# High Pointe North Homeowners Association Meeting Minutes June 9, 2008

Bill Mahoney called the meeting to order.

Bob Arnold took roll call.

In attendance:
Bill Mahoney – President
Bill Richardson – Vice-President
Andrea Conti – Treasurer
Bob Arnold – Secretary
John Endres – Director
Carl Baisden – Director
Rachel Dixon – Director
Eugene Hayes – Director

#### 1. Minutes Review:

Bob Arnold asked if there were any changes needed on the minutes from the May 12, 2008 meeting. All agreed that they were ok, Bill Mahoney to post on the HPN web site.

### 2. Report of the Treasurer:

Andrea Conti handed out the updated Treasurers Report. The current account balance is \$36,393.22.

To date we have 88 homeowners that have paid their association dues leaving 45 unpaid.

Bill Mahoney gave Andrea Conti the current electric bill which in turn brought up questions from John Endres about the late fee of \$9.40 last month. Bill Mahoney noted that he had just forgotten to mail the payment and even offered to pay the late fee which nobody felt was necessary. It was suggested that Andrea also have access to the post office box to help insure that the bills are being paid on time and no late charges are incurred. All agreed. Bill to get Andrea a key.

Bill Mahoney also noted that he needs a check from Andrea today to send in for the No Trespassing signs.

Bob Arnold turned in receipts totaling \$102.08 for copies, the new T-post on the Yard of the Month sign, and the No Soliciting signs.

#### 3. Pond Maintenance:

Bill Mahoney noted that he had talked with Earth Services and confirmed their quotes for the pond maintenance and the installation of the fountains. We are still waiting to hear what the cost of hooking up the electricity would be.

Eugene Hayes spoke up and noted that he was not in agreement with our vote to retain Earth Services for lawn maintenance. Eugene does not feel that they do a very good job and wants us to look at other companies like Jim Zingarelli with Ashlee Environmental Services.

Much conversation was had on the matter by all, but as pointed out by Bill Richardson we did our due diligence on getting pricing and comparing services. Our decision to stay with Earth Services was based on the best value for the money while being cost conscious.

From this conversation a motion was made that we retain the services of a sprinkler company to check and repair the irrigation system. All voted by a count of 8-0 to procure three quotes.

## 4. Attorney:

Carl Baisden has met with two attorneys but only has a schedule of charges from one so far. Carl noted that there are pros and cons to each and that he's on the fence as to whom he would recommend at this point. Carl did note that they both charge by the hour and that in the quote their costs and fees would need to be paid upfront. That attorney did tell Carl that he would work with us in trying to keep costs to a minimum. All agreed that before we could make a decision that we would have to get the fee schedule from the other attorney.

Discussion was had as to what we should do about the current list of violators that ignore our letters. Bob Arnold made a motion that we continue to send letters but send a letter now noting that the next letter would be from an attorney and that all costs and fees would also become the responsibility of the homeowner. All voted and by a margin of 8-0 voted to send a letter with stronger verbiage.

#### 5. Annual Meeting:

Bill Mahoney noted that we needed to start discussing our annual meeting that needs to be held in August. Details of the meeting need to be firmed up, posted on the web site, and letters delivered to all homeowners.

Discussion was had by all on what the details of the meeting should include. It was decided that everyone needs to send in their suggestions via e-mail thus allowing an agenda to start coming together.

#### 6. Code Enforcement:

Carl Baisden noted that he did not have anything new on Code Enforcement. Discussion was had though by all about enforcement of the By-Laws and Covenants.

# 7. Neighborhood Watch:

Eugene Hayes noted that he needs to contact the three Block Captains that still owe their homeowners dues. All are in agreement that if you are going to be a Block Captain then yours dues must be current and no violations are had.

Bob Arnold asked Eugene to prepare an updated list of Block Captains and their contact information.

## 8. Open Forum:

- A. Bill Mahoney: Nothing.
- B. John Endres: John noted that we were supposed to only have a few minutes to speak during the Open Forum, as there is too much rambling going on.
- C. Bill Richardson: Bill brought up the fact that the inside of the subdivision looks worse than the outside. Specifically, yards with overgrown grass and weeds are a problem.
- D. Carl Baisden: Carl reminded Bill Mahoney to contact Earth Services about our complaints.
- E. Rachel Dixon: Rachel noted that she's glad to see the No Soliciting signs up.
- F. Bob Arnold: Bob spoke about the beautification of the front entrance this Saturday and asked all to help. Bob will post a note on all doors asking the neighborhood for their help.
- G. Andrea Conti: Andrea abruptly left the meeting during the Open Forum.
- H. Eugene Hayes: Eugene noted that he appreciates Carl's efforts in trying to retain an attorney.

#### 9. Yard of the Month:

All present voted 2681 Porter Street as the Yard of the Month. Sign to be presented on Saturday.

#### 10. Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be on July 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm, Bill Richardson to host.

11. Adjournment:
Bill Mahoney made a motion that the meeting be adjourned. All agreed.