

# Marion's Garden HOA Meeting Minutes

The monthly MGHOA meeting was held Tuesday April 14, via Zoom at 6:00 PM. Virtually present were President Mike Weisgram, Vice President Marlin Roseland, Treasurer Jennifer Anderson, Secretary Todd Bowman, Board Members Gary Johnson, Reg Nelsen & Matt Mitchell.

Board members read the March Minutes. Johnson motioned to approve the minutes, Roseland seconded. Motion carried.

## Financials/Bills

Anderson reviewed the financials with reports, bills to pay, dues, etc. Bills submitted included: Capital Area Refuse for dumpster \$109.14; Casey Tibbs Rodeo Center for annual meeting \$135.01; AGE Corp for wall repairs \$31,653.12; and AGE Corp for Storm Sewer Repairs \$2,207.86. Only four HOA dues remain outstanding and Anderson will reach out to the respective owners. As of 3/31/20 MGHOA had \$84,791.91 in the General Fund, \$40,000 in the Canal Fund and \$40,000 in the Dredge/Future improvement fund. The previous MGHOA minutes included bids from contractors for the wall repairs; however, the minutes only referenced the Sheet Pile estimate and did not include mobilization, concrete removal, or storm drain costs. The exclusion of these costs in the minutes did not have any adverse effect on the choice of contractor, and overall costs came in below what was estimated.

Weisgram will contact Casey Tibbs Rodeo Center to ask for future credit toward next year's meeting since a physical meeting will not be held this year due to COVID-19. Roseland moved to accept the financials & pay bills pending Casey Tibbs agreement to future credit, Nelsen seconded. Johnson abstained. Motion carried.

## Old Business:

Speeding: No update.

Fishing habitat: A number of homeowners have placed artificial habitat under their docks. Results will be pending.

Public fishing in the parks: Johnson will delegate the pursuit of "Private Property" signs.

Silt trap landscaping: Clean-up day could be used to work on this project. One concrete pillow needs adjusted. More bids pending.

Nelsen will apply for a spraying permit to spray the canal for weeds. Nelsen visited with an expert that indicated if we're not seeing weeds, we should not spray. Currently the canal is free of weeds.

It's been reported that multiple cars are parked on the street at the Morris home (formerly Jepsen). Weisgram discussed with the owners and the parking has improved.

Zebra Mussels – Nelsen researched what it would cost to treat the canal. Estimate was \$3,000,000, which is not feasible. Homeowners will continue to watch for zebra mussels.

Clean Up Day – May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Mitchell will head this. It was suggested we find volunteers and form small groups to do various clean-up projects and be cognizant of COVID-19, social distancing, and limit group

sizes. Doug & Cooper Day spent some time cleaning dead trees along the empty lots on Port Charlotte, with Mitchell assisting with a dump trailer. That effort is appreciated!

Annual MGHOA Meeting May 12<sup>th</sup> via Zoom meeting. A physical meeting would be against current social distancing and group event guidelines. Anderson has the ability to create a Zoom meeting for anyone that wants to attend.

Yard Sale has been cancelled for 2020 due to COVID-19.

**Committee reports:**

Canal: The wall failure at Richardson/Ambur homes has been repaired successfully. It was determined that the city storm sewer was the cause, and Weisgram will approach the city of Fort Pierre for possible cost sharing. Weisgram and Nelsen will do a wall walk to determine if any additional repairs need to be done, including a look at the storm drain between the Coyle/Day homes.

Architectural – No update.

Website – No update.

Social – New Chair is JoAnn Nelsen with Marty Davis and Kate Olson on the committee.

Parks – Playground equipment will need stained this year. The stain has already been purchased. Some bids were received to remove the ash trees in the park, and the number of trees to be removed needed adjusted on one bid. An email vote will happen soon to select the contractor to remove the trees. Once the trees are removed we can move forward with bids on drainage and the possibility of a covered structure for gatherings.

**New business**

Marso Lawn service contacted Mitchell and indicated he would do the service for the same price this year. He did a good job so we will continue to utilize his services for the parks.

The trash from the apartments has become an issue blowing around the neighborhood. Weisgram will discuss with the property manager the possibility of more dumpsters or more frequent pick up.

Nelsen, Bowman, and Anderson's terms are up and Weisgram asked each to let him know if we planned to continue to serve.

Nelsen was approached by a homeowner about a community garden, possibly located in the empty lots on Port Charlotte. Water would be an issue and permission of lot owners would need to happen.

Tabled for now.

Being no further business, motion by Mitchell, second by Nelsen to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM. Next Monthly meeting will be May 12<sup>th</sup> after the annual meeting.

Submitted by Todd Bowman MGHOA Secretary



### **Addendum to April 14, 2020 Minutes**

On April 20, 2020, the following was vetted via email:

Bids were finalized for removing the trees and all were the same price. It was decided to go with Dakota Sprinkler & Landscaping because they are located in Fort Pierre, and the bid was \$3,000.

Due CDC Safety Guidelines as a result of the current Covid-19 outbreak, the committee discussed moving the Annual MGHOA Members Meeting to the fall so we can have the meeting in person.

Anderson Moved to accept the Dakota Sprinkler and Landscaping bid and move the meeting to the fall as discussed (date to be determined later), Roseland seconded. Motions carried via unanimous email vote.