

Minutes

Meadow Crest Estates Board Meeting

July 30, 2009; 7:00pm

Location; Pat Cruse's home

Minutes taken by Richard Bach

Attendees:

Jim Troyer, President

Pat Cruse, Vice President

Richard Bach, Secretary Treasurer

Ed Walker, At Large Board Member

Judi Lazerus, At Large Board Member

Chong Na (Johnny), owner of shopping center's new restaurant / reception facility business (formerly the "theater").

Agenda:

- Discuss with Johnny the new shopping center restaurant /reception facility with respect to the neighborhood.
- New committees
- Guidelines for sending out crime reports and other messages to the mailing list

Discussion of New Restaurant/ Reception Facility with Chong Na (Johnny)

The MENA board met with Johnny, the owner of the restaurant / reception facility to address neighborhood concerns. The major concerns were building a wall or fence behind the shopping center to prevent foot traffic into the neighborhood, lighting behind the shopping center and security provided by the business to prevent incidents in the neighborhood. These items are important especially considering the late weekend hours (2am closing). Johnny told the board that a Mr. Wang, from Hawaii, just purchased the other part of the shopping center. He is open to doing something about a wall but he must work with Mr. Wang who he hadn't met yet. He will also work to see that the lighting behind the shopping gets fixed or turned on. Johnny says he will have security guards on duty on weekends and big gatherings. Overall, the board was satisfied with Johnny's answers, his business plans and willingness to work with the neighborhood. Jim took the action to inform Councilman Darren Lathen there is no need to delay approval of the specific use permit by the city council.

New Committee

The three new subcommittees the board has proposed were discussed. Judi Lazerus will chair the Infrastructure Committee and Pat Cruse will chair the Beautification Committee. A chair for the National Night Out Committee is still needed.

It was decided that instead of holding the block party on Tuesday evening of the Texas National Night Out, that the block party will be held on a Saturday in October. The name of the activity

will be changed to a "Fall Festival". Finding a chair and getting started on the planning is urgent since it is only two months away.

Pat Cruse took an action to draft descriptions for each committee. The board members are to review the descriptions and provide feedback before the descriptions are sent to the general members.

Mailing List Crime Report Guidelines

Jim said we need guidelines for sending out crime reports and other messages to the mailing list. For crime reports, the guidelines should include permission from the crime victim that it is OK to publish the incident and the event must be actionable (i.e. neighbors can take steps to prevent similar incidents). Pat Cruse is to draft guidelines for the board to approve.

The board agreed lost pet reports are suitable for the mailing list and will be published as quickly as possible.

The meeting adjourned at 9pm

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