

Brookglen Community Improvement Association

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March 2022 Meeting MINUTES

Thursday, March 10th, 2022 - 7:00pm
Brookglen Community Center

7:00pm – Call to order by President David Amyx. Board Members present: David Amyx, Debra Lopez, David Turnquist Board Members absent: Juan Garza, Chris Humphries, Gabriel Martinez

7:01pm – Secretary David Turnquist asked that the February Meeting Minutes be approved and a motion was made by Debra Lopez and seconded by David Amyx to accept the minutes as filed. The motion passed.

7:03pm – Update: President David Amyx discussed the new Brookglen Newsletter that will have its first publication by the end of the month. Resident Elizabeth Humphries will use Canva to create the newsletter and there will be an online version as well as a printed version for residents that request one. A new idea to be included would be items for sale and a neighborhood flea market or garage sale

7:07pm – Update: Treasurer Debra Lopez shared that there are currently 25 residents who owe the HOA \$500 or more (some over \$3000). Letters and Certified Letters will be sent to these residents and they will be given an opportunity to respond in 30 days, otherwise these files will be handed over to the Attorney representing the HOA for legal action, including the possibility of a lien on the property. There are also 154 homes in Brookglen that have not yet paid the 2022 HOA dues.

7:14pm – Architectural Control Committee Report: No ACC members were present at the meeting so there was no ACC update

7:15pm – New Business: The La Porte Police Department has increased patrols in Brookglen due to recent reports/complaints about cars not stopping for busses that were loading and unloading children and had their flashing lights on. This is a very dangerous situation and the police will prosecute anyone that does not stop for busses that are loading and unloading.

7:20pm – New Business: The curb that was destroyed on the median at Somerton and Spencer Hwy was witnessed and reported by a Brookglen resident. The damage was caused by a commercial vehicle carrying a bulldozer on a trailer. Once the damage was reported, Board members reported the damage to the City of La Porte Maintenance and to Harris County Precinct 2 Maintenance. Within 1 week, the City of La Porte Maintenance Department came out and repaired the curb.

7:24pm – New Business: The City of La Porte Fence Committee has issued a 90 day extension to allow HOA's in La Porte to submit requests for new concrete or other fencing on the entrances and perimeter that face public streets. The city has \$200,000 currently available to assist HOA's that apply for this money to help pay for any new fencing. The Brookglen HOA is investigating our options and needs to see if we want to participate in the fence program. The initial fence would likely be on the Spencer Hwy side and would most likely be a concrete panel fence. This type of fencing would assist in the aesthetics from the street as well as sound and light protection for the residents behind the fence. The HOA will look into the costs and speak to the residents directly impacted by any fence that would be installed. This matter will be discussed further at a future meeting.

7:30pm – New Business: A resident brought up speeding cars on Oakhaven at Ashton. LPPD Officer Gonzalez was present at the meeting and wrote down the streets and asked what times were the most infractions happening. He said LPPD will monitor that area more closely.

7:32pm – New Business: Treasurer Debra Lopez requested that we consider our annual tree pruning and shaping for the trees at the entrances and cul-de-sacs. A resident (Richard Moore) asked to get 3 bids to ensure we are getting the best price. We are currently paying between \$5k-\$7k a year

7:36pm – Public Comment: resident Richard Moore wants the HOA attorney to be present at the April Board Meeting to discuss the legality and enforceability of Deed Restriction and Bylaw updates made in July 2021.

7:44pm – Community/Area events happening in March were shared with the residents

7:45pm – Public Comment: A resident complained about loud cars and asked Officer Gonzalez if they police can arrest or fine cars that are too loud. The officer said yes, however they have to be there when it happens and use a decibel device to catch them. Residents also have to be willing to press charges. Officer Gonzalez also mentioned that the bathrooms at Brookglen Park were vandalized recently and also warned residents to lock their cars at night and park them in the garage if possible because of catalytic converter thefts, particularly on Toyotas. Residents are encouraged to install security cameras on their homes.

7:53pm – Meeting Adjourned

The next Board Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 14th at 7:00pm in the Brookglen Community Center

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of Residents Signed In = 10

David Turnquist (Secretary)