

CVCNA Annual Meeting January 13, 2024

Board Officers and Members in Attendance

Adam Atkinson; Derick Bright (Grounds and Infrastructure Committee Chair); Karen Dall; Jeanne Darroca; Taylor Davis; Stan Geidel (Secretary); Autumn Grismore (Resident Engagement Committee Chair); Marty Hillery; Amanda Kishel (President); Dustan Smith (Pool Director and Pool Committee Chair); Josh Sprague (Treasurer); Daniel Tasson (Vice President)

Absent

None

Guests in Attendance

Naomi Schricker, neighborhood resident

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Amanda Kishel at 9:10 am. A quorum of at least 7 Board members was present, allowing official business to take place.

Secretary's Report

- The minutes from the December meeting were presented for approval. [Properly moved for adoption with no changes; seconded; adopted by voice consent with none opposed.]
- Meeting minutes are available on the CVCNA website for public review.

Treasurer's Report

- Six pool memberships were sold at 2023 prices prior to December 31. This opportunity to receive the 2023 rate via a pre-season purchase was advertised publicly on the CVCNA website. The new pool rates for 2024 are now in effect.
- The Treasurer's report was reviewed and presented for approval.
 [Properly moved for adoption; seconded; adopted by voice consent with none opposed.]
- The Treasurer's reports are available on the CVCNA website for public review.

Group Discussion of the New CVCNA Website

- A webpage with information about the pool will be added.
- The calendar will be updated to include the dates of the garage sales, the pool opening, and the Board of Directors elections.
- The Dues Drive webpage will be modified to reorder the dues payment options (Gold, Silver, Bronze, Regular).
- The addition of a rotating banner to advertise neighborhood events will be explored.

General Planning and Ideas for 2024

- Board members were asked to state their intentions for Board membership in 2024. Marty
 Hillery indicated he was planning to step down after completing his current term. Marty's long
 service to the neighborhood is acknowledged with deep appreciation. His wise counsel will
 certainly be missed.
- The Board will focus on finding volunteers from the neighborhood to assist with specific events.
- In 2023, the Happy Cans cleaning service cleaned the trash cans of CVCNA members at no cost to the member households. This service will again be offered at no cost to CVCNA members in 2024. The associated costs will be met through a budget allocation.
- The lettering on the neighborhood entrance signs needs to be painted. This project will be scheduled for 2024.
- The formation of a neighborhood Euchre Club was proposed and will be explored.

2024 Dues Drive Outcome

199 households contributed a total of \$23,300. The 2024 Dues Drive took place during the months of September and October, 2023, a change from past practice. This new schedule will continue going forward.

Goal Setting and Budget Allocations

The group broke out into committees (Resident Engagement; Pool; Grounds and Infrastructure) to set specific goals and activities for 2024 and to determine budget requests.

Resident Engagement Committee

The following activities were proposed for 2024:

- A 5K Run/Walk through the neighborhood. A fee will be charged for participation. Funds raised will be added to the neighborhood budget. There will be no associated budgetary costs.
- A Yard of the Month contest. There will be no additional budgetary costs.
- A Progressive Dinner Party. A progressive dinner party is a multi-course dinner that is served at multiple houses. Diners travel from house to house, eating a single course at each destination.
 The costs associated with each course will be the responsibility of each host. There will be no associated budgetary costs.
- A Neighborhood Photography Contest. Winning photos will be added to the CVCNA website. There will be no associated budgetary costs.
- A Playground Ribbon Cutting Ceremony will be held on June 5 at 4:00 pm to recognize the major donors to the playground. \$100 budget request.
- The following traditional neighborhood events will again be held in 2024:
 - Easter Egg Hunt (March 30, 1:00 pm). \$400 budget request.
 - Halloween Candy Giveaway. We will use the same Trick or Treat date as the City of Muncie. \$200 budget request.
 - Christmas Carnival (December 6, 5:00 7:30 pm; rain date, December 7, 5:00 7:30 pm).
 \$200 budget request.
- The committee suggested the discontinuation of Adult Night swims due to declining participation. Instead, it was proposed that the pool remain open one hour longer on Fridays.

Other items:

- Members of the Resident Engagement Committee will meet in February to discuss a new plan for neighborhood communications via social media.
- The Welcome Committee will greet new residents on April 21 at 2:00 pm. \$100 budget request.

Pool Committee

The following rates for 2024 pool memberships were presented for a vote:

- Single person membership (available to adults only, for one named individual): \$230 (\$35 increase)
- Grandparents membership (includes grandparents and grandchildren; does not include parents of the grandchildren): \$330 (\$35 increase)
- Family membership (includes only those family members who reside in the member household): \$435 (\$50 increase)

[Properly moved for adoption; seconded; adopted by voice consent with none opposed]

When setting the rates, consideration was given to the rising costs associated with pool chemicals; necessary and anticipated repairs; the need for additional seating; and a new plan to drain and refill the pool mid-season to help maintain water quality. A special effort was made to keep increases as modest as possible.

Pool Hours for 2024

- Staying open one hour later in the evening on Fridays will be considered. This later closing would replace the Friday night Adult Swims.
- The pool will open at noon on Saturdays instead of at 11:00 am. Pool usage during the Saturday 11:00 hour was minimal.
- Family Swim Nights will continue; dates will be determined.

New for 2024

- Sun shade sail canopies will be installed in the grassy area on the east side of the pool. The required posts are already in place. Seating will be purchased for this area. The children's swing set will remain in place.
- Pool cubbies will be installed on the pool deck to allow for organized storage of small items.
- Due to aging pool equipment, it is anticipated that the water quality issues that plagued the pool in 2023 will remain an ongoing issue. To help address this concern, the following changes will occur for 2024:
 - During the pool season, the pool will close for one 2-day period (likely a Monday and Tuesday) to drain and refill the pool. This 2-day closure will be announced in advance.
 - A revised chemical treatment plan will be implemented.

Grounds and Infrastructure Committee

Potential activities for 2024 include the following:

- Widen the paths through the Butterfly Garden to address the encroachment of plants into the pathways.
- Add mulch to the Butterfly Garden paths and Nature Corner path. \$1,000 budget request.

- A corn hole tournament (no budget request; fee charged for participation)
- A 3-on-3 basketball tournament was proposed and will be considered.
- The poles on the site of the old volleyball court will be removed.
- The edging will be raised around the entrance sign to Creekwood to help prevent grass clippings from getting into the mulch.

Other items:

- Bags are needed for the dog waste stations. \$200 budget request.
- Snow plowing will no longer automatically be triggered by a certain amount of snowfall. Rather, the Grounds Committee Chairperson will communicate with our plowing contractor to make decisions about plowing and salting on a case-by-case basis.
- The cost of plowing this year will be \$1,000 per plowing.
- Our plowing contractor may be unable to plow areas where too many cars are parked on the street. The cooperation of residents in removing their cars from the street during snow storms is essential.
- The addition of a 3-hole disc golf course was discussed. This may be pursued in 2024 if sufficient funds remain the budget. The cost would be approximately \$2,500.

Meeting Dismissal

Having concluded our official business, President Amanda Kishel dismissed the meeting at 12:04 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Stan Geidel, Secretary