

# OHMHA Board Meeting

## MINUTES

March 10, 2009  
7:30pm

Location: Thurston Elementary School

Board Attendance at start (quorum achieved): JC, WC, SB, HB, AK, GJ, MW (departed after item 12), PM, DS, EE (arrived after item 3)

Guest Attendance: None.

1. Call to order by Jack Cederquist at 7:33pm

2. Approval of Agenda – Jack

Conclusion: Agenda approved without Fall Festival report item. Motion by Stuart, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Henry, All approved.

Next Action: None

3. Approval of January 13, 2009 meeting minutes

Conclusion: Minutes approved without change. Motion by Wendy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Stuart, All approved.

Next Action: None

<< *Board member EE arrived* >>

4. Treasurer's Report – Wendy

Conclusion: Currently 151 paid members, and \$285 dues and donations since the last report.

Next Action: None

5. Planning update: Plymouth Mall, zoning changes – Wendy

Conclusion: The city will create a new committee for zoning and land use changes that will have representatives from each ward.

Next Action: JC will email Stephen Rapundalo to express interest in OHMHA participation. (Note: several Board members noted support for Wendy to represent OHMHA in this matter.)

6. Neighborhood Watch – Stuart

Conclusion: Neighborhood Watch is run independently of OHMHA by the City.

Next Action: OHMHA Board members that receive the Neighborhood Watch email may forward it to the residents if an incident occurs locally.

7. Burbank Entrance – Anita

Conclusion: One evergreen was run over by a car and replanted, but it is dying and needs to be replaced.

Next Action: MW/PM will consider an appropriate planting by Fall 2009.

8. Lawn Treatment – Jack

Conclusion: PM submitted a motion for fertilizer and broadleaf weed control 3x per year. MW 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, Approved 9-1 with SB opposed.

Details: Much discussion about the pros and cons of fertilizer and weed control.

Next Action: WC will contract with TruGreen for this year, but the Board will continue to discuss alternative options.

9. Taxes and 501(c)4 – Pete

Conclusion: Pete will submit the application after a Board officer signs the forms.

Next Action: Change bank account SSN when federal Tax ID number is assigned to OHMHA.

10. Spring Garage Sale – Jack

Conclusion: Garage Sale date is May 16 at 9am.

Next Action: Jack place ad in Ann Arbor News and send emails to residents list.

11. Next Newsletter – Jack

Conclusion: Next newsletter in mid May in time for garage sale reminder.

Details: Topic ideas: Neighborhood watch, weed control poll, garage sale, budget and ballot, Campbells soup labels and box tops, Ward 2 zoning representative.

Next Action: Coordinate article writing by email.

12. Revisit Fall Festival – Margie

Conclusion: Margie submitted a list of Fall Festival suggestions to the Board for review.

<< *Board member MW depart* >>

13. Possible audit – Jack

Conclusion: None.

Details: Much discussion about the necessity and ramifications regarding an audit of the OHMHA records.

Comments were made about the minimal amount of interest earned on accounts, the 2-signature check writing system to prevent embezzlement, and that dues are voluntary. It was speculated that the cost of an audit would be the same if it was done proactively by the Board or reactively to an outside challenge.

Next Action: Wendy contact Sandy Rice about performing unofficial 3<sup>rd</sup> party audit of OHMHA books

14. Round Robin

a. Wendy – neighbor complaint about car in backyard

b. Emily – neighbor complaint about sidewalks on Nixon (will email Stephen Rapundalo)

c. Stuart – will ask Anita Jones about a nominating committee

d. Greg – neighborhood child collecting newspaper plastic bags

e. Dan – resigning from the Board effective immediately (time conflicts in preparing for arrival of first child)

i. Email list to Wendy

ii. Webpage to Anne

iii. Meeting minutes: 3/10 by Dan, Future to be decided

15. Adjournment at 8:58pm (Motion – Pete, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Stuart, All approved.)