# MINUTES THE GARDENS of CASTLEGATE OWNERS 'ASSOCIATION Board of Directors Meeting Tuesday, November 14, 2023

#### Call to order 5:02 PM

## Establishment of quorum

President: Justin David, JR, Jack, Shonda via phone

### **Review/acceptance of minutes**

Secretary, Shonda

Minutes from email meeting July 26, 2023 Emailed on August 1, 2023, for review and approval – Motion to approve by JR and second by Jack – approved.

#### Treasurer, Tom

Review of Financial Reports 3rd Quarter Comparison Report review questions Moved to approve by Jack and second by JR – approved.

#### Management report

Neighborhood Partners, Sandie

- Review A/R Billed \$60,900 Balance due \$0
- Calendar 2024 Sandie made a recommendation to meet in limited months (3 X a year April, September, and October), and other months meet via email and approve.
- Resident Property Status 29 Residents - 25 Weekend – 3 Rentals - 1 2305 Scotney
- New Residents none

#### **Committees Reports**

ARC Committee – no updates

Hospitality – continuing

Lake & Lighting – no updates, breaker has tripped a few times.

Landscape - ongoing review and

Social – Halloween Christmas party date and details should be announced soon.

\*Questions – budgets and list was not available after the annual meeting.

\*Recommendation to combine and reduce to 3 committees, and define more clearly what each will be focused on:

- 1. Lake, Lighting, and Landscape
- 2. Social and Hospitality
- 3. ARC

#### **Finished Business**

Annual Meeting

Suggestion box:

- Monthly book club
- Progressive Dinner
- Cookie Exchange
- Chat and wine by the lake in the evening
- Fantasy Football
- Pressure wash and clean all white stone, sidewalks, etc
- Replace dead trees

Detailed understanding of the lawn services.

## **Unfinished Business**

Green Teams Discussion -

- Need to make a decision on what to do. Discussion about concerns and communication with Green Teams. Sandie will communicate with the organization about how concerns are shared and responded to. Tabled for this meeting.
- Pavers on the exit side of the entrance are still holding water after rain and irrigation.
   Discussion on recommendations and potential solutions. Drain will likely be the best solution.
   We can take care of this ourself JR will coordinate.
- Table discussion today: GT Proposal 4244244 for Relandscaping Entrance, Exit, Median and Island Irrigation – bid is nearly \$14K for the shift to a drip system; and GT Proposal 4244244 Diagram – total is \$34K
- Call box key needed, contacted Brenham last contact 11/5 and they said that they will drop
  off. Resent request today. Need to get model number, replace the LED Justin will take
  the key to Kade to look into it.

## **New Business**

2024 Proposed Budget: reviewed and made adjustments where anticipated work needs to be added. Will make landscaping decisions in January. Motion to approve made by JR, and second by Jack – approved.

## Adjournment 6:16PM