

BATTLEFIELD ESTATES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION  
SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING  
NOVEMBER 12, 2019

Board members present: Vice-President Wade Alexander; Treasurer Gail King; Johnny Johnson; Bobby Sloan; Brenda Blankenship; Beth Vincent. A quorum was established regarding Board Members and Residents in attendance. The meeting was called to order following the dinner at 7:12 PM by Gail King who filled in for President Tom Pond who was unable to attend. We had a total of 38 in attendance including proxy's.

The Minutes from the June 2019 Semi-Annual Meeting were read by the Secretary. Brenda made a motion to approve, second by Wade with membership approval.

The Treasurer's Report: Gail distributed the Financial Report to the membership. Joe made a motion to approve, second by Howard with membership approval.

Old Business:

The Security System is working well, and the video tapes are available for 30 days. The County Memorandum of Understanding and landscaping updates were provided by Brenda. The MOU is with the Fiscal Court. Brenda read the MOU to the membership. Liz shared that the Richmond Register reported that the BEHOA has assumed responsibility for the back gate upkeep which came from the Fiscal Court MOU. Discussion regarding the \$911.60 expense for the removal of the back gate shrubs with removal. Brenda shared that this was the most cost-effective estimate received. Other estimates were around \$2000.00. Liz Beck shared that there was a \$500.00 limit that could be spent without membership approval. The ByLaws were reviewed with no mention of an specific amount that needed membership approval. The previous ByLaws were reviewed with no mention noted. Discussion regarding the ability of the Board to approve the amount without membership approval. The ByLaws do not specify an certain amount that has to be approved by the membership in any ByLaws version reviewed; therefore, an amount was not removed in the ByLaws.

ByLaws Changes:

Exemption of Board Members from annual dues as an encouragement for Residents to serve on the Board. Discussion regarding the number of meetings required for the waiver; discussion regarding a percentage of meeting attendance instead of a number of meetings. The motion to approve was made by Skip, second by Don, with 23 for and 14 opposed, proposal carried.

Definition of Dues Increase Procedure (no increase planned or requested): Joe made the motion to approve the language change/clarification, second by Liz, with unanimous approval. Discussion regarding future spending by the Board; cost of painting for the back gate.

Election of Officers:

The Ballots were distributed to the membership. The Slate of Nominees was presented with the request for nominations from the floor for vacant positions. Gail shared that he is dropping off the Slate. Bob Beck thanked Gail for his many years of tireless, loyal service to the BEHOA. The membership applauded Gail with thanks. Frank Newman graciously volunteered to serve on the Board with thanks to Frank.

Election Signs: Bobby shared that some residents have had candidate signs in their front yards. The ByLaws state that election signs may be displayed in windows but not front yards.

Trash Can Locations and Welcome Wagon: Brenda suggested that if someone moves out, perhaps a neighbor and/or Resident could move the trash can out of sight. Discussion regarding the Welcome Wagon with a cost of approximately \$20.00 per new homeowner. Diane shared that she and Janet had provided a card to new homeowners in the past as a cost-effective option. The membership voted to not support the cost of a Welcome Wagon gift at this time. Wade made the motion to not approve, second by Dalton, with opposing votes carrying.

#### Election Results:

The results were counted by Wade and Bobby.

Single family Board: Frank Newman; Wade Alexander; Bobby Sloan.

Townhome Board: Bones Owens. Johnny is resigning; Billy declined.

Open Discussion: Discussion regarding the approval of playground equipment when the Residents had not approved in the past. Gail shared that the property lines of the Resident are irregular, and the playground equipment was approved based upon the property lines. Brenda read the Minutes from the November meeting to clarify that it was approved.

Dwight made the motion to adjourn, second by Janet, with unanimous approval. The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 PM.

Submitted by Beth Vincent, Secretary