

Minutes of WMHA Board of Directors Meeting December 2008

Because of holiday activity there was no face-to-face Board of Directors meeting in December but an electronic meeting was conducted via email. The following topics were discussed over several days' time via email.

Dwayne Duke and Bill Lokken met with Huntsville Utilities on Tuesday Dec. 2 to discuss improvements to the water tower lot and the power station lots. We walked over the lots with the supervisor who runs their landscape crews. They have agreed to most of our requests including sprinklers, shrubs and grass. They will pay for all the improvements and will allow us to help design them. In the end, we will pay for maintenance and operation of the lots....water, power, cutting and trimming. A few days ago they planted some evergreens in front of the power station on Airport Road. It is only a small part of the work we asked for there. We encouraged HSV Utilities to start now doing the things that can be done in the winter like clearing, grading, sprinkler installation and power & water connections. Then, when it warms up, the bushes and sod can be installed.

The holiday party is coming together and should be fun. The Social Committee, mainly Kim Holland and Cindy Roberts have been the prime movers in handling the logistics. At this point, we may have as many as 70 attendees. That would be nearly double the attendance of past events and that, to me, indicates the beginning of a unification of neighbors on the Mountain. The party will give everyone a chance to meet the Association volunteers who are making it happen. A second party for kids is planned which will be another opportunity for neighbors to get together.

We are nearing the time for Annual Dues. Mailing labels are ready.

We need to finalize our 2009 budget based on the year-end figures for 2008. We will put together the next cut of that in the next few weeks. We need the summarized Nov and Dec expenditures soon.

We have the names of the 2 people who purchased the 2 lots owned by Judi Holden (95 and 96). The Griffin house on Ashe was sold and we know the new owner there. I think those are the only 3 ownership changes in the recent past. The ARC is on the leading edge of processing house plans for the Rawlinsons on the corner of Springhouse and Colewood but they don't actually have the paperwork yet.

Our sprinkler system on the Common Area has been shut down and winterized. Open pipes were buried and water drained as best possible. Hopefully we won't get much freezing but I expect to lose a few sprinkler heads.

We should be thinking about what flowers to have planted in the spring by Awesome Cutt.

Did we get the policy for our liability insurance (yes)?

Maureen Lokken
WMHA Secretary