

## Green Committee Minutes—January 17, 2024

Meeting called to order at 3:00 by Chair Kris Knox.

Attendance: Kris Knox, John MacDonald Condo Board Liaison, Mary Brannin, Annette Ripplinger, Jackie McDougall, Donna Busch, Robert Hayes, and Wendy Sharpe

Guest: Carol Perkinson

Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes made by Mary and seconded by Donna. Motion passed; minutes approved.

### CONDO BOARD REPORT:

John MacDonald from the Condo Board attended the meeting. We will be getting a new board liaison after the new condo board is elected in February. Thank you to John for his service. John brought forward the following items that will be on the ballot in the election:

1. Ballot provides the opportunity to vote for 4 board members with 9 candidates.
2. The Annual IRS approval will be presented.
3. The ballot also addresses a change in section 6.7 regarding the reserves and an increase in reserve fees.

Board meeting tomorrow January 18<sup>th</sup>--Kris will ask for status of irrigation/water audit and for the financial support for the trees in dog park. (John presented the motion last month at the board meeting for the irrigation/water audit.) Kris will also submit a request for the Nancy Robinson memorial tree at the Condo Board meeting.

John was not able to present the motion for a tree in memory of Nancy Robinson. Further work needs to be done on this subject. Kris will address.

Infrastructure Committee is looking at where all water lines located in the park. Will probably get more fire hydrants on the west side of the park when the City of Mesa does the work on 48<sup>th</sup> Street side.

### COMMENTS FROM KRIS:

Road Haven has not responded regarding the seminar on what HOAs are doing about water conversation. Condo Board Chair Lorraine Hee said to contact SRP ourselves for a class on water conservation.

Mary Brannin will do the Grapevine with assistance from Kris.

**Landscape Award:** Donna will take on finding the March winner. Blurb is due by February 10<sup>th</sup> for the Outlines. 501 Debonair is the Landscape winner for January and the winner for February is Mr. Ontario at 602 Debonair.

**Bulletin Board:** Kris will take over the bulletin board until Annette can resume.

## OLD BUSINESS:

**Tree Planting Project:** Landscaping goal is to be ready to plant trees next fall. To achieve this goal, we need to get 3 different bids. Moon Valley, Whitfield, A and P are possibilities.

**Landscape Report:** Kris will submit a request to plant the Nancy Robinson tree at the Condo Board meeting on February 1, 2024.

David Frick is out on leave. No further information on trees and soil. Plan to meet with him in March when he returns to work.

**Water Subcommittee:** No report.

**Recycling:** Updating the recycling signs at the 300 and 600 blocks is being done by Donna and Annette.

Open House—good turnout.

Hobby Center Open House—Saturday, January 27<sup>th</sup>. Signup sheet available. Requesting participation by all members.

## NEW BUSINESS:

Gordy Klofstad cancelled solar panels class. Mary will look for a replacement speaker.

Plastic bag project from Chef Arthur discussed. The bags are good for recycling. Mary will present at Grape Vine.

One Million Trees by 2050 Project by City of Mesa—may have speakers. Recipients need to register trees that are planted. Will promote tree planting at Grape Vine in February. Could make a poster on how to best plant trees.

Ideas from Open House: California Dusters can be used for dusting car vs washing cars. May promote these dusters if they work. Mary has ordered one.

Posters could be made for water conservation in shower houses and pool showers. Can also present shower water conservation at Grape Vines. Poster possibility--do we know where our water is going?

Donna suggested bullet points vs wordiness in the Outlines for easier reading. Mary and Donna will work on this.

Library books—Annette will try to recover the Dry Climate Gardening books.

Carol commented that Mesa has increased the price of non-potable water. VO does have potable and non-potable water separated which has saved money. Sewer system fees have also increased.

**Motion to adjourn:** Motion made to adjourn by Robert and seconded by John. Motion passed.  
The meeting adjourned at 4:05.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy Sharpe, Green Committee Secretary

Next Meeting: **February 21, 2024, at 1 pm.** Note time change!