Lee's Crossing Homes Association Board of Directors' Meeting

Minutes of the January Meeting January 10, 2013 ~ 7:30 PM

Board Members Present: President Brad Herr, Joe Fenton, Walt Walker, Erroll Eckford, Angela Ford, Jim Martin

Residents and Guests Present:

- Tarver Lowe 412 Lee's Trace
- Melissa Drehs 413 Lee's Trace
- Evelyn Akin 1044 Chestnut Hill Circle
- Gordon Pfeiffer 545 Basil Court
- Johnny Sinclair Marietta City Council

Noting a quorum of the Board Present President Kerr called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM.

Voice of the Neighbor:

Traton Homes Tree Plan:

The Traton Homes project was given a variance with regard to the tree plan. Based on a revised tree plan from Traton that included trees planted in the buffer zone between the Lee's Crossing properties bordering the new Traton development, Lee's Crossing supported the variance. Since then there have been Magnolias removed that were shown on the revised tree plan and there is a question from Lee's Crossing residents about whether all the buffer trees shown on the revised plan have been planted. Walt Walker told Councilman Sinclair that the City has granted additional variances to the tree plan after the original plan was approved. Walt Walker will talk to Councilman Grif Chalfant to review the most recent tree plan to determine whether Traton Homes is in compliance with the approved tree plan.

Speed Tables:

Walt Walker advised members that he had talked to Grif Chalfant and City Engineer Jim Wilgus. Grif indicated that the City would pick a date to begin the balloting in Lee's Crossing to vote for or against speed tables on Lee's Trace. Jim Wilgus told Walt that before the ballots are mailed there needs to be a City public hearing.

Johnny Sinclair explained that the public hearing would include a presentation from Public Works about the process and to show where the speed tables are proposed on Lee's Trace. Following the public hearing, ballots will be mailed to residents who would have 60 days to return the ballots. If the measure passed in the neighborhood, the City Council would have a final vote for or against the speed tables.

Walt Walker will coordinate with the City to determine a date to hold a public meeting on the speed tables.

Landscaping:

With the departure of Diane Ryan, a hole was created to coordinate with Georgia Landscapes. Gordon Pfeiffer approached Evelyn Akin to see if she would be willing to step into the role of coordinating landscape services.

Evelyn told the Board that she would like to create a long term plan to upgrade the current landscaping in the common areas with particular attention to adding drought resistant plantings as the budget allows. Evelyn would also be an advocate for the neighborhood to ensure we are getting the full scope of landscape services we are paying for. Evelyn also noted that as the neighborhood has aged some of the property landscaping has not been kept up and some properties are in need of landscape upgrades.

Gordon Pfeiffer suggested that Evelyn is knowledgeable and energetic and that the Board might consider a small monthly budget for Evelyn to buy landscaping plantings for the common areas. The Board thanked Evelyn for her interest and will make a recommendation about her serving as the landscaping coordinator.

QuikTrip Variance

Brad Herr asked Councilman Sinclair if there had been any follow up after the QuikTrip variances proposed on the corner of Whitlock and Burnt Hickory had been voted down by City Council. Johnny replied that he had not heard anything more about their interest in that site but hoped they might consider a different site to develop.

City Redistricting

Johnny Sinclair noted that there had been some redistricting in the City and while Grif Chalfant still represents Lee's Crossing, Johnny's District now includes the area between Manning Road and Whitlock Ave. Councilman Sinclair noted that some parts of this area are in decline due to the number of units that have been converted to low cost rental properties. It is an area that he will continue to try to find a long term solution for because it has the potential to have an impact on housing in neighboring developments including Lee's Crossing.

Review of Minutes from November/December 2012 Meeting

The minutes from the November/December 2012 meeting were reviewed. There was no discussion. Jim moved to accept the minutes and Walt seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

Review of the Treasurer's Report

Angela Ford presented the final Financial Statement for 2012. Board Members discussed the categories to which some items were posted, particularly maintenance and capital expenditures. Board Members agreed that the 2012 financial statement accurately reflects the Lee's Crossing 2012 income and expenses. Walt Walker made a motion to approve the final 2012 financial statement and Jim Martin seconded the motion. The final 2012 financial statement was approved by voice vote.

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There have been reports of Coyote sightings in the neighborhood. Jim Martin has identified someone that will live trap the Coyotes at no cost to the neighborhood. Jim Martin will talk to Mary Manning to get permission to do trapping. May look at other areas as well including the flood plain adjacent to the neighborhood.

The Dollar on Your Door campaign to fund sanitation workers' Christmas donation collected \$1,257.00.

Swim Tennis

No issues for discussion noted.

Executive Session

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	(expects quote at end of January)
2013-1-10-01	Walt Walker to coordinate City Public Meeting on Speed Tables.
2013-1-10-02	Walt Walker to review Traton tree plan with Councilman Chalfant.
2013 -1-10-03	Jim Martin to talk to Mary Manning about placing traps on the Manning
	property

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joe Fenton