MISTLETOE HEIGHTS NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING

November 9th, 2021

7:00-8:30 PM

Venue: Zoom Meeting

Officers:

President: Mark Philpot

Vice President: Corey Bearden Treasurer: Jeri Jo Blackmon Newsletter: Chloe Stern Secretary: Val Ewing

Residents: 11

CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 pm



OFFICER REPORTS:

President Mark Philpot anticipates a year of engagement for our neighborhood. We may have hybrid meetings that are in-person and remote.

Treasurer: Jeri Jo Blackmon displayed financials. The bank balance is \$23,235. Of that, \$6000 has been committed to the historic book. Currently, we are \$5000 less than where we were two years ago. Dues donations this year are \$4000, much less than where we typically are by this time. Of the 500 homes and families in Mistletoe Heights, only 40 have donated this year. That is 8% of the neighborhood contributing. **DUES: please mail your check payable to:**Mistletoe Heights Association, 1408 Mistletoe Drive, Fort Worth, TX 76110

Or PayPal: http://www.mistletoeheights.org/dues.html

OLD BUSINESS:

TEXRail: Claudia Camp/Mark Philpot. A steering committee* has been created by Mike Brennan to work with consultants in planning the station and transit oriented development (TOD). Last week a meeting discussed lighting, sound, and architecture. The major sound component to trains is the horns; however, there is a federal requirement for newer engines to be quieter. There will not be a sound wall. Another concern is increased traffic into our neighborhood and the "flow" of traffic. Trinity Metro reports this is not their jurisdiction; therefore, the steering committee will address this. Parking for the station will be located on the east side of Jerome. A public meeting is next week. Question: will this station affect our home values? Mark Philpot commented that for urban owners preferring transportation, Mistletoe Heights' home values would increase. For those wanting a more quiet country life, it may eliminate buyers wanting to live here; however, those people may also object to the activity we currently have, i.e., helicopters, zoo traffic, traffic noise.

Newsletter update: Chloe Stern is preparing the newsletter for release. Jim Peipert has pictures of the movie production event that occurred in a MH home and some will be added.

Mistletoe Heights Historic Book Update: Tom Richey reports 192 stories in the book with 175 houses. The book is currently in the review stage. Conversations with publishers have presented a timeline delay. Page count is >650 pages without art and there are thousands of art elements to be considered.

Atmos Construction: if you have concerns, please contact Sam Ayala: 214-316-4517. Samuel.ayala@atmosenergy.com

Lily B Donation: Last year MHA donated \$650. Motion to donate \$700, seconded with vote approving donation.

NEW BUSINESS:

Officer Elections: All Officers have agreed to remain in their current positions for next year. Tom Richey made a motion to retain current officers; seconded with vote of approval.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for committees:

- 1. Committee to review bylaws and compare with other neighborhood association bylaws to determine ways to improve our voluntary association.
- 2. Website committee: we need volunteers to assist in website renovation, redesign, advertising to improve income. Our current webmaster, Scott Ewing, offered oversight of the committee when created.

*Steering Committee:

City of FW: Council Member Elizabeth Beck, Dana Burghdoff Assistant City Manager, Randy Hutcheson Manager Urban Design.

Baylor Scott and White: Mike Sanborn CEO, Charles Shelborne, Real Estate.

Mistletoe Heights Association: Claudia Camp TEXRail Committee chair, Mark Philpot MHA President.

Near Southside, Inc: Mike Brennan President, Allison Docker Urban Design and Placemaking. Trinity Metro: Bob Baulsir CEO, Chad Edwards Vice President of Planning & Development.

Meeting adjourned 8:35pm