

**Angus Valley Area Neighborhood Association**

**Minutes of the Board**

**Held on September 12, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. at the Millwood Library**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Discuss</b>	<b>Activity</b>
0	Call to Order & Attendance		The meeting was called to order by President John Baylor at 7:00 p.m. Board Members in attendance: Brad Arndt, Dennis Barnes, John Baylor, David Brown, Sheridan Foster, Chuck Pace, Rod Reames and Lori Yuja & Jim Lorange. Absent: Harry Lundell & Kimberly Parker
1	Introduction of Guests		Guest(s) in attendance: Mary & Ward Boyce; Roger Barnes & Judy Poole, all AVANA residents
2	Review of Minutes of Prior Meeting		The Minutes of the Prior Meeting were distributed and reviewed. Rod Reames moved to accept the Minutes as presented, which was seconded by Lori Yuja. With no discussion, the motion carried.
3	Finance Report		The Finance Report was presented by Jim Lorange, who indicated that the beginning balance as of July 31, 2007 was \$1,111.29 with revenue of membership contributions of \$130.00 resulting in Total of \$1,241.29 Cash Available. Expenses were reported for the Annual Membership Due to Austin Neighborhoods Council of \$35.00 resulting in a Cash Balance on Hand of \$ 1,206.29 (which includes \$25.00 in the Petty Cash Funds of September 12, 2007. Sheridan Foster moved to accept the report as presented; a second was made by Rod Reames. With no discussion, the motion carried.
<b>Old Business:</b>			
4	Committee Reports:		<u>Traffic &amp; Safety:</u> There was no formal report; however there was discussion regarding pedestrian safety and it was noted that

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			<p>panhandlers on Duval Rd are not legally permitted to step into the street. Further, there was discussion regarding safety issues at the intersection of West Cow Path and Duval at heavy traffic periods. In addition, there was discussion regarding the past failed attempts to have 2 left turn lanes at the intersection of Duval and frontage road to enter 183 south bound. This is recognized as a long term goal for AVANA.</p> <p><u>Crime and Interface with APD</u>: Chuck Pace reported that he attended the last Commander's Forum and learned that while overall crime was reported as being down in the community, graffiti reports were up in the 78759 zip code. Chuck indicated one could call 311 to report graffiti.</p> <p><u>Park</u>: Brad Arndt reported that he had talked to Max Moore regarding scheduling a clean up day for the park concentrating on the park past the end of Mustang Chase before he learned of the construction of the barricade at the end of Mustang Chase. John Baylor reported that it was his understanding that the barricade was constructed at the request of an individual to the Street and Bridge Division of the City of Austin.</p> <p><u>Code Issues</u>: Dennis Barnes presented a revised draft letter notifying a resident of a confirmed code violation and requesting the violation be brought into compliance for review. Chuck Pace moved to accept the letter and Lori Yuga seconded the motion. After a moderate amount of discussion Chuck Pace amended his motion for the letter to extend the time from 3 to 7 days for weed and grass height violations to be brought into compliance. The amended motion received a second by Lori Yuja. Without further discussion, the motion carried.</p> <p>The question was raised by a guest as to how the decision to issue such a letter is made. The response was provided by several Board Members who indicated that such issues are handled in a couple of</p>

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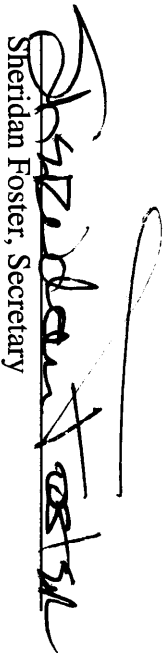
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			<p>different ways. Possible violations are presented at regularly scheduled Board meetings along with current photos of the possible violation. The Board then reviews the information determines whether action is advisable. Between regularly scheduled Board Meetings, a special meeting could be called or the Board can act upon consent without a meeting, usually through email communications to all Board Members.</p> <p>The topic of deed restrictions in our community was raised. The members of the Board indicated an interest in becoming better informed on the restrictions currently in effect and the process of creating deed restrictions. David Brown indicated that he would research the subject and present the information at the next meeting.</p> <p><u>Long Term Issues:</u> No Report was given</p> <p><u>Liaison to Other Neighborhoods:</u> No report was given.</p> <p><u>Liaison to Davis Elementary:</u> No report was given.</p> <p><u>Social:</u> No report was given</p> <p><u>Communication - Newsletter:</u> Lori Yuja presented the recommendations of the committee which was comprised of Lori Yuja, Dennis Barnes &amp; Sheridan Foster regarding the amount and content of advertising in the <i>Angus Valley Advocate</i>. The recommendations were:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Keep the newsletter at its current size of four pages, unless neighborhood issues require more space to inform the</li> </ol>

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5	Correspondence/Notices from the City		John Baylor passed along a couple of pieces of correspondence from the City of Austin to Dennis Barnes.
6	New Business: Austin Neighborhood Council – Membership Information		John Baylor reported that AVANA had successfully joined the Austin Neighborhood Council (ANC) and indicated that AVANA can post information on the ANC website about ANANA.

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7	Appointment of nominating Committee for 2008 Officers		John Baylor requested a volunteer to head up the nominating committee for 2008 Officers. Jim Lorraine volunteered to head up the committee.
8	Other Items		Lori Yuja informed the Board that a vehicle located at 12403 Mustang Chase had recently been broken into and that the tools inside the vehicle had been stolen. She cautioned the group to be sure to lock their vehicles. Chuck Pace indicated this specific activity was reported as the most common event reported on at the Commander's Forum meetings and reinforced the need for vehicle security in the community.
	Adjournment		There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.



Sheridan Foster, Secretary

Dated: Oct 15, 2007

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