

## **Minutes of 03/07/2012 ROIA Board Meeting**

**Board Members Present:** Ruth Brackmann, Rick Deist, Sharon Goodman, Kristin Norberg, Linda Saxton, Dean Meyers, Frank Vainisi

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m., at the home of Dean Meyers.

**Additions to the Agenda:** Ruth added the vote on the FY2012-2013 budget to the Treasurer's Report. Linda added a discussion of parking in the lower cul-de-sac to New Business.

### **Secretary's Report**

Kristin moved to accept the minutes of the Feb. 21, 2012 board meeting with one correction. The total amount of ROIA assets is \$51,359.34, not \$51,583.34, as originally recorded. Linda seconded, all approved.

### **Treasurer's Report**

#### Dues

- Rick reported that 5 more homeowners have paid their dues making a total of 13 quarters now paid.
- Rick mentioned that one homeowner has asked for an exemption from dues because the home is unlivable due to fire. Unfortunately, there is no such exemption. Rick moved to waive the late fee for the homeowner, Linda seconded, all approved.
- Sharon moved to pay Rick \$5.36 for envelopes for the annual meeting mailings to homeowners. Dean seconded, all approved.
- Kristin moved to formally approve the ROIA budget for FY 2012-2013, totaling \$15,360.00. Linda seconded, all approved.

### **Landscaping**

- Frank stated that B&B Landscaping will begin cleanup of grounds on April 1, 2012, and that the city will start its first brush pickup that same week. River Oaks is one of the first areas to be serviced. Frank also mentioned that B&B did a lot of trimming last year but more needs to be done.
- Ruth reported that she called the city regarding Rick Nagode's concerns re: ruts in the grass in the center area of the upper cul-de-sac. Ruth was told that police will be ticketing people who park illegally in the cul-de-sac during the school day.

### **Old Business**

- Frank reported that he had looked at the steps in the common area today and that the second to the bottom step needs a board replaced. All the other steps are sturdy and the banisters are solid too. He said that the retaining wall appears to be pretty good with nothing pushing out or falling off.
- Linda suggested that at the April meeting, the board should meet at Rick's house in order to take a look at the retaining wall. The board briefly discussed how to approach the retaining wall project with Ruth agreeing to contact Ron Mentzer at the city for the retaining wall specifications.
- Frank reported that he had found some suitable solar lights for the front entrance sign. The lights cost \$99.00 each and are sold by Gardener's Supply Company. Dean made the motion to buy two of these lights, Linda seconded, and all approved.
- Linda reported that she will contact Atty. Keith Letsche of Bond & Dickson and tell him that ROIA is not in a financial position to pay a \$1000 annual retainer fee plus \$200.00/hr. for his services.

### **New Business**

- Linda moved to retain the same officers and committee heads as last year. Frank seconded, all approved.
- Linda said that she had received a notice in her mailbox from the US Postal Service stating that mail could not be delivered when the mailbox is blocked. She stated that parking can be a

problem in River Oaks, but that neighbors need to be more mindful of where they park. Ruth will put a notice in the newsletter not to block PO boxes.

- Rick offered to send a note to the homeowner who needed a babysitter, telling her that we no longer have advertising in the ROIA Newsletter.

Rick moved to adjourn the meeting. Kristin seconded, all approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

The next meeting will be held at 7:15 p.m., Thursday, April 26, 2012, at Rick's house, with the meeting starting at the retaining wall.

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Respectfully submitted  
Sharon Goodman, Secretary