

**OHECA**  
General Membership Meeting  
March 9th, 2022

Meeting called to order at 8:01 p.m.

**In Attendance-** Board members: Gary Koblitz, Julie Chesser, Patti Alf, Melissa Low, Pawel Kusmierek, Debbie Milford. Resident members: Abigail Malejko, Greg Berson, John Resser, Frank Critelli.

**Absent** - Stacy Cheshire, Pete Lawton, Angela Blackwood, Adair Petty, Ann Hodges, Laura Senich\*, Janet Towles\*, Gary Jensen\*.

\* Advance Notice

1. Treasurer's Submission of 2022 Budget and Status of Audit

Board expenditures approved off line since last meeting:

- the expenditure of a 1 year lease for a storage unit to store OHECA materials
- Tree removal on medians

Budget was submitted with the general membership agenda. It was suggested that the \$100 line item for Neighborhood Watch be removed because we currently do not have a program due to lack of volunteers. It was decided to keep in case a volunteer steps up and we can get the program started again.

Treasurer suggests bylaws be revised to have the budget approved at October Meeting, we will revisit this suggestion.

Three members performed an audit of the budget and the budget structure was revised accordingly. Suggested change proposed - membership and fiscal calendar year should coincide. Audit will be published to the general membership via newsletter

2. Election of Vice President and Treasurer

It was motioned and approved for the reelection of Stacy Cheshire as Vice President and Debbie Milford as Treasurer.

3. Insurance Policy Review Update

Our current insurance policy needs to be renewed by March 23rd. President has contacted multiple insurance companies for quotes, his questions will be distributed to membership. Recommended to renew the current policy and continue over the next year reviewing quotes with other companies.

Purpose of insurance is to protect volunteers, association and board members.

4. Directory Update-

Directory has been sent to the printer for production. Directory costs have gone up due to the cost of paper and the addition of new members which increased the number of pages in the directory.

Directory cost covered by advertisers

Currently we have 30 volunteers available to deliver to directories to deliver to our 443 members.

5. Status of Community Independence Day Parade

We currently do not have a volunteer to organize. Proposed an eagle scout may want to lead and the President will consider pursuing.

No big item pickup due to understaffing of County employees. Shredding event will also be cancelled.

May 8th- Gardening event Orange Hunt Elementary School Parking lot

May 14th- community yard sale

6. Presentation of Modified By-Laws and Vote of Approval

By laws need to be updated and clarified.

General discussion of, and proposed changes to, the bylaws -

- Meeting notifications will be newsletter, message board, website, emails, other message boards president deems appropriate
- Definition of "member" everyone is qualified to be a member however if you don't pay membership you are not a member
- If you publish a vote you need the majority of 26 ance if you don't publish you need the majority
- Ways to submit proxy clarified - "writing" is clarified as -postal mail, email, contact button on website, etc.
- Townhome members can join and receive newsletter and OHECA updates but will not be allowed to vote.
- Minimum membership dues were initially set at \$5 dues will be now ~~lower than~~ \$25
- Dues are payable at the time of enrollment
- Membership is lost if you do not pay your dues in the calendar year.
- President may create and appoint committees
- President shall be responsible to ensure publication of newsletter
- Membership records to be designated to a separate committee not secretary
- Budget is presented at the annual meeting in March, the treasurer will work with membership to make sure dues and membership are up to date.
- All appropriate communication modes designated by president to provide annual membership meeting notice.
- President contingency fund is changed from \$500 to \$1000
- Board spending limit over total budget without member approval raised from \$300 to \$500.
- Money to be kept in a NCUA or FDIC insured financial institution
- Treasurer will maintain a savings account with bulk of surplus funds
- Audit committee to be comprised of 2 individuals, not 3.
- Bylaws can be amended by 2/3rds votes of those present or by proxy if the membership has been notified in writing at least one week in advance

(Note: Complete specific wording of the bylaws with revisions and justifications were disseminated to members well before the meeting. The revised bylaws will be published on the OHECA website to replace the superseded bylaws.)

Next newsletter will be in April. President called for any articles.

Next board meeting will June 8th

Future general membership meetings possible in a meeting room, possibly Sydenstricker SchoolHouse. Board meetings will continue via zoom.

#### 7. Open Discussion

Meeting adjourned 9:09