

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE  
SANDY FORD PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION  
BOARD MEETING**

**November 15, 2022**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Brain Dasinger, President at 6:34 p.m. at the Rock Creek Clubhouse.

II. CALLING OF THE ROLL

Five (5) current Board members were present, namely Brian Dasinger, Heather Hickox, GiGi Lott and Lynn McConnell. Residents who were in attendance and proxy forms were counted; however, a quorum was not achieved.

III. PROOF OF NOTICE OF MEETING

Proof of due notice of meeting was verified as signs with date, time and location were posted at both entrances to Sandy Ford and residents were notified in a timely manner via email and Facebook post. Notice of the Annual Meeting and Election of Board of Directors together with a Board Member Proxy, a 2022-2023 Board Nomination Form and the proposed 2023 Operating Budget were mailed to residents in a timely manner.

IV. APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 20, 2022 MEETING MINUTES

The Minutes of the September 20, 2022 Meeting distributed via email to the Board members. Once the minutes are approved, they will be posted on the website.

V. VOTE ON NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Neither Brian Dasinger nor Lynn McConnell will seek a Board position for the 2022-2023 term. Gigi Lott, Matt Chunn and Heather Hickox are willing to continue as Board members. Karen McDonald and Inge Johnson are interested in serving on the Board. As a quorum was lacking (and therefore a vote was not possible) and five Board members are needed, a motion was made and seconded that Karen McDonald and Inge Johnson would be members of the Board. Lynn McConnell offered to continue to hold Board meetings at her office free of charge as other locations have rental fees.

VI. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

President (Brain Dasinger) – No report. Expressed gratitude for being able to serve the neighborhood as President.

Vice President (Matt Chunn) – No report. Commented that Board will continue to strive to utilize neighborhood funds in most efficient manner possible considering necessary expenditures and desire to improve the landscaping in the neighborhood, particularly the front entrance.

Treasurer (GiGi Lott) – A financial update was provided per the information included in the Annual Meeting Notification mailing.

Secretary (Lynn McConnell) – A Petition for Requesting Traffic Calming Device on a City-Maintained Street was available for signature at the Fall Bash where over forty signatures were obtained. The Petition is also available for signature at the annual meeting. Based upon residents' concerns the Board recommends the installation of stop signs and the intersection of Cumberland Road and Cuscowilla Lane and at the intersection of Sandy Ford Road and Cuscowilla Lane. Residents provided input on stop signs versus speed tables and inquired about other options such as police presence. Lynn McConnell will continue the application process which involves a letter to the Fairhope Police Department requesting a traffic study, a petition with signatures (for and against) of 90% of the residents on a street segment proposed for traffic calming. The Petition may need to be circulated again to include only residents on Cumberland Road and residents on Sandy Ford Road. The results will be presented to the Fairhope Traffic Committee and Public Works may make recommendations for or against the measure. If approved by the Fairhope Traffic Committee the request goes to the Fairhope City Council with a material cost estimate prepared by public works. If approved by the City Council SFPOA will need to submit full payment for the traffic calming measure before installation which may take 3 to 6 months after the receipt of payment.

#### IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

ARC – No report

Landscape Committee – Joey Skaff spoke about current landscaping projects. There is some erosion at the north pond causing sand over sidewalk. A wax myrtle and azaleas will be placed in appropriate location to address this situation. Water pools on the common area at South Drive and Keplar Place; Keith Hofmann is working solutions for this area and considering adding stone to create a pathway for the water flow and/or planting of wax myrtles with the hope their roots would soak up the water. Joey also answered questions about care, maintenance, and possible upgrades to front entrance and welcomed volunteers to assist her and the committee.

Social/ Sunshine Committee (Nancy Hawkins) –

- Directory to be finalized after Annual Meeting and available in January 2023. Volunteers are needed to distribute directories (email Nancy if interested).
- There are 15 new residents in the neighborhood and Nancy officially welcomes each home and provides important information and invitation to Facebook page.
- Fall Bash was a success and under budget.
- 2nd annual Halloween home decorating contest winners are Shilstons and the Freemans.
- Best of Sandy Ford awarded to Craig and Sandy Stepan.

- Rock Creek Garden club luminaries order forms will be available. Proceeds benefit the Lighthouse Shelter and Prodissee Pantry.
- Christmas Parade with Rock Creek to be held on December 18<sup>th</sup>. Minimal cost (approximately \$200) for Sandy Ford to participate. Someone needed to ride in the parade as a representative of Sandy Ford, preferable with a convertible. Following the parade there will be a party at the Rock Creek clubhouse and traditionally the luminaries are lighted throughout the neighborhood that evening.

Pond Committee – (Autrey McMillan) – Ponds are in good shape overall and City complimented Sandy Ford on their maintenance. Many thanks to Joey Skaff for her continued dedication to the areas surrounding the ponds.

#### IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- None

#### VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- Scott McDade is the winner of the \$250 raffle to be applied to the 2023 annual dues.

#### IX. ADJOURNMENT

No further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m. The next Board Meeting will be held on December 13, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. at the law office of Lynn McConnell located at The Shoppes at Fairhope Village, 101 Fly Creek Avenue Suite 320, Fairhope, Alabama.