# Northern Heights Community Association 2019 Annual Meeting January 24th, 2019 Minutes submitted by Sarah Messmer

#### 1. Call to Order

Roberta Walker called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m., which was held at Northern Heights Elementary School. Other board members present were Marty Sauvage, Bryan Jones, Mike Yeend, and Sarah Messmer.

#### 2. Quorum Confirmation

Marty Sauvage confirmed that 56 homeowners were represented at the meeting. This total included proxies.

#### 3. Treasurer's Report presented by Marty Sauvage

- The 2018 Treasure's Report included 15 months. This was is due to board changing Northern Heights' fiscal year to line up with the calendar year.
- Checking Account balance as of 12/31/18: \$6,235.95
- The savings account held at Washington Federal has been closed
- Storm Water Account balance as of 12/31/18: \$17,991.55
- Reserve Account balance as of 12/31/18: \$10,280.87
- 170 homeowners have paid their 2018 dues. One homeowner has yet to pay and a lien against their home is being pursued.

#### 4. Successes this Year

- Barbara Fisher volunteered to take care of a dog poop station in the park in order to eliminate dog waste. Bryan Jones installed the dog poop station this summer and the park is the cleanest it has been in years.
- Sarah Messmer created a functional website for the association that is less expensive to maintain than the previous website.
- Joe Clark fixed the chains on the swings in the older kids park.
- Marty Sauvage changed the fiscal year to line up with the calendar year.
- Mike Yeend held a work party and trimmed up some of the bushes and shrubs around the neighborhood that were making it difficult to see around corners.

#### 5. Upcoming Events

- The drainage ditch between Tamarack and Timothy is the responsibility of Northern Heights to maintain.
  - This year the ditch will need to be cleaned out as portions of it have become overgrown.

- The Board will have to decide if they offer an incentive to homeowners to clean the portion of the ditch that boarders their property or if the association will pay a contractor to maintain the ditch.
- The entrance to the community park at Olivia Court is continually flooding. A project will need to be funded to improve the drainage of the trail.
- It has been three years since the community retention pond was last cleaned. This year the community may have to have the pond cleaned in order to avoid excessive cleaning costs later.
- The play equipment in the community park is degrading and will need to be replaced in the near future.
- There have been several instances in the past few months of high school students hanging out in the community park during the lunch hour. The school has been contacted, but there is not much the school can do about the issue.

# 6. 2019 Budget Presentation

- There are a few slight changes to the 2019 proposed budget from the 2018 budget
  - The budget for legal fees was increased to \$1,000 from \$500
  - The budget for special projects was decreased to \$1,000 from \$1,500
  - The budget for street lights were decreased to \$1,400 from \$1,475
  - The budget for web Site was decreased to \$600 from \$1,200
  - \$55 from each homeowners dues will be split between the Storm Water Account and the Reserve Account (\$27.50 in each account)
- Dues will remain at \$190 per household again this year
- Budget was approved at 7:10 p.m.

# 7. Election of New Board Members

- Roberta Walker's Presidency term has ended. She was covering the last year of the previous president's two-year term after he moved out of the neighborhood.
- Erik McCleskey volunteered to be on the 2019 Board.
- Marty Sauvage and Eric McCleskey were elected to two-year terms on the board. Bryan Jones, Sarah Messmer, and Mike Yeend will continue into the second year of their terms on the board.

# 8. Raffle for 2019 Dues

• Erik McCleskey won the raffle for not having to pay 2019 dues.

# 9. Any other Business

- There is a branch hanging over the little kids play area in the park that looks like it is about to fall down
  - Marty to call IDH to have them take care of it
- A homeowner asked why the county streetlights have not been replaced with LED lights.

- $\circ$   $\,$  Marty to call PSE to see about a rebate program  $\,$
- A homeowner asked if it would be possible for the community to clean and paint the mailboxes in the community since they are looking grim
  - She suggested getting the elementary or high schools involved as a service project.
  - $\circ$   $\;$  The board will contact the post office to see if painting the mailboxes is allowed.

#### End of Meeting

- A motion to adjourn the meeting was made, and seconded. The meeting ended at 7:25 p.m.
- The next meeting will be held on January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018.