

Minutes of Meeting of Board of Directors
of
Fox Chase Boulevard Median Foundation, INC
March 2, 2016

The board of directors of Fox Chase Boulevard Median Foundation, INC held an annual meeting on March 2, 2016, at 9:30AM at the home of Bob Walters.

The following directors, constituting a quorum of the full board, were present at the meeting:

Robert Walters

Chris Naese

Todd Henning

The following directors were absent:

None

Chairpersons present:

Lynne Hepler – Communications

Treasurer Report

Todd presented a financial review and reports. Highlights:

- Foundation cash is \$14266.74 at the date of the meeting
- \$2000 will be allocated to Tree Grove fund for the year. This fund has been established for future expenditures to replace groupings of trees in the median.
- Donations from individuals similar to last year.
- Donation from Aintree came in early 2016 this year
- Donation level adequate to cover normal median maintenance expenses now that major landscaping finished. Enough reserves to cover watering or removal increase if needed
- Budget includes 2000 for mulch this year and incorporates maintenance services of 5480 quoted by Sitarz Landscape and Maintenance (same rate as 2015 season).
- Budget changes Aintree contribution to 2000

Todd presented findings on what is acceptable on the 'Pay to the order of' line of checks from donors:

- It has been noted that writing the full name of the foundation on a check is burdensome for donors
- Bank employees claim the full name is need
- Filing Assumed name paperwork with the state will cost \$30 / year to adopt a shorter legal name for donors to put on checks
- Fox Chase BLVD was proposed by Chris as additional name
- The topic was tabled as Chris said he would pose the question to contacts he has in the banking industry

Ongoing Business

Mulch:

- Mulch will be done this year and spread by Sitarz
- Timing will be dependent upon when free mulch available from the city
- Mulch should be added to the budget as separate line item and budgeted biannually

The budget was reviewed and approved by the board.

Chris mentioned that photos of median before the foundation became involved would be good to have on website. This will increase awareness of history of median for new homeowners. Bob will be doing this.

Replacements this year:

- Roses
- Perennials at two locations will be replaced with Purple Geraniums
- Dwarf Forsythia may be next for replacement as it is not thriving

Donation Letter / Timing:

- Will get out mid – late April as this is good time for various reasons
- Lynne will draft letter
- Add acknowledgment of Connie, new dates of brush pickup
- Will ask for \$25 again this year
- Bob will continue to use process he has developed to print and produce envelopes
- Bob will solicit help with manual labor of mailing if need

Meeting with city:

- Bob will set up to keep a dialog going on foundation issues
- Need to interface with new city managers

- Ongoing tree replacement discussion
- Brush dumping

Brush dumping:

- Still occurring on Bridle
- City has been picking up on a one off basis
- Ordinance has changed – now a fine to dump
- Bob is trying to get city to write letters and send to homeowners
- Proposed letter would be signed by city and foundation

Lighting:

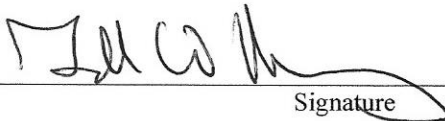
- Chris briefed foundation on moonscape lighting replacements at entrance
- Horse statue light has bad wiring and park district will fix later in spring
- Chris was recognized for the work done to coordinate additional street lighting to entrance at Dunham

Governance

Election of Officers

Election of Vice President: Chris Naese nominated, seconded, no further nominations, vote called, elected unanimously.

Dated: 3/13/16



Signature

Todd Henning, Treasurer / Secretary