

THE GREENS AT ST, ANDREWS MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL MEETING OCTOBER 13TH 2024
HIAWATHA PUBLIC LIBRARY

The residents gathered at 4:30 PM and enjoyed sharing a meal of loose meat sandwiches and the many side dishes brought by everyone.

President Sethu Rathinam, called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM and welcomed everyone. Roll Call: Everyone in attendance stated their name and house number. Twenty-one households were represented in person and an additional five were represented by proxy, so we met quorum.

The board members attended nine meetings throughout the past year which were announced back in October 2023 and listed in the Greens newsletter. These meetings were held at the Hiawatha Public Library, and as always were open to all residents. The meeting process was defined by terms of being: Respectful, Open, Clear, Simple, and Direct communications. Issue Description, discussion, decide action and follow-up to completion.

Since the last meeting we have two new residents, Maggie Smith and Mike & Kelly Zimmerman.

There are no election matters this year. Ron Davis's board term expired in October 2024 and no-one is running to take that board position. The board will continue with eight directors: Sethu Rathinam, Mike Lindeman, Elaine Read, Karol Cooper, Nora Becker, Bruce Ray, Jayne Kamberling and Linda Miller.

The board will elect its officers at the next meeting scheduled for October 28th, 4-6PM at the Hiawatha Public Library.

The minutes from last year's meeting on October 15, 2023, were read and approved.

We had a good year with many projects completed.

As a community we had the following:

Chili-cookoff on February 13.

Neighborhood Night Out on Aug 6.

Musical Evening with Mix-Masters on Sep 11.

Holiday Decorations by front entrance in December.

Entryway Flowers and Central Circle Flowers Spring to Fall.

Community Dumpster in July.

Projects Completed:

- 1: Underground water collection points (storm sewers) were fixed, and north-east side storm water run-off ramp was fixed. Follow up work on sod irrigation was done by volunteers.
- 2: Lighting: Lamp post and lamp updates were completed.
- 3: Fixing edge bricks and replacing wood mulch with rock was completed on Berms 2 and 3 in the courtyard.
- 4: Northside landscaping was completed with brick border, and rock replacing the wood mulch.
- 5: Several lawn patches were completed with watering done by volunteers.
- 6: Downspout issues were gathered, and a contractor will complete the work this fall.
- 7: ImOn's new utility box installation damaged some sprinkler lines and heads. These were fixed and ImOn paid for the damages.
- 8: New tree was planted in the entry way area replacing the old bush that was removed.
- 9: Various smaller projects were completed, along with tree removal and bush trimming.
- 10: A problem and wishes list were created and is maintained. Even though this may not be a "project" in itself, it helps with managing all the projects.

Friendly Reminders:

Our by-laws are on the website under the REPORT tab.
Handyman contacts are under CONTRACTORS tab.
If you want to give your emergency contacts for the webpage, please send it in an email to Sethu Rathinam. sethpoint@gmail.com
Make sure your emergency contact person has your garage and/or door code.
We also encourage the general membership to be engaged by volunteering for various activities, or just by being present for moral support of the volunteers.

THANKS TO THE VOLUNTEERS:

1. Barb and John Tusan for garden clean-up in the fall and bush trimming.
2. Linda and Bill Nixon for trimming entry area bushes in the fall.
3. Amy Davis for Holiday decorations along with the board members.
4. Ron & Amy Davis, and David Anderson for sod watering after the storm-sewer project.
5. Jerry Bair for the newsletters, for leading the north side landscaping project, and irrigation.

6. Les Pendl for being the new contact person for irrigation.
7. Flower Watering Volunteers: Chery Torrey, Amy Davis, Dennis Martin, Linda Nixon, Nora Becker, Karol Cooper, Jayne Kamberling, Elaine Read and Linda Miller.
8. Linda and Ray Whittle for sponsoring the musical evening.
9. Paul Zimmerman for arranging the site for the Chili-Cookoff.
10. Steve Black for the pictures and videos of multiple events.
11. Elaine Blick for Newsletter distribution, information on the “northside events” and hosting the musical evening.
12. Myra and Bruce Ray and Sethu Rathinam for taking care of the garden and for tree, bush and flower donations.
13. Forrest Parks for assistance with north side landscaping, along with lawn seed watering.
14. Kim Wilkerson for doing all the printing of material we need for meetings.
15. All the board members without whom none of this would have been possible.

The Election Process:

A question regarding the election process came up and to comply with our by-laws it has been stated that anyone wanting to run for President or Vice President will first need to be voted in as a board member. Then the board will then elect the officers (President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary). The President and Vice President are required to be board members, the Treasurer and Secretary aren't required to be board members but they can be, and they each get a vote on all board matters whether they are board members or not. The board term is three years, and the officer term is one year. There are no term-limits for the board or officer positions.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Treasurer Karol Cooper handed out the Greens 2023/2024 year-end financial report. All monthly financial reports are listed on the website.

Expenses for the past year were discussed, and major differences for the upcoming year were identified. The past year's accounts has been reviewed by Pam Richardson, CPA, MBA and found to be in order. The current monthly income from dues is not consistently covering our monthly expenses, resulting in the need to transfer money from the reserve accounts. When CD1 matures in January that money will be transferred to the operating reserve fund to help (Sep 23 board meeting minutes has details). Raising the dues at some point in the future is inevitable but the board is trying to avoid it as long as possible by closely monitoring expenses.

Meeting was adjourned.

Linda Miller
Secretary.