## Meeting Minutes Winter Park Highlands Association Board of Directors April 24, 2014

Meeting came to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Present**: Bill Tetlow (President), Scott Ledin (Vice President), Judy Bertolli, Charlie Bouchard, and Peter Van Veen (Secretary and by phone). **Absent**: Lynette Teichman (Treasurer, but she gave her proxy to Bill), Maura McKnight, Jeffery Kean, and John Smith. **Quorum**: Established.

Agenda: Motion approved to accept the agenda.

Approval of Minutes: Approved minutes of the February 13, 2014 meeting.

**Treasurer's Report**: We have \$27,164 in our cash accounts. We have 143 members paid to date in 2014 representing roughly \$14,000 in dues. We have more members than the same time last year. A big driver is that folks want to participate in the trash program. In 2013, we had 184 members by year end. The online forms and payment system are working well. Judy asked whether we have a mechanism to thank folks when they pay dues or welcome new members. We agreed that we should do a better job on this and will implement it with the new Board.

Mike Braddy is keeping metrics in his reports. 46% of our homeowners are primary residents. The County average is roughly 20%.

Approved motion to receive the treasurer's report.

Committee Reports: No committee reports.

## **Information Items:**

**Member's Only section:** We had a discussion of what information should be in the "members only" section of the website, including the GIS information. Motion was made and carried to have the GIS information on the public area of the website. We agreed to ask the membership at the annual meeting whether to make the GIS contact information public. Brant will make a presentation at the annual meeting and explain the GIS information to the members.

**National Wildfire Preparation Day:** National Wildfire Preparation Day is on May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Currently, we have 12 volunteers to fix the address signs and affix the tags to show payment of current membership dues.

## Old Business:

**Grand Foundation Donations via Pay Pal link:** We working on a Pay Pal link for charitable donations to go directly to our Donor Advised Fund at the Grand Foundation.

**Trash Enclosure:** Charlie has followed up many times with the Trash Company. The Trash Company is getting bids for a trash enclosure with the idea to have the Trash Company recoup the costs through increased fees. Many more of our members are using this service so there should be more folks to absorb the additional cost. Scott volunteered to solicit additional bids for an enclosure. Other Board members agreed to ask builders who live in the Highlands for bids. There is a trash enclosure at the former 7 Eleven in Winter Park that could be used as a template.

**Asplundh chips:** We received a concern from a homeowner about the placement of some wood chips on her property at Elk Park. Asplundh agreed to fix the issue.

**Red Gate Access Issue:** At our last meeting the Board approved \$5,000 for litigation costs and to file a lawsuit to keep access open to the red gate. After that meeting, Rod Johnson, the County Sheriff, sent us an e-mail indicating that the County would not criminally prosecute anyone for walking on CR 8514. Separately, the Grand County Attorney sent us a letter stating that while CR 8514 was not a County road, the public may have a right to use the road based on historic use. Based on these new developments, the Board decided to not file a lawsuit at this time, but reserve the right to do so based on future developments. The Board approved the sending of an informational letter to our members and a separate cover letter to the EEOE property owner's attorney.

**June 28, 2014 Annual Meeting:** We will send an e-mail blast with notice 30 days in advance of the June 28, 2014 Annual meeting. Peter will draft the notice. Judy agreed to coordinate the food purchases. Scott will try to borrow some shade tents.

**Newsletter:** We have been using the website as the primary tool to disseminate information. We will send out the cover page of the website to alert members as to the information on the website. We will no longer send out the newsletter and put information on the website instead.

**Possible Dues Increase:** The Board discussed the pros and cons of increasing the dues. A motion was made and approved to propose an increase to \$125 (an additional \$2 a month) and will ask the membership to vote on it at the annual meeting.

Tank Two: We tabled this discussion until Jeffery returns from Europe.

**New Board Members:** Bill is up for reelection. Jeffery is not seeking reelection. Lynette is term limited. Maura is moving out of the Highlands. The Board discussed possible candidates.

**Bulletin Board:** Maura sent Bill the design of a bulletin Board being used by Headwaters Trail Alliance is being built for \$1,100.00. The Board approved the construction of a bulletin board to be located within the 60 foot county easement (20 feet off the road). Bill will work with the County for approvals.

**Mike Braddy:** The Board discussed and wants to acknowledge all the hard word Mike Braddy has been doing on the membership database, signs, and many other issues. Thank you Mike!

**Next Meeting Date**: The next Board meeting is on June 12, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at Bill Tetlow's house. Motion to adjourn made, seconded and carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

Peter Van Veen