

Vista Mesa Homeowners Association, Inc
Annual Meeting Minutes
November 7, 2013
Location: Colorado Springs Fire Station 14

1. Call to Order: Steve Houston delayed calling the meeting to order in anticipation of the arrival of a Board member carrying additional proxies that were needed in order to establish quorum.
Meeting called to order at 6:30
2. Quorum was established. Very difficult to make quorum.
3. Introduction of Board Members and Committee Chairs: Steve Houston introduced the members of the Board: present were Steve Houston, President; Kurt Nelson, Vice President-ACC Committee Chair; Mike Stroud, Treasurer; Porty Roth, Member at Large. Carlene Roth, Neighborhood Watch. Also present: Kristie McKitterick from Balanced Bookkeeping & Community Association Management.
4. Neighborhood Watch Presentation-Carlene Roth, Neighborhood Watch Coordinator
 - a. Police presence in neighborhood for speeding and running stop signs. NW gets reports from police department. In neighborhood 7-9 am or 4-6 pm. Active conversation from neighbors (pros and cons).
 - b. An uptick in thefts out of vehicles during Christmas season- at malls and in neighborhoods.
 - c. A white van noticed driving through neighborhood.
5. Secretary's Report-Meeting Minutes – A motion from the floor was made to approve 2012's annual meeting minutes; motioned seconded; motion carried.
6. President's Report-
 - a. Annual Garage Sale-No more Mother's Day. Keeping same day-second weekend of May as long as it doesn't fall on Mother's Day
 - b. Dumpsters-Week before Memorial Day weekend. Neighbors getting better about not overfilling.
 - c. Police presence-at request of neighbors and out of need to stop speeding complaints, police presence was brought in. Knowing that expenses would be lower due to water restrictions, it was a trial to see if police presence would be a deterrent. Many stops/tickets were conducted for running stop signs. Speeding was not as much of a problem. 2014 Board would determine whether to keep police presence going based on budget numbers.
 - d. Water shortage-first part of summer was bad but overall, most neighbors made a great effort to keeping their yards looking nice.
7. Treasurer's Report-No questions to budget.
 - a. Mike gave the financial report. General discussion about budget. Budget was motioned and approved for 2014.

8. New Business-Election of Homeowner Board Member
 - a. Kurt Nelson and Carlene Roth were elected to Board for two year terms. Porty Roth is removed from the Board.
9. New Business-Request from Board to decrease the number of required votes/proxies to establish quorum at annual meetings per the current Vista Mesa By-Laws. The Board presented to the members the efforts that are made annually to establish the current 30% quorum (86 total votes) needed in order to hold the meeting and conduct business requiring quorum. Every year, the number of mailed in or received proxies prior to the Annual Meeting falls far short of the required minimum. Board members are asked the day or two before the meeting, to canvas the neighborhood to have residents/owners sign proxies so that a quorum can be reached. It is almost always required annually to get an additional 20+ proxies signed up to the night of the meeting. The 2013 meeting was no different and in fact was not opened until a Board member could make it to the meeting after getting proxies.

A motion was made to proceed with a vote to amend the Bylaws by lowering the quorum percentage from 30% of the homes in Vista Mesa to 15% of the homes. No one present objected to considering that matter, and so the motion was seconded, the proposed amendment was approved by a vote of 100% of those present.

Drawing

- ◆ A drawing for two \$50.00 gift certificates was held for members who attended the meeting:
6244 Gemfield/4430 Dynasty Dr.
- ◆ A drawing for two \$50.00 gift certificates was held for members who sent in proxies:

Question and Answer period:

Driveway Repairs-A neighbor reported that it is possible to work through the city to get assistance in replacing sidewalk. Category B problems can get up to 50/50 agreement with city but it took over 6 months.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:36 pm.