

Hiller Highlands Association Board Meeting Minutes
Remote meeting: 10/26/2023

Board members present:

Gary Firestone, President
Neville Colaco, Vice President
Steven Cobbledick, Treasurer
Chuck Scurich, Secretary

Spyglass Hill residents joining the meeting remotely:

Hanna Levenson (#5)
Margaret Wotkyns (#40)
Ann Mulligan (#48)
Gerry Powers-Ross (#57)

Meeting called to order: 7:02 pm

Welcome and Opening Remarks: Gary welcomed everyone to the board meeting.

Agenda Review: No adjustments to the proposed agenda.

HOA board meeting minutes: The board minutes from August 10, 2023 were approved. Minutes are available on our website.

Homeowners' Forum:

Margaret brought up the ongoing East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD) trees that are blocking views of several homeowners. Margaret will contact homeowners at #38 and #60 who have recently been communicating about this ongoing issue.

Treasurer's Report (Steve Cobbledick):

Operating Account (Union Bank): \$27,125.77
Reserve Account (Union Bank): \$199,093.73
CD: \$100,000.00
Total: \$326,219.50

Steve mentioned our new CD purchase of \$100,000.00 for 13 months at 4.8% with our US Bank. We also discussed that we will need Gary to be a co-signer for the US Bank accounts. Steve and Chuck are the existing co-signers.

Insurance Update:

Gary mentioned that the bid for the property insurance (not including the Earthquake Insurance) was about \$67,751.00, which is about a \$12,900.00 increase from the year before. Gary will be

calling our broker, Paul Bickham, to see if we can reduce our cost by increasing the deductible amount to the policy. Currently we have a \$25,000.00 deductible.

Landscaping:

Gary reported La Canada Tree Service has trimmed 60 trees. The board would like homeowners to continue to inform us about any landscaping needs, so that we can address this issue quickly.

Gary reported that Trimacs fixed the irrigation system's stuck valve at #59 and #61.

There was a discussion regarding the North Entrance Beautification efforts. Gary made a suggestion that the current sidewalk be extended all the way to Hiller Drive, with some planting of succulents. Gary also suggested the possibility that the club could sell us the land so that we would own this piece of property. Gary will do some work getting an estimate on the cost of this sidewalk project. It was also suggested that the expense of the proposal be paid out of the Reserve fund.

Property Maintenance Issues:

Gary thanked Tommy Angelo for changing the light bulb on the street light at #45.

We had a discussion about the bayside carport railing under unit #42. That maintenance would need to be paid for by several parties including the HOA. The HOA will pay for 33% of the cost. The rest needs to be split equally into the four users of the parking spaces in the car port.

We discussed the asphalt street surface that needs to be re-sealed sometime in the near future.

Other topics:

Next board meeting will be scheduled for December 7th.

Meeting adjournment: 7:43 pm

Respectfully submitted by Chuck Scurich, Secretary