Oak Hill Association of Neighborhoods
Member Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, September 9th, 2009
Austin Community College, Pinnacle Campus 10th Floor
Austin, Texas

Meeting was called to order by President Sandra Baldridge at 7:04 pm.

Member Attendees were:

Circle C Ranch - Russ Hodes
Covered Bridge POA - William Dabbert
G K Beckett Neighborhood - Laura Faulk
Granda Hills - David Richardson
Hill Country Estates HOA - Charlsa Bentley
Legend Oaks 2 - Jim Turney
New Villages of Western Oaks - Dwain Rogers
Oak Acres Neighborhood Assn - Stacie Engeling
Scenic Brook West - Richard McCain
Sendera Owners Assoc - Eric Steen
South Windmill Run - Carol Cespedes
Villages of Shady Hollow - Craig Wojtowicz
Westcreek HOA - Sandy Baldridge
Wyldwood-Kelywood NA - Tom Bryan

Guests:

Texas State Representative 47 Valinda Bolton, Pat Boyt. Rick Perkins, Ann Fowler, Simon Mouer, Jim Schissler, Al StLouis

Speakers:

Olga Seelig, City of Austin Municipal Court Judge, introduced herself and her campaign for Judge in Travis County Court at Law 3 along with the reason she is running for this position.

Rick Perkins from the Oak Hills Trails Association announced the new shirts that were created and are being sold as a fund raiser for the Oak Hill Trials Association.

Jim Turney announced a workday to be held at the Quarry Park on Saturday Sept. 19th where they will refurbish the trails, and remove debris.

Mark Jordan LCRA Manager of River Management Services was introduced by President Sandy. Mr. Jordan shared photos of Lake Travis, Lake Buchanan, and the Pedernales River graphically showing the impact of the current drought. He explained that what we need is some light rain to "prime" the ground, and then the heavy rains to run off and fill the lakes like what happened in 2000. Mr. Jordan explained that it is normal for our area to experience a regular pattern of droughts broken by floods, and he showed a graph of lake levels that illustrated this. He then explained that when compared to regular rainfall, our area has lost about a year of rainfall in the last two years. In 2008 inflows were the lowest on record at 25% of average, and 2009 is on track to be beat that record. Currently we are seeing conditions similar to that of the Drought of Record in 1951. The intervening lakes of Inks, LBJ, and Marble Falls are operational lakes and have to be kept within a certain range for power generation. Even though we have lower lake levels we still have enough water for the critical needs. In order to ensure the "firm" customers have water LCRA has a water management plan that Mr. Jordan went over. He wrapped up his

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presentation by explaining the different programs and websites the LCRA has to raise water awareness. Mr. Jordan then answered questions, and offered to send a copy of his presentation to President Sandy for distribution to the members.

Garner Stoll, Assistant Director of Planning and Development Review Department, was introduced by President Sandy. He provided some history on the Austin Comprehensive Plan what it covers, and what it is for. Mr. Stoll said that they are anticipating a public kickoff of the New Comprehensive Plan in Mid-October. They will then start phase 2 in November and it will take about a year. The third phase that contains the detailed steps will not start until phase two is completed. Mr. Stoll stressed that they need community involvement to make the new plan a success. He then answered questions. When asked if any zoning changes would be made as a result of the Comprehensive Plan he said no. Before he left Mr. Stoll passed out flyers with a web address of: http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/compplan for more information.

State Senator Jeff Wentworth District 25 was welcomed by President Sandy. He explained the watering restrictions in San Antonio. Senator Wentworth provided some history on his on his participation in the attempt to get single member districts in Austin, and said "that if Austin is to get single member districts it is not going to come from the legislature". He then explained his desire to come up with a "fairer" way to redistrict the State, and how the system has been abused in the past. The Senator has proposed that a citizen's committee be setup with four members from each party, Republican and Democrat, be formed to draw up state redistricting plans. However all his past attempts to change the way districts are drawn up have failed. He said that the U.S. Congress is currently working on a bill that would mandate all states use a citizen's committee to draw districts. Senator Wentworth also explained that the only changes to the Texas Tomorrow Fund are the pay back of funds to participants that are not going to use them. Instead of paying back at a rate equivalent to current tuition it was clarified in the plan that unused monies would be returned at the same amount as they were put in. He then took questions from the audience.

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Business Meeting:

Fourteen member associations were in attendance. A quorum was present as six associations were necessary to represent a quorum.

MINUTES:

The August 12th, 2009 OHAN Meeting Minutes were approved as read.

TRESURER'S REPORT:

Laura Faulk reported that there has been no activity in the last month so the balance stands at $2638.44 in the bank.

OLD BUSINESS:

- President Sandy recognized the audience members who have volunteered to be on the Citizen Advisory Board for the New Comprehensive Plan. She also said that there were 224 applications for the 30 slots on that board, and a significant number were from Southwest Austin.

- Charlsa Bentley explained how the Nominating Committee works, and thanked Rick Perkins for assisting her on the committee. She then read a note that was sent to the two men who have expressed an interest in running for the OHAN board, which explains the process being used by the Nominating Committee.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Carol Cespedes expressed the need for Oak Hill to tell Cap Metro to continue servicing the neighborhoods West of the "Y", and asked that the Board consider passing a resolution to that end.

- Craig Wojtowicz explained that a rally is being put together in support of SH 45 SW on Friday in order to try and garner support for SH 45 SW.

Sandra Baldridge adjourned the meeting at 9:13 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Eric Steen, VP / Secretary Date

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Sandra Baldridge, President Date

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