WEATHERSFIELD SERVICE GROUP VI

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, OCTOBER 27, 2017

- 1. The meeting was called to order by President Jo Bolig at 2:00 pm in The Gathering Place. Present were Directors Nancy Fore, Dan Green, Bill Moore, and Hoyt Taylor. Also present were Secretary Timothy Gura, Historian Bob Kelley, and Berkeley Property Management Director Peggy Akers. Resident Gary Newman joined the meeting for its first twenty minutes.
- 2. Before moving to the established agenda, President Bolig asked Gary Newman to present his concerns regarding his application to construct an ornamental fence around plantings on the common grounds between his and his neighbor's house. Concerns were raised about the precedents that might be established by permitting fencing and the impact of any fencing on landscape maintenance. After thorough exploration, it was moved and seconded to establish an ad hoc committee of the Board to develop a formal policy regarding the establishment of fencing in common and private areas, and to have the committee present its recommendations to the Board of Directors not later than December 22, 2017. This motion was approved unanimously. The request of the homeowners was tabled until the committee reported its findings.
- 3. Resuming the agenda, President Bolig moved approval of the Minutes of the Meeting of September 29; the motion was seconded and approved.
- 4. The next item on the agenda permitted Treasurer Hoyt Taylor to announce that the September financials were posted on line. He then described the findings of his committee about auditing WSG VI financials. It was moved and seconded to accept the October 10 proposal from Petway, Miller, and Pearson to audit WSG financials for 2017 at a cost of \$1500. The motion was unanimously approved. Director Taylor also reported an abiding concern that the Reserve Funds be more profitably invested and promised to provide his recommendations soon.
- 5. Webmaster Dan Green reported that the WSG VI website was up and running and steadily gaining followers. He intends to recruit more residents at the Annual General Meeting, and looks forward to developing new options for the website.
- 6. President Bolig asked Director Fore to report on the Landscape projects. She specified that her committee had responded to 12 homeowner requests, 1 close rejuvenation, 5 AC unit renovations, 2-3 resident renovations, and 10 deep prunings. Community-wide projects—including pruning of crepe myrtles throughout Weathersfield and the removal of overgrown holly trees in two closes—are ongoing.

President Bolig reported that a problem with too many cars, either parked or abandoned, in one close had been resolved after the imposition of a fine. The Board was not entirely satisfied that the Rental Agent had proceeded appropriately in this

matter. It was moved and seconded to rescind the fine imposed (\$380), but that motion was defeated, 1 in favor, 4 opposed.

- 7. Director Green reported on his committees. 1) Architecture had received a request for the homeowner to paint his garage doors. After some discussion, the Board agreed that, inasmuch as garages are the property of WSG, homeowners cannot paint the garage doors. While there is no budget at this time for the WSG to do painting, Peggy Akers agreed to look into ways the doors can be refreshed.

 2) The Buildings and Streets Committee reported the pest and termite control firm would complete its work in November, with treatment of 6 garages and 2 crawl spaces. 3) Finally, he encouraged the Board to give serious consideration to authorizing—and, subsequently, following carefully--a Reserve Study of WSG potential problems.
- 8. Director Taylor reported that two representatives from Seagroves Insurance would attend the Annual General Meeting to present the homeowners with the ramifications of the Board's actions on insurance. It was moved and seconded to raise the WSG insurance deductible from \$5,000 to \$10,000, effective April 1, 2018. The motion was approved unanimously.
- 9. Director Moore reported that his Utilities Committee continues to monitor their concerns about how WSG and Fitch Creations share responsibilities for sewer maintenance. He and his committee will meet with the new owners of the sewer system in the very near future to establish their procedures. The committee expressed its continuing interest in the maintenance of the many and varied cable installations throughout Weathersfield.
- 10. President Bolig reported that the Nominating Committee was prepared for the Annual General Meeting, and for the organizational meeting to elect officers of the Board of Directors immediately following the conclusion of the General Meeting. This subsequent meeting enables the Board to establish the Committee Assignments for the coming year, and to update the information published in the 2018 <u>Directory</u>.
- 11. Some discussion ensued finalizing preparations for the Annual General Meeting, which will be held on **Monday, November 6, 6:00-9:00 pm in The Gathering Place**. President Bolig encouraged all Directors to remind residents of the meeting and offer proxies for those who were unable to be there.
- 12. The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be held on Friday, December 22, 2:00 pm in The Gathering Place. A motion to adjourn at 4:40 pm was made and seconded; it passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Timothy Gura, Secretary October 30, 2017