

Crooked Creek Heights South Neighborhood Association

## MEETING MINUTES

I. Welcome

Attendees:

47 Attendees General Meeting

a. Reorganization of the Neighborhood Association

Current Vice President- Mathew Albro and Secretary- Ashley Hair led the meeting. Treasurer- Christine Randolph has resigned her position. Ashley assumed the role of both Secretary and Treasurer and worked in conjunction with Mathew to get the association functional again. It has been quite an undertaking creating a database for the neighborhood, creating an annual dues invoice, reconciling financials, and establishing a way for our residents to pay dues online among other things.

b. Taxes Filed (IT-20 & 990N)

The Neighborhood Association is required to file both state and federal taxes. These were both filed for 2023. Annual dues pay for the filing of all taxes.

- c. Up the Creek Newsletter has not been distributed to residents for the Fall season. We are hoping to get one out soon. The hope is to send out newsletters via email at the start of each season.
- d. Beautification of 71st & 79th entrances

The final mow for the season took place on November 9. Due to the warmer weather this season, there was 1 additional mow required.

We also discussed having a Spring Beautification event, where neighbors come together to plant flowers, mulch and assist in landscaping the entrances. Ideas were shared about contacting Alice's Garden for advice, plants and materials to accomplish this.

e. Electronic Payment of Dues

The current banking partner the association banks with does not support Zelle for the electronic payment of dues. We have not changed banking institutions, however, Found banking has been added to our ways to pay. Through Found we can send out digital invoices and accept multiple forms of payment. Cash App for CCHSNA is also active. The Cash Tag is \$CCHSNA. Venmo is now active a viable option and our handle is @CCHSNA1

II. Dues Update- Per the covenant: Dues are not voluntary

- a. <u>Payment is due Nov. 1 of each year and residents are given 30 days to pay. After those</u> <u>30 days, a 12% late payment fee is assessed.</u>
- b. Signs are posted at the 71<sup>st</sup>, 79<sup>th</sup> and Crickwood/Pershing entrance as notice for dues payment. Signs will remain in place until December 1.
- c. The cost of dues has not increased since 1989, but the cost of everything has. There is consideration of raising dues to more fully cover the cost of maintenance that the association is responsible for as well as to be able to sponsor neighborhood events. Surrounding neighborhoods with maintenance costs similar to ours pay around \$150 annually, just for reference.
- d. To date, 146 Homes out of 481 have contributed. This equates to 30% of homes, which is less than 1/3. There have been some very generous neighbors that have paid more than the required \$30 and we have been able to collect past due balances for some property management companies, so we have received \$4,890 this year so far. This will barely cover our expenses for the year, with no funding for snow plowing.

## III. Expenses

| Annual Expenses                       |    |          |
|---------------------------------------|----|----------|
| Business Entity Report                | \$ | 25.00    |
| Pike Township Residents Association   | \$ | 40.00    |
| Neighborhood Lighting Avg.            | \$ | 540.00   |
| Mail Annual Dues                      |    |          |
| Stamps                                | \$ | 365.00   |
| Misc. Supplies                        | \$ | 75.00    |
| Printing & Envelopes                  | \$ | 450.00   |
| Mowing: Twice a month; April - Novemb | er |          |
| 71st - \$120                          | \$ | 1,500.00 |
| 79th - \$120                          | \$ | 1,500.00 |
| Annual Yard Sale Signs                | \$ | 300.00   |
|                                       | \$ | 4,795.00 |
| Estimated Expense                     |    |          |
| Snowplowing                           | \$ | 3,500.00 |

## IV. Election of Board

- a. Self-Nomination forms were made available at the meeting for anyone who wants to join the board or serve as block captain.
- V. Submission of Ballots
  - a. Some forms had been received and are being reviewed.
- VI. Questions from the Floor

- a. Painting/Maintenance of speed bumps. We are looking into ways to either repair or at least paint the speed bumps yellow/ stripe them to make them more visible/noticeable.
- b. We will follow up with Keep Indiana Beautiful about the potential for a greenspace between Crooked Creek Heights South and Crooked Creek Heights West.
- VII. Adjournment Next meeting to be announced

## To vote or hold a role in the Neighborhood Association you must be a dues paying household, only 1 vote per household