

**Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Board
Luxmanor Citizen's Association
11400 Hollow Tree Lane
Tuesday, September 7, 2010**

Members Present: Renee Howell, Harris Leonard, Ellen Paul, Nathalie Silver, Peggy Souza, Della Stolsworth, Joan Suwalsky, Lynn Waters

Members Excused: John Beamer, Todd Berman, Paula Bienenfeld, Barbara Gold, Marilyn Hammerman, Judy Morenoff.

Guests: Tom McLachlen, Steve Miller

President Della Stolsworth called the meeting to order at 7:49 pm (when a quorum was reached).

Minutes of Prior Meetings. The minutes of the 7/14/10 monthly meeting were approved with no corrections. The minutes of the 8/24/10 Executive Committee meeting were approved with one minor correction.

Treasurer's Report. Treasurer Judy Morenoff was not present, but sent her report prior to the meeting. Our books were independently reviewed recently by Beryl Tretter, who reported that "I have thoroughly checked the Treasurer's Records for 2009-2010 and have found no discrepancies. As of 8/31/10, we are \$1285.00 in the black in terms of the Budget. We also have assets of \$56,812.09. The report was passed unanimously with no changes.

Outstanding LCA Dues. Discussion of our need to collect outstanding dues ensued. At this point, unpaid dues are 4 months overdue. The change from a Fall dues collection schedule to one coinciding with our fiscal year (starting in June) may have confused people this year. Lynn Waters pointed out that we have approximately 800 people using the Listserve, which will be restricted soon to LCA members. We have 40 new LCA members this year, but, potentially, could have more if people want to be able to access the Listserve. Steve Miller suggested that we set up Paypal on the Listserve to facilitate payment. Della explained that it has not been done before to cut down on expenses and to respect the webmaster's time. Harris Leonard suggested that making personal calls to those owing dues might help. Steve Miller suggested that we set out the financial benefits of LCA membership. Lynn responded that she has done just that for the upcoming issue of the Greensheet. One benefit is access to group purchases; we need someone to head this up.

Harris agreed to take over the effort to collect dues. He will explore the feasibility of online payment with Todd Berman, webmaster, and mount a telephone campaign to contact those owing dues.

Steve Miller was asked to develop ideas for future group purchases, which will be offered only to LCA members.

Special Events. Della reminded everyone that Judy Abramson has resigned as Special Events Chair. A plea for a replacement has gone out in the Greensheet (mailed today). A coordinator for the Books & Brunch event on 10/17/10 is also needed.

Advertising the upcoming traffic meeting. Steve Miller requested that the 9/15/10 neighborhood traffic meeting be advertised with signs, especially south of Tuckerman. Based on his effort to start a Windermere listserv with only 8 people signing up, he feels that residents in that area are apathetic about community concerns. Discussion ensued about how to get signs quickly, with Della reporting that buying them online is the cheapest. The following motion was made, seconded, and unanimously passed.

Motion: Della Stolsworth is authorized to purchase 25 generic traffic meeting signs at a total cost of \$200 or less, provided they can be delivered by 9/13/10.

These signs will be used initially for the 9/15/10 meeting and re-used for future traffic meetings. Della will order the signs online tonight.

Committee Reports.

Directory. (Rob Wilkinson)

E-Communications. (Todd Berman)

Environment. (Nathalie Silver)

Greensheet. (April Chang) Della made a plea for contributions of material to the Greensheet, pointing out that April is often short of material and spends a lot of time looking for more. Several traditional features have been dropped for lack of someone to write them, e.g., the garden column and the library column. Discussion of ideas ensued, and it was suggested that Lynn Waters write a column of neighborhood news. Book reviews were also suggested.

Lynn Waters agreed to call Gail Klein and ask if she would take over the garden column.

Membership. (Marilyn Hammerman)

Neighborhood Reps. (Peggy Souza) Peggy reported that she has offered the help of the neighborhood reps to Beverly Piccone, chair of the Welcome Committee. Bev will be leaving that role at the end of the year and plans to make one last delivery to new neighbors at that time. Discussion ensued about whether the Neighborhood Reps should be combined with the Welcome Committee in the future. The reps don't really have enough to do, and this might make their job more interesting.

Della will solicit Bev's opinion on combining the two jobs.

Peggy will pull together a list of the existing reps and advertise for more in the next Greensheet.

Planning & Development. (Paula Bienenfeld)

Public Safety. (John Beamer)

Schools. (Ellen Paul)

Special Events.

Traffic. (Renee Howell)

Welcome Committee. (Beverly Piccone) See comments under Neighborhood Reps.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:51 pm.

Submitted by Joan Suwalsky, Recording Secretary