

Tollgate Association
Minutes of March 7, 2009 Board Meeting

Date and Time: March 7, 2009 at 9:00 am

Location: 109 Tollgate Way (Ehmer residence)

Attending: Bob Donaldson, Eric Kirschner, Philippe Casteuble, Garry Sauner, and Paul Ehmer

1. February 2009 Board minutes approved with minor edits.
2. Treasurer's Report (Bob D.) -- All homeowners have paid 2009 dues. Two homeowners have paid half year dues. Current net worth is \$33,968. Cash flow for January was -\$223.
3. Architecture Committee (Garry S.) – No report.
4. Landscape (Garry S.) – Garry S. indicated there are new holes in the grassy area in between the parking pads of #114 and #116 and suggested a professional pest exterminator be contacted to look into this matter. Tony D'Erme approached Bob D. with two items: a.) he would like to replace the bushes in front of his house with yews and b.) he would like a sign placed in front of Tollgate to identify our neighborhood (i.e., similar to that in front of Wren's Way). Garry S. suggested placing some lettering on the gazebo identifying the entrance of Tollgate. Bob D. suggested that we hang a sign from the gazebo instead of drilling into the brick masonry – the item will be included in the next newsletter.
5. Maintenance Committee (Garry S.) -- The third estimate (from Fair & Square) for the brick re-pointing work was for approximately \$9,500. Garry S. recommended Masonry Specialists – even though the bid was higher than King's Mason, his feeling that the quality of their work appears to be superior. His recommendation was for Tom S. to approach Masonry and attempt to get a lower bid and then proceed with the work. The board agreed with the recommendation. Paul E. emphasized the importance of having the masons correctly match the coloring of the existing brickwork. Bob D. also suggested that he could do the pressure washing and save the Association funds

Garry S. contacted Dominion Electric a number of times regarding the Tollgate light fixtures and they indicated that they could not assist on the repairs. Bob D. contacted IVY Welding who took the spare light and declined to do the work because they were concerned that welding might damage the fixture. Bob D. also bought epoxy to see if that could help stabilize the candelabra. Before using the epoxy, Tom S. and Bob D. intend to stabilize the lamppost bases by repairing the concrete.

6. Tree Committee (Bob D.) -- Nothing new to report.
7. Social Committee -- Ella L. indicated that she was happy to relinquish the role of Social Committee chair after many years of serving as chair. Tracy C., Anki E. and Cindy D. will form the Social Committee and split up the various functions.

8. Old Business – Steve L. moved the car that was previously parked at the end of the street, although he parked his vehicle at an angle and on the grass at times. Paul E. will complete the drafting of November's annual meeting minutes. Garry S. circulated a graphic of the various parking street signs that are available for installation on the north side of Tollgate Way. Garry S. prepared a formal request to the City to restrict parking on the north side of Tollgate Way – a measure discussed at the annual homeowner meeting. The ideal solution is to minimize signage. The Board approved this request. .

The City has not moved the No Parking to Corner sign toward the front of Tollgate yet, but indicated that Tollgate is not authorized to paint the curb or move any street signs itself.

Garry S. indicated that the City has tentatively scheduled Tollgate Way for re-paving between May-September of this year. The City will also do some sidewalk maintenance work on East Broad St. to correct the water drainage problem.

9. New Business -- Garry S. suggested that a newsletter be prepared summarizing some of the requests to the City and to solicit ideas for social events.

The next board meeting will be April 11, 2009, 9 am at #108 Tollgate (Kirschner residence).

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 am.

Submitted by: Eric Kirschner, Secretary