davidson

1. Ann thanked Laura for creating a new Excel spreadsheet for the 2017 membership records and thus for determining that the association currently has 285 household memberships that total 509 individual members. Three renewing household memberships had been received since the March meeting and Ann handed those three checks to Bill at the meeting.
2. Ann also thanked Laura for working with her to create a new membership form, copies of which Ann gave to all members at the meeting and would also email electronic copies to all members. Herb queried whether the part of the form that gives instructions on completing the form could be highlighted in a different color. Concern was expressed over the printing costs if color were to be used; the consensus was that emphasizing that section of the form with asterisks should fit the need. Bill will post this new form on the web site and opportunities to encourage additional members to join will be made whenever the association has activities such as through setting up membership tables at the upcoming events: April -Education Town Hall; May- Garage Sale; and June – Identity Theft prevention & Security talk.

F. Architectural Control: Jim Cochran

1. Nothing to report

G. Covenants: Jim Church

1. Nothing to report

H. Publications: Laura Siegel

1. Spring Edition of The Chronicle is almost ready for to be published. She is awaiting two articles and they were promised to her asap.
2. Laura requested the purchase of the current version computer software to use for publishing. The cost is \$99.00 for 5 computers and 5 tablets. Jim Church made a motion to authorize this purchase, Ann seconded the motion. Motion approved.
3. Laura will be absent for the May meeting.

I. Parks & Open Space: Steve Brugge

1. Neighborhood Clean-up day is April 29. He asked that a notice be included in The Chronicle and on the web site.

J. Security, Overflights & Roads: Mary Paull - absent

K. Real Estate & Public Relations: Jan DeMay

1. Monthly real estate sales data for area 60- Four Hills Village
 - a. Active Properties - 48
 - b. Pending Properties - average price per sq. ft. \$130.511
 - c. Sold Properties - 6, average price per sq. ft. \$122.77
 - d. Days on market - average 81 days
2. Neighborhood Garage Sale is scheduled for Saturday May 6. From 8am to 2pm, Participating homes are to call Jan's assistant Billie to register. Jan will have signs and items for participating sellers at her home on Friday evening May 5.

L. Planning & Development: Jim Cochran

1. A resident called to ask Jim about covenants. He is building a new home on Ranch Rd. and a fence needs to be built between his house and his neighbor. Jim advised him to talk directly to his neighbor, to work it out personally, if possible.

V. **Unfinished Business**

- A. **Bylaws Subcommittee.** Herb Wright, Chairman, will contact members of the Bylaws Subcommittee (Ann, Laura, Steve, and Ernest) to determine date, time and place to meet. He has requested copies of Bylaws from other Associations for reference and possibility of adopting portions. He will contact Bobbie Collins, the Lawyer, residing in Four Hills Village, who is familiar with current requirements. Unfinished Business.
- B. **Directory Subcommittee.** Ann Harris Davidson, Chairman. Members will meet in May. Ann will contact Laura, Steve and Mary to determine date, time and place. Unfinished Business.
- C. **Follow up on Development work on 823 Stagecoach Rd.** – In response to an email Jim sent to the city (copy to FHVHA BoD) regarding this development, the city agreed that no permits have been pulled, no planning and development requested, no flood plan study. There is no availability or access for water line, or sewer connection as well as the fact it is land locked so that homes cannot be built on these sites. Jim will contact the Mascarenes's to inform them of these findings. Jim recommends this item be closed as nothing further can be done. Item closed.
- D. **Traffic Calming Issues.** Laura asked if additional stop signs would be effective. Other members on the board acknowledged the traffic studies and involvement of various city departments to install stop signs, would take time and wouldn't be cost effective. Jim Church will email members a link to traffic calming solutions. Unfinished Business.

- E. **Discussion of official, formal cooperation between the FHVHA and the Four Hills Neighbors (FHN).** The FHN is the well-established women’s organization in FHV. Ann (a member of both organizations as are Jan, Mary, and Laura) believes that it would be beneficial to both organizations to have more formal cooperation and collaboration between these two FHV neighborhood associations. She suggested that consideration should be given to including a position on the FHVHA board and FHN board member, when the FHVHA bylaws are redrafted. Ann also mentioned that Mary is currently a board member of both these organizations and, thus, Mary may be able to raise this issue with the FHN. Unfinished Business.

VI. New Business

- A. **Raising Positive Public Profile of FHV-** Ann Harris Davidson
Ann passed copies of the Albuquerque Journal’s Homestyle section of March 3 - 9 2017, page HS11, to all members of the board. The article in question, “What Homebuyers Look for While Searching for the Right Community”, touted various advantages of areas such as the Northeast Heights, Nob Hill, Downtown, “the highly-rated school districts in Rio Rancho”, and others, but made no mention of Four Hills Village in this listing of desirable areas. Ann describe that this was also the case eight years ago when realtors engaged by the federal government to show off desirable housing (to entice scientists to move to Albuquerque) deliberately avoided mentioning Four Hills Village. Ann’s point was that FHV needs a public relation make-over and that this association needs to seek every opportunity for positive publicity to highlight FHV’s desirability as a wonderful place to live. This would include that board members should make the effort to contact media sources to cover our events. Unfinished Business.
- B. **Office of Neighborhood Coordination -**Ann Harris Davidson
We need to insure we are registered in good standing with the ONC. Paul will call them to insure our documentation is in order. Unfinished Business.

VII. Any Announcements

- A. **Town Hall Forum** with Elizabeth Armijo, District 6 Board of Education Representative, Tuesday April 25, 2017, at 6:30. Point of Contact – Ann Harris Davidson.
- B. **Neighborhood Clean-up**, 29 April entrance to Four Hills Village. Point of Contact - Steve Brugge
- C. **Green Waste Pick-up**, Monday, May 1st and My 8th.
- D. **Neighborhood Garage Sale**, Saturday, May 6, 8-2. Point of Contact – Jan DeMay.
- E. **Identity Theft & Security Class**, June, date and time TBD. Point of Contact -Paul Fiest

VIII. Adjourn

- A. Herb made a motion for the meeting to adjourn. Jim Cochran seconded. Motion was approved and the meeting adjourned 8:00 pm.

Next Meeting – Tuesday May 9, 2017 at 6:30 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Marilou Cochran,

Secretary