

Tonto Hills Improvement Association

THIA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes April 27, 2010

Board members attending: Rick Nelson, Lou Frederick, Rick Pearson, Cheryl Kaufman, Carol Landauer, Kevin O'Brien, Ralph Spurgin. Ann DiChiara arrived while the meeting was in progress.

Board members absent: Martha Stock

Guests: Mary Pearson

Rick Nelson called the meeting to order at 6:39 PM. Board members elected officers and liaisons. Following are the results:

President: Rick Nelson

Vice President: Cheryl Kaufman

Treasurer: Kevin O'Brien

Asst. Treasurer: Rick Pearson

Secretary: Ralph Spurgin

Asst. Secretary: Carol Landauer

Environmental Representative: Cheryl Kaufman

ACC and DWID liaison: Lou Frederick

Rick Nelson requested that board members provide him all their phone numbers. He will "propagate" them to other board members.

Open Forum

Mary Pearson thanked all board members for their service in the name of all THIA members.

Meeting Minutes Approval

Kevin O'Brien moved and Lou Frederick seconded approval of the February 17 meeting minutes. The motion was approved.

Treasurer's Report

Rick Pearson reported that THIA has \$4109.67 in checking and \$79,376.14 in the money market account. Ralph Spurgin moved and Carol Landauer seconded acceptance of the Treasurer's report. The motion passed.

Communication and Reports

Lou Frederick will call Eric Luker regarding ACC elections and membership.

Cheryl Kaufman is trying to get a commitment on the next dust palliative treatment from the County. We thought it was to be done in April.

Lou Frederick will continue to follow-up the County to put native soil over the white non-native soil in the road. Rick Pearson said the white was showing through in front of his house.

Cheryl Kaufman will determine the County rules regarding "Children at Play" sign placement.

Lou Frederick will call his EPA contact to determine the lower dust particulate count tolerance set a couple years ago. He'll ask whether these have been translated into traffic counts to determine locations where the tolerance is exceeded.

Cheryl Kaufman will pursue this same line of inquiry with the County.

New Business

The Board discussed the late fee amount associated with late assessment payments. Cheryl Kaufman moved that a late fee of \$25 be assessed per property for each thirty day period past due, up to the 90-day past due which then results in a lien on the property. Rick Pearson seconded the motion; the motion passed.

The Board discussed electronic communication with members. Ralph Spurgin moved that henceforth we use electronic resources for primary communication to Tonto Hills Members from THIA, THVFD and THVFD Auxiliary including Annual Assessment invoicing. Rick Pearson seconded; the motion passed.

The Board agreed to move aggressively to obtain the remaining members e-mail addresses and complete the expanded electronic communication project Rick Pearson outlined by November including a "Check Website Regularly" campaign.

Carol Landauer will draft a letter within the next two weeks to members regarding electronic communication. It will be included in the annual assessment mailing.

June will be the last month we send e-mail announcements of Board meetings. The meeting dates will be on the calendar on the web site.

The Board discussed outsourcing Treasury related work to Carefree Executive Services. The Board agreed to do so. Rick Nelson will draft a contract letter for Board review. The THIA Treasurer will continue to have oversight and reporting responsibilities. The Board will authorize liens and lien releases.

Checking account signatories for this year are Rick Pearson, Kevin O'Brien, Carol Landauer and Cheryl Kaufman. They will coordinate an appearance at M&I Bank.

Cheryl Kaufman is estimating that we'll use six dumpsters this year. The last one will likely be removed next week.

Frank Casanova wrote us a letter related to speed limit signs. The County says we have nine. Our count is five (?). Cheryl Kaufman will continue trying to make meaningful contact showing a map of where we think signs are needed. If the issue is not resolved by June, Rick Nelson will write a formal letter.

Rick Nelson stated that projects for this year include a member phone book, finalizing the financial policies and procedures manual, and working with the Forest Service on the Gold Hill issue.

Rick Nelson will follow-up with THVFD regarding the "Road to Nowhere" problem.

The June Meeting is set for June 1.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:24 PM.