

Minutes

October 8, 2024

President Shirley Leonard called the meeting to order at 7:07 P.M. The meeting was opened with a prayer by Mr. Miles Richardson. The September 10,2024 minutes were read by the attendees. After a motion by Mr. Richardson and seconded by Mr. Ray the minutes were approved.

Ms. M. Spates presented the September 2024 Treasurer's report. The September 2024 Registry balance trend was decreased by – 26.36 % from September 2023. The treasurer's report was approved, after a motion by Ms. Scurlock and seconded by Ms. Hornsby.

Guests/ New Members

There were none.

Old Business

Neighborhood Signage: It was noted that the signage project is complete. Thanks to Mr. Castex. The signs are metal not wood. Correction to the September minutes: The cost was \$1000 at a cost of \$500 each not \$1100 as noted in the minutes. It was noted that the tree limbs near the sign on Buxley and Brookston may need to be trimmed.

Construction issues on Trail Lake- It was noted that the construction project appears complete. Per Ms. Scurlock, City Council Woman M. Castex-Tatum will sign off on the work and a walk-through will occur. Per Mr. Castex, there is a one-year warranty on the work. The streetlights on the part of Trail Lake where the construction was done, have not been repaired yet.

Street Representative Reporting Form

The group agrees that the street representative form letter is ready to implement. This form is to be sent to the property owners when issues are found from the monthly street reviews. The form with deficiencies that are identified by the street representative is to be provided to the street manager who will be responsible for sending the form out. Preferably by postal route. Ms. Spates has posted the form in English and Spanish on the website. Mr. Jones suggested that copies are made and brought to the meeting.



The Street Managers are Mr. Wright for Ramblewood and Mr. Richardson for Keswick Place. It was suggested that the names of the street managers be included in the Newsletter.

Long time residents deceased -It was noted that longtime resident Mr. Collins who lived on Buxley passed recently.

House Rebuild on Innshire.

No new information on this matter.

City Council At Large (Position 2) Willie Davis- It was noted that Mr. Davis sponsored an event of awareness for all residents at the Fountain of Life location on 10/7. Several City Services with booths were present with information for citizens.

New Business

Neighborhood Night Out

President Leonard noted that our annual National Night Out was a success with great attendance, food, and refreshments. We were able to distribute the announcement of this event on a very nice flyer printed in English and Spanish translated and reproduced at the expense of the city councilwoman's office. The Councilwoman presented the Civic Club with a certificate of appreciation for the work that we do in our community.

Issues from the Floor/ Announcements:

It was announced that the South Houston Concerned Citizens Coalition sponsored the Annual Leadership Breakfast invitation on September 21. The 10th Annual Awards Banquet will be held on 1/2025. The Civic Club will need to decide if we will participate and whether we will sponsor a table or representatives from our Civic Club.

Mr. King stated a concern for solicitation that he experienced and his concerns about the number of vehicles parked in or near one house on the street where he lives. Ms. Scurlock noted that all of us who live in the neighborhood should report violations to 311 and notify police if indicated. The procedure for reporting the concerns to the street representatives and managers, was discussed in depth.

Mr. Wright stated a traffic light concern on Allum. It was suggested that Traffic Management is notified.



Mr. Richardson reported that a resident was injured by a garbage collector truck lift as the resident stepped into the path of the truck to retrieve the empty garbage can. 911 was notified and the appropriate response team did come to the scene of the incident.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM. A motion was made by Ms. Scurlock and seconded by Ms. Hornsby to extend the meeting by 10 minutes.

Action Items:

- (1) The neighborhood entrance evaluate tree limbs.
- (2) Implement the Neighborhood Representative monthly form.
- (3) Follow up on Street lights repairs.
- (4) Awareness of any other issues of concern noted after the construction on Trail Lake Street.
- (5) Include names of Street Managers in the Newsletter.

Attendees: Roland Castex, Donald Davenport, Darryl Green, Lyda Hornsby, Bob Jones, Larry King, Shirley Leonard, D. Luckett, Miles Richardson, Linda Scurlock, Mary Spates, Betty Stevenson, Aaron Ray, Frances Ray, and Al Wright.

Minutes recorded by Shirley Leonard