

Shady Rest Homeowners Association, Inc.
Board of Directors Annual Meeting
Minutes

Date: 09/20/2022

Location: Newtown Community Center.

Attendance: 20 members present, 2 on Zoom.

Called to Order: 7:50 pm.

Minutes: Accepted as written.

New Neighbors: 6 new neighbors! 3 Deer Trail, 18 Housatonic, 14 Shady Rest Blvd., 9 Todds, and 11 and 13 Overlook. Please take some time to say hello to your new neighbors.

Board Members: Priscilla DePaola read the Code of Conduct for Members of the Board: *“A Member of the Board is a positive advocate and an approachable extension of the Officers. A Member of the Board will need to attend a minimum of 66% of the meetings (meeting dates for the year are announced at our annual meeting), they respond to emails, Facebook posts, and participate in maintenance projects and neighborhood activities and events. This participation is not limited to labor. By being a source of information and knowledge of what is going on, and by coordinating and being a voice to it, Board Members are actively and positively advocating for our neighborhood. A Board Member needs to be able to talk about what is going on in our neighborhood and listen to other people's questions and comments in an unbiased manner while representing Shady Rest in an official capacity, Board Members are required to act with courtesy, respect, diplomacy, civility, and professionalism.”*

Financial Recap: Tim O’Meara reports \$4,447.70 Cash on Hand. He presented a Profit and Loss report for 1/21/21 through 9/20/22.

Committees: Priscilla handed out packets for new committees: Dues, Pavilion, Roads, Website, Kayak/Docks, Parcels, Research, and Events Committees. Each Board Member will head up a committee and report at future meetings.

Dues Committee: This committee would work with Tim to verify the dues list, write letters and approach non-payers for information to report at board meetings. Volunteer (s) needed.

Pavilion Committee: Mike Wilkowski is heading up this committee, Dianna Villafana volunteered to assist. This committee would take reservations for use of the space with the possible use of a form for parties more than 20 people and Event Insurance would be required for the day of the event. They would check the facility before and after for damage and/or trash and set out “Private Party” signs beforehand.

Roads Committee: Gary Gilroy will be lead on this committee, still need volunteer (s). This committee will making sure all street signs are good, check drains and road conditions noting repairs needed and reporting any new work needed at meetings.

Website Committee: Dave Knight to lead with assistance from Mary Edgerton. Dave will be taking down the current website and build a new, safer and user-friendly site to be ready January 2023. Mary will keep the Facebook page updated and work with the Events Committee with up-and-coming events.

Kayak/Docks Committee: Connie Cooper has been and will continue to take care of the Kayak end and Greg Franzino will head up the Dock end. They will collect waivers and payments and remind members of removal dates and report this information at meetings.

Parcels Committee: There are 5 Shady Rest parcels that will need to be managed; Beach/Pavilion, Dry Hydrant area, Boat Launch, strip of land next to Gary's, parcel on Shady Rest Blvd., and the entrance area. Rich Balaban to head up, volunteer (s) needed. This committee would periodically check the parcels and report back to the Board any needed repairs and updates.

Research Committee: Volunteers needed. This committee would be responsible for quotes and estimates for lawn care, trash, porta-potty, and pest control. They will report to the Board in March for the up-and-coming year.

Events Committee: To be headed up by Kim McIntosh, volunteers always needed. This committee would take care of neighborhood gatherings (with the assistance of volunteers), Newsletters, Octoberfest, Halloween events, Christmas events, and Shady Rest Merch among other ideas. Bernadette, Jessica, Edge and Shilo to also help.

Pavilion Repair: Still unfinished. Looking for volunteers for sanding and sealing of the pavilion. If we do not get any volunteers, we will have to seek outside paid help to ready the area for winter.

Accomplishments:

Google Maps: Kim has been working with Google to correct the one-way roads information. They provided her with a camera to video these areas. She will be submitting back to them soon.

Cornhole/ROLZA (Riverside) Relations: Along with the success of the Cornhole tournaments with them, we have been sharing conversations about operations and practices for private neighborhoods.

Kayak Racks: Thank you to Gary and Dave who repaired and reinforced the rack and to Peter for cleaning and weeding the area.

Entrance Area: Thank you to Kyle and Edge for cleaning up and edging this area.

Shady Rest Merch: A Shady Rest Store has been created at Tee Public, <https://www.teepublic.com/user/shady-rest>. Design ideas should be submitted to Kim.

Street Lighting: Rich will be investigating solar streetlights for some of our poorly lit streets. We cannot use the telephone poles.

Mailing List Update: Gary updates this with Tim at every billing cycle.

Reminder to trim bushes: Reminding all neighbors to trim back their bushes and undergrowth from the streets as we approach winter. If people need help, the Parcels Committee could get a group together to help. Mary to send email and Facebook reminders.

Up-and-coming Board Meeting Dates: 11/15/22, 1/10/23, 3/14/23, 5/9/23, 8/8/23 and 9/12/23.

Positive Community: Peter Kloudas talked about a positive community view to increase property values. He mentioned Halloween as a good time to promote our neighborhood. The Events Committee will investigate. To use social media to promote.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:43 pm.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday November 15, 2022, at 7:30 pm at the Newtown Community Center.