

**Mill Creek Homeowners Association**  
Board Meeting  
September 1, 2009

**Summary Minutes**

1. **Meeting convened.** The meeting convened at 7:30. Board members attending were Neal Grandy (president and Common Grounds Committee), Brian Markot (vice president), Maritza Saavadra (Architectural Review Committee), Janet Eden (Common Grounds Committee), and Addeane Caellegh (secretary).
2. **Minutes.** The minutes for the August meeting were discussed, corrected, and accepted contingent on final revisions.
3. **Board concerns**
  - a. **Rain date for the Mill Creek Block Party.** The decision was confirmed that Sunday, Sept. 20 would be the rain date for the party. The children's moonwalk would be not available on Sunday.
  - b. **Revise the covenants.** Brian Markot suggested that a working group should be formed to study revisions to the covenants. The Board agreed. An announcement will be put into the Fall newsletter.
4. **Homeowners' issues/comments/concerns**
  - a. **Corner of Quail Crossing and Mill Creek** -- about vehicle parking on street. The homeowner is concerned about a large lawn-service trailer parked along the street. The Board's usual view has been that neighbors with concerns should first talk to the neighbor involved. The Board should only be brought into the discussion if issues cannot be resolved between neighbors and if there is a clear contravention of the covenants.
  - b. **Party parking.** The Board appreciated the email message sent by a Graystone homeowner to his neighbors, notifying them of an upcoming party that would bring larger number of cars into the street. A Board member commented again that cars parked on both sides of the street could easily prevent an ambulance or fire truck from getting through.
5. **Treasurer's Report**

No Treasurer's Report was available.
6. **Old Business**
  - a. **118 Mill Creek** – about ‘the red house.’ The Board decided that the president would send a letter to the owners reminding them of the approved colors and that when the house is next painted it will need to be with an approved house color.
  - b. **“No Soliciting” sign.** A Board member raised again the idea of having a “No Soliciting” sign posted on Mill Creek Drive. Lake Reynovia and Foxcroft each

has one. Several questions were raised: how such a policy would be enforced; who sells such signs; whether they were wood or metal; how expensive they are; and whether a second sign would be needed at the Southern Parkway entrance. Discussion will be continued once more information is available.

**7. Common Grounds Committee**

There were no issues to be discussed.

**8. Architectural Review Committee**

- a. 1381 Gristmill** – a preliminary inquiry about building a studio behind the house. The Board discussed whether separate buildings are allowed, that many already exist, and whether they must be built of cedar (as opposed to other woods or Hardiplank). The discussion will be resumed if a specific proposal is submitted.

**9. New Business**

- a. September newsletter.** The Board reviewed a draft of the Fall newsletter, making corrections and suggestions. A revised version will be sent to the president for final changes and approval and then will be distributed as soon as possible.
- b. Block Party.** The party is scheduled for Saturday, September 19 (3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday), with Sunday, September 20, as a rain date.

**10. Next board meeting.** The next Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 6, at 7:30, in the Calvary Baptist Church.

**11. Meeting adjourned.** The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

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These minutes were reviewed and approved, contingent on noted revisions, at the regular Board meeting on October 6, 2009. Revisions were made after the meeting.