

**Minutes of Meeting  
Glencoe Neighborhood Homeowners' Association (GNHA)  
June 19, 2014 Richfield Public Library**

Attending in person: Arthur, Connell, DiCarlo, Feth, Fisher, Gates, Gibson, Hutchinson, Mory, Muren, O'Connor/O'Neill, Pierce, Scherba, Verderber and Zeitler.

Attending by proxy: Jirousek, Mayher, Parry and Turoczy

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Joe Verderber. A quorum was confirmed by Secretary Bob Gibson. Records show that notice of the meeting was e-mailed to all homeowners on May 13, 2014 with a reminder on June 4, 2014. Minutes of the June 18, 2013 annual meeting are on the GNHA web site and homeowners were reminded in the notice of the meeting how to access the web site. Therefore the reading of the June 18, 2013 minutes was waived.

Secretary Bob Gibson reported that new homeowners since the last annual meeting are Nelson and Pia Essiet at 3546 Thistle Court and Jim and Brenda Pierce at 3540 Thistle Court. Joe Verderber summarized the contents of the GNHA web site [www.glencoehomeowners.com](http://www.glencoehomeowners.com) and explained what is each homeowner's user name and password.

Ray Jirousek's Treasurer's report was read in his absence by Joe Verderber. All homeowner dues are paid in full. Our liquid funds as of June 4, 2014 were \$55,136. Semi-liquid funds are CDs at Third Federal totaling \$147,850 earning 1.2% and maturing in November 2016. Notice of dues for the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter will be sent near June month end.

President Joe Verderber began his report by passing out copies of a financial statement showing the budgeted and actual expenditures for 2012 and 2013, plus the budget for 2014. A line-by-line explanation of the expenditures and reserves was presented. Joe's summary was that the association's reserves are appropriate, and that no increase in dues is contemplated.

Verderber reported that income taxes were filed before the March 15<sup>th</sup> deadline, and paid through the Electronic Federal Tax Payment System (EFTPS).

Joe explained that each year we require an audit of the financials. Since 2005 this has been done by volunteers from among the homeowners who are not trustees. Joe asked for a volunteer to serve with Kathleen Mayher for 2015. Brenda Pierce volunteered.

Committee Reports:

Painting: Doug Mory reported that 6 homes are now scheduled for re-staining this year. They are homes currently belonging to Arthur/Krasovek, Deighton, Gates, Kasmarcak, Lojek, and Parry. Price quote from J&D is \$4650 per home. Work was to have begun in May, but the weather has interfered. No new specific start date has been received from J&D Painting. Next year there are 8 homes scheduled.

Arboriculture: Dean DiCarlo reported that last year he asked Advanced Arboriculture to be more aggressive in pruning back trees too close to homes. That plus other tree work brought tree maintenance to \$13,139 rather than the budgeted \$6,500.

He will do another walk-through this summer to determine if any tree work is required.

Driveway Sealing: Karen Feth reported that no driveway sealing would take place this year. Karen reminded homeowners that driveway repair or replacement was homeowner's expense and that by pooling together a better price may be obtained. She asked anyone contemplating driveway work to contact her first. She also reported that a recent inspection of our roads by Perrin Asphalt had resulted in certain recommendations for repairs which will be considered by the trustees at their next meeting.

Karen also reported on the neighborhood picnic to take place rain or shine on Saturday June 28, 2014. All were urged to attend.

Landscaping Maintenance: Joe Verderber reported that a "fronts only" mulching would begin late June. Other beds would be cultivated, and a pre-emergent killer would be applied to all beds. Joe also reported that, effective at the conclusion of this annual meeting, he will hand off the responsibilities for lawn maintenance for the coming year to Bob Gibson.

Snow Removal: George Gates reported a record snow year. \$27,787.04 was spent during the 2013-2014 season on snow removal for our roads, driveways and sidewalks. For calendar year 2013 the total was \$30,036. Accordingly, a budget of \$30,000 will be used for 2014. A new 3-year snow removal contract has been submitted by Turfscape and will be signed by us today.

Gutter Cleaning: In Ray Jirousek's absence Joe Verderber reported there would be three gutter cleanings this year. The first and last cleanings of the year would include a flush of the downspouts. TWCC, The Window cleaning Company, has been contracted to clean our gutters. If you are interested in TWCC to clean your windows you will find their contact information on our web site.

Pest Control: Bob Gibson reported that our pest control company has been out and have treated around our foundations.

New Business: Joe asked an open question to see if our homeowners had an interest in refreshing the landscaping of the three islands of the neighborhood. There was mixed low key response.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Bob Gibson  
Secretary