



FOREST HILL HOME OWNERS INC.

January 13, 2021

Virtual meeting

Gretchen called the meeting to order at 7:00. Each Trustee introduced themselves. All were present

October meetings were approved as submitted as well as the minutes from the Annual General Meeting.

Treasurers report

Tony reported 13902.39, 116 total contributors, 520 on permit fees, reviewed various minor expenses and contributions. Total expenses 17,224.35, total deficit 3,321.96.

Tony excitedly reported that the county reclassified the cottage building, the cottage land, and Burlington Lot to an HOA's common area, reducing the total tax liability by about 3400. This effectively nullifies our loss for 2020, and potentially 2021 if able to raise the same amount of revenue.

Barbara asked about the financials trends to the best of the his ability. He reported that 2019 was a similar size loss, the previous years had some small overall gains in revenue.

Separately, Tony thinks it may be important to do some regular maintenance on the Blue Cottage this year.

Officers

Sam and Tony agreed to continue serving as secretary and treasurer respectively. Barbara volunteered to be VP of Membership. Ann volunteered to be the Executive Vice President. Gretchen and Beryl agreed to continue being President and Chair respectively. Tom agreed to continue serving as chair of the Preservation Committee. The Board unanimously approved these officers.

Committee Leadership

Bob presented an idea to strengthen the Preservation Committee. One idea is a way to share tools and technical help with residents. Another could be a financial and educational guide on how to get assistance with home preservation according the covenant's standards. Tom noted that the Home Repair Resource Center already exists which loans tools and teach homeowners essential technical skills. Tom stated his goal for the year on the Preservation Committee was to focus on communicating and building a more positive relationship with the community. Tom said he'd love for Bob to take on one of the tasks laid out as a sub-committee of the Preservation Committee. Beryl expressed that the best role for FHHO is to be the liaison or conduit for residents. Bob agreed. Ron volunteered to join the Preservation Committee. Ann agreed that education and technical resources, particularly for homeowners trying to maintain the Rockefeller homes, finding reputable contractors is challenging.

Membership Committee

Tony volunteered to work with Barbara on the Membership committee. He explained that he is happy to continue to track sales, transfers, and update the database, while leaving Barbara to play a more ambassadorial role.

Fundraising Committee

Beryl volunteered to continue with 2020 projects.

By-Laws Committee

Mark, Gretchen, and Bob volunteered to work with By-Laws committee with Chris continuing to chair it.

Social Committee

Tess has volunteered to continue managing the social media accounts for FHHO. Samantha will continue to manage the FHHO webpage. Ann volunteered to chair the committee, Jacqueline agreed to join as well.

Other Business

Mark provided an update on signs celebrating the 70th anniversary of FHHO and welcoming folks to the neighborhood. There are a number of issues still to resolve with the city of Cleveland Heights. Chris added that they are collaborating with the East Cleveland _____?? who are pursuing signs as well. There was some discussion of the beautiful new brown street signs on in the East Cleveland section of Forest Hill, Chris and Tony recalled that previous efforts to do something similar on the Cleveland Heights side of the neighborhood were unsuccessful.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:33

Sam Kohn, Secretary