# WHITE OAK SPRINGS HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION INC. QUARTERLY COMMUNITY MEETING MINUTES July 28, 2022

A quarterly community meeting of the homeowners of White Oak Springs Homeowner's Association, Inc. was held on July 28, at 7:00 p.m. at the VFW post 8905, 21902 Northwest Fwy.

### In Attendance:

Board members in attendance were: Marie Godard (President), Eugene Watkins (Treasurer), Ronda Shepherd (Secretary), Erick Pena Valdez (Director) and Aldo Garcia (Director). Action Property Management (APM) member in attendance was: Lee Waldheim.

There were 18 total homeowners present.

### Call to Order:

Having a quorum present, Director, Aldo Garcia called the meeting to order at 7:05 P.M.

# Introduction of 2022 Board:

Aldo Garcia, Director introduced the 2022 Board. From left to right: Eugene Watkins (Treasurer), Erika Pena Valdez (Director), Aldo Garcia (Director), Ronda Shepherd (Secretary), Marie Godard (President) and Lee Waldheim (APM representative).

## Review of Minutes:

Erika reviewed the minutes for quarterly community and executive meeting from April 20, 2022, Ronda Shepherd approved the minutes and provided the executed copy to Lee Waldheim.

#### Action Property:

Action Property provided members of the community in attendance a homeowner's handout that included:

- · Agenda for community meeting
- Meeting minutes from April 20, 2022
- · Financial Trail Balance and Income Statement

### Financial Report:

Lee Waldheim provided a financial report ending March, 2022 with: total operating bank account funds of: \$47,135.33 and Reserves of \$52,119.21.

Total Deposits were \$385.81. Out of that \$197.718 was for 2022 assessments, \$2.44 for interest and penalties, \$50.00 for d/r reinforcement income, \$20.00 for payment plans, and \$115.66 for legal fee reimbursement.

Misc. Expenditures: \$650.00 sprinkler repair, \$15.00 legal fees, \$100.00 YOM gift cards, and \$600.00 for premium added for insurance endorsement (playground).

Resident Correspondence: 1 welcome package sent this month

ACC Requests: 1 submitted and approved 6.24.2022.

General collections: APM has collected 98% of the 2022 assessments. There are 3 accounts delinquent on the assessments and 3 open payment plans.

Legal Proceedings: 2 accounts open with the attorney's office

Budget for 2022 shows general reserves for a loss in the amount of \$5,078.76

#### Old Business:

**Ground Cave In:** Ronda Shepherd reported the ground cave in near the mailbox on White Oak Springs Dr. caused by the AT&T burial of new lines has been repaired by Commissioners Precinct #3. No more reports of any other repairs for the neighborhood was needed. A resident stated that he was able to get repairs done in his own yard by calling AT&T and staying on them.

**Neighborhood signs:** Eugene Watkins announced the office of Precinct #3 has installed signs at both entrances of the neighborhood restricting parking of commercial vehicles after 10pm.

# New Business:

Crime awareness: Erika Pena Valdez reported a crime incident in the neighborhood. A red jeep was spotted in the back parking lot of the market facing the playground. Residents reported that the occupant was watching women walking the track with binoculars. The police were called and after questioning they were asked to move out of the private property of the driveway and forced to park on the street. Working together, the board was able to get an address and name of the owner of the jeep. After that they were seen only one more time in the neighborhood, a resident called the person out by name. The jeep has been spotted in Wortham neighborhood and the board contacted the Wortham HOA.

A sign announcing the community meeting at the entrance off Huffmeister was vandalized and will need to be replaced. A reminder of "if you see something say something" was made and locations of the non-emergency number for the police was given.

**Neighborhood Garage Sale:** Ronda Shepherd announced the date of the neighborhood garage sale as September 17-18. Residents are encouraged to hold a garage sale and/or visit the neighbors garage sale to encourage getting to know other residents.

**HOA Board Elections:** Eugene Watkins announced the next community meeting to be held in October, there will be 3 positions open on the HOA board. Residents were informed that any homeowner can be elected to the board. Any questions can be directed to the HOA email, woshoaboard@gmail.com.

**Assessment Increase:** Marie Godard informed the residents on the inevitable rise of the assessments for 2023. Assessments are calculated by taking all the neighborhood expenses for the year and dividing them by 140 (number of houses in the neighborhood).

- The cost of the trash service has already risen by 16.3% and another rise is expected when the contract comes up in July of 2023. Other quotes were obtained but they were more expensive by a big spread from Texas Pride. Ronda Shepherd presented a possible solution of having the billing done by the water district to MUD 248 but it was not approved.
  - A resident asked about each house paying own trash. This has been explored by the HOA and the homeowners will actually be paying more by doing this (approx. \$33 a month in comparison to approx. \$16 a month with a community contract)
- Cost of storage went up 50%. This storage is used for temporary signs, decorations and anything else that the community owns.
- Electricity cost is expected to go up 84% when the contract comes due in 2023. Electricity includes the cost of the streetlights throughout the neighborhood, the sprinkler system (controller) and the front entrance lighting. Action Property Management company is working to find the cheapest rate possible.

- A resident suggested getting a contract that lets the neighborhood lock in a rate.
   HOA's are considered commercial and that is not possible because of that. Due to the fluctuation of rates at this time, the HOA is waiting until November to make a decision on the company and price.
- A resident suggested using LED light bulbs. This has already been explored by the HOA and the result is the neighborhood would have to pay to have all the bulbs replaced.

## **Homeowners Forum:**

- A resident saw someone working on the Flock security system. The board was not aware of an issue and will ask Flock what was done.
- Hemwick road construction: A resident asked for more information on the Hemwick road construction which will shut off access to the back side of the neighborhood. Marie Godard had a handout from the Precinct 3 website.
- A resident pointed out that the rise of price in the trash service will amount to \$0.48 per day.
- A resident asked for an estimate on how much the assessment will increase. The board will not know that until the end of November due to rate fluctuation.
- Trash pickup: a resident asked about how the trash cans were supposed to be put out before 6am. Marie Godard had a printout from the Texas Pride website stating trash needs to be out by 6am.
- A resident wanted to know what can be done about commercial trucks driving through the
  neighborhood. One in particular is a True Green truck that is driving very fast. Another is
  a dump truck that seems to be using the neighborhood to shortcut to 290. The streets are
  owned by the county so there is nothing the HOA can do. Residents can all the nonemergency police line to make complaints. Ronda Shepherd suggested getting a truck
  number or license plate and calling the company to complain directly.
- Loud noises in the neighborhood: A resident complained about at 3 wheeled vehicle that is very loud that drives up and down the street. Although the streets are owned by the county, there is a section in the governing documents that explain anything that becomes a nuisance for any other resident, the resident has a right to complain in which case the management company will send a letter of complaint. If the behavior continues, a fine can be issued. This includes anything that can cause discomfort to another resident such as loud noises as well as excessive parking, blocking of driveways, etc.

#### Adjournment:

Being there was no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:54 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted, White Oak Springs Homeowners Association, Inc

White Oak Springs HOA Board