

Conners Creek Homeowners Association

March 25, 2010 7 p.m.

Meeting Minutes

Association President Bill Kilday called the meeting to order. He gave a brief history of the association and offered special thanks to Dan Fehling, who has served as treasurer of a number of years, and has been the glue that held the association together. Dan has recently resigned his post, with result being that Bill is the only currently active Association officer. Bill met with several of the past presidents of the association as an ex-officio board, and a slate of officers were nominated.

As the first order of business, Bill offered the slate of officers for election by the association:

Bill Kilday- president,
Michael Dunthorn- vice-president,
Chastity Wiggs- secretary, and
Julie Rambo- treasurer

The Association voted to approve the slate by acclamation.

A treasurer's report was given, indicating a \$2,651 balance in the association coffers. A 2010-2011 budget for \$2,600 was proposed. The association voted to approve the budget as proposed.

There was discussion of the volunteer basis for membership in the association. The history of the association was explained, with an administrative break between the original developer's deed restrictions and the establishment of the homeowner's association, which appears to limit the authority of the association to require homeowners in the subdivision to be members and pay dues. The association will continue to operate as a volunteer membership organization. VP Mike Dunthorn will work with association street captains to canvass the neighborhood and encourage everyone to join.

There was discussion of the need to clean up the neighborhood entrance gardens. It was agreed that volunteers would meet at the entrance at 8:30 a.m. on March 27 to pull weeds, trim the hedges, install mulch and set plans for ongoing upkeep.

The group discussed the benefits of having neighborhood social events to build cohesiveness and strengthen the association.

The group listened to a presentation by Kenneth Marston, Chief of the Karns Volunteer Fire Department. Chief Marston expressed understanding of our discussion of the volunteer nature of the association, because KVFD is likewise a volunteer organization, depending almost entirely on donations for support. Currently only 20% of the homes in KVFD donate, and the average donation was \$97, slightly less than the minimum requested donation. Marston explained all the expenses involved in providing fire protection services and appealed for help in increasing donations. If they are not able to meet this year's goals, they will likely be forced to go to a system more like Rural Metro, where mandatory contributions are set, with any calls run to non-payers being charged the full cost of the run,

with a lien placed on the property in question if the balance is not paid. Further info can be gained by going to the fire department's website at www.kvfd.com or by calling Chief Marston at 691-8994.

Bill closed the meeting, noting that arrangements for mowing at the neighborhood entrance have already been made. Bill encouraged us all to work to be good neighbors, watching out for each others' well-being. Volunteer street captains are being sought, and work will begin on coordinating the upcoming year's membership drive.

The meeting was adjourned.