Audubon Hills Association (AHA) Annual Meeting June 15, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 9:33 a.m.

1. Introductions of officers and homeowners present

Officers
President – Mark Stanley
Vice-President – Darrin McNeice (elected at meeting)
Secretary/Treasurer – Sue Collier

Homeowners in Attendance
Mark and Robin Stanley
Whitey and Helen Atchley
Sue and Doug Collier
Bob and Betsy Verzello

Stephanie Knapp
Board Members
Larry Linville
Larry Wilson (re-elected at meeting)
Stephanie Knapp
Jim and Judy Wells
Stan Backlund
Alex Baird

Mimi Crowe

2. Treasurer's report

The balance is \$11,520.73. Mark added that we have purchased a hard drive to transfer all information to the new vice-president.

3. Audubon Hills Community Service District Report (AHCSD)

Stan Backlund, member of the AHCSD, reported on the projects of the CSD, including snow removal and roadside clearing. The CSD receives about \$27,000 in income from the county, which is paid through our property taxes. The CSD is planning improvements for Mockingbird. The plan is for 16' of pavement and shoulder with a circular turn around at the end to accommodate fire trucks. At a cost of \$40,000.00 per \(^1\)4 mile, they are projecting this job will be done next year. It will be 3 years until the next project, which is Tanager Lane. We discussed the importance of good fire department access.

4. General maintenance needs

- a) Entrance sign: This will be taken down for total renovation by Kim McCarthy.
- b) Bench: There is a bench that was going to be installed at the end of Waxwing. It may not be needed there, so it might be installed elsewhere.
- c) Bus stop refurbishment: There was a sign-up sheet circulated, but I don't think anyone volunteered.
- d) General cleanup along roads during summer and winter: Mark asked that people clean signs adjacent to their property. He encouraged people to pitch in to help keep the neighborhood looking nice. Jim suggested the people plant spring bulbs at the base of signs because he has gotten positive feedback about those plantings that people have done.

5. Status of fire escape route

Mark advised the group that the property where the planned fire escape would be had been sold. There was never anything in writing about any egress through that property. We will have to talk to the new owners. Stephanie said egress through their property was no longer an option. She asked about the logistics of getting a permanent easement. She is willing to donate \$500.00 toward the expense of obtaining such an easement, whether it goes to legal expenses or payment to a property owner. We will continue to explore other options.

While talking about fire evacuation, Jim Wells brought up a concern about what we would do in the event of a major flood or culvert damage that cut off the low part of Audubon near the entrance to Audubon Hills. He suggested we should pursue access and egress through Dogwood Lane.

6. Fall dumpster/green waste dumpster timing – chipping

We are not sure whether we will get a green waste dumpster, but the general dumpster will be here in September.

7. CCAC and Slab Creek Powerhouse updates

Mark gave an update on the addition of the powerhouse. CCAC is trying to be sure all environmental requirements are met. Mark also gave a general overview of the Iowa Hill project. As part of the conversation about the potential impacts of Iowa Hill, Jim said that EDC DOT isn't scheduled to repair North Canyon Road for 2 years. He feels like no repairs will take place till after an Iowa Hill decision is made, because SMUD is mandated to repair the road to its condition prior to construction.

8. Election of 2 open positions

There were no nominations from the "deck" so the nominees for open positions were elected.

Vice President of AHA – Darrin McNeice

1st Director AHA – Larry Wilson (incumbent)

9. Drawing for free dues for 1 year.

The winner was Mimi Crowe, who was delighted because she arrived at the meeting just before the drawing.

10. New business "from the deck."

- a) Stephanie asked about funds for clearing from Prop 40. Mark is checking on this but thinks the funds are for large timberlands owners. We discussed the various aspects of Fire Safe Councils.
- b) There was a question about how best to approach the road situation. It was agreed that we should send a letter to the county.
- c) We discussed the situation of speeding cars. The group felt there is little hope of slowing people down unless we all carry 25 MPH signs when we are out walking or in front of our homes.

11. Other

The board is planning to appoint Kim McCarthy as the coordinator of Neighborhood Watch. We took a minute to recognize Jim Wells for his many years coordinating Neighborhood Watch and gave him a hearty round of applause.