

FHA Annual Meeting – January 27, 2014

President Micah Flippen called the meeting to order.

The Annual Meeting was called to order at 7:05 by Board president Micah Flippen. Micah began by welcoming new families to the Foxfire neighborhood: Forrest and Megan Couch, Kirk and Karen Joseph, Bill and Nicole McKinley, and Michael and Irma Bozardt.

Summary of 2013 news/activities by Micah Flippen:

1. Foxfire Triangle Workday: Thank you to all families who participated, and a special thank you to the following residents for their participation in the event: Kimberly McAdams (organizer), Mathew Vaughan and Wayne Williams families (refreshments), and the Wehmeyer family (tools).
2. Annual 4th of July Celebration: Thank you to Blanche Brick for organizing the event and to all residents who provided refreshments.
3. National Night Out/Ice Cream Social: Thank you to Dwayne and Diane Walters for organizing the event.
4. Criminal activities in the neighborhood: There were reports of a suspicious solicitor this year. Action taken: "No Solicitors" signs have been installed. Thank you to Mathew Vaughan. Residents are encouraged to be vigilant. One resident reported a stolen UPS package.

Committee Reports

Treasurer's Report by Wayne Williams- As of 12/31/13, the FHA had a net worth of \$22,597.46. Income for the year totaled \$4,195.27, and expenses were \$1,787.19. Expenses included: mulch, sprinkler repair - \$295.58, BCAD property list and copies - \$19.09, P.O. box rental - \$40.00, No Solicitation signage - \$168.87, mowing - \$540.00, Stamps - \$36.50, Utilities - \$389.28, Website hosting - \$297.87.

Architectural Control Committee Report by Paul Parrish- Micah summarized the report prepared by Paul. One specific concern dealt with the property near the front of Foxfire (Sebesta side) with the newly constructed fence, wondering if the fenced area was too small (less than 3 acres) for a horse. Micah explained that the horse was a 4-H project, therefore allowing the 3-acre requirement to be waived. It was suggested that to avoid similar questions in the future, residents with project animals (4-H, FFA, etc.) place a sign on the fence indicating such. New Board will discuss that at next meeting.

Maintenance Committee Report by Kimberly McAdams - Micah presented the report for Kimberly. This committee organized the triangle workday in March 2013. Additionally, the committee cleaned the triangle area prior to the 4th of July parade. There have been leaks reported to the committee, and all have been repaired.

A resident expressed a concern about the Foxfire signs and that some stones appear to be shifting. An additional concern was expressed regarding the mold and dirt on the signs. There was discussion about whether to wash the stones or wait. A decision was made to wait one more year and revisit this issue.

Agenda - New Business:

1. **Amendment was proposed to bylaws** to reduce the number of board members from nine to seven. Residents voted on this and the vote was in favor of reduction.
2. New members are needed to fill vacant spots on the ACC. Sarah Adams and Jim Prochaska volunteered to fill the positions.
3. Street signs: Several residents expressed interest in installing stone signs at the corners of major intersections. Many of the original wooden signs are in disrepair. A suggestion was made that the street names be engraved rather than made with metal to avoid theft. An additional suggestion was made to place the Foxfire logo (or at least part of it) on the stone. All agreed that these signs, if installed, should match the already existing signs at the entrances of Foxfire. Sarah Adams suggested a sign committee. Micah asked for volunteers, and Sarah Adams volunteered.
4. Neighborhood security cameras: Micah informed residents that this was his idea and that it was his hope that security cameras would give the impression of a safe neighborhood and "push crime away." If installed, these cameras would be license plate cameras. Micah checked prices on several options.

Questions from residents:

- Has this plan been taken to college Station Police Department? No.
- Do we have crime statistics? Micah shared some research from other cities illustrating benefits of security cameras.
- What is the cost? There will be costs for ongoing internet connections as well as the initial setup. Installation for all four entrances would be in the range of \$8,000-\$12,000.

Two concerns from two residents:

- We don't need to know the comings and goings of our neighbors. Perhaps we should consider a system where residents do not have access to the camera footage.
- A resident suggested that we ask College Station Police to present the pros and cons of neighborhood security cameras to Foxfire residents. The new board will discuss this and perhaps contact CSPD about the possibility of such a meeting.

Additional Items:

1. Deer: A resident expressed concern about the increasing number of deer in Foxfire. A suggestion was made that we go back to CSPD and ask them to involve Parks and Wildlife and consider increasing the number of hunting permits in the surrounding area. An additional suggestion was made to conduct another count of the deer in the neighborhood. Micah will contact the police department.
2. A resident asked for advice on electric and energy conservation. One resident suggested solar panels and shared her positive experience with them.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45.

A brief meeting of the new Board was conducted immediately after the meeting to elect officers.

President: Micah Flippen
Vice President: Mathew Vaughan
Treasurer: Wayne Williams
Secretary: Richard Spiller
Susan Edmisson will continue as Special Appointee to the Board.