

**Greater Oak Hills Civic Association (GOHCA)  
Board Meeting Minutes for December 19, 2017**

**Officers:**

President – Brian Hanchey  
Vice-President—Beau Wolfe  
Treasurer—Rodney Underwood  
Secretary—Emme Stansbury

**Officer, Board, and Committee Attendees:**

Brian Hanchey, Emme Stansbury, Libby Ammon, Ellen Elias, Kim Moore, Jimmy Clarke, Martha Austin, and Steve Toban

The GOHCA met on Tuesday, December 19, 2017 at the LSU Hilltop Arboretum. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm. by President Brian Hanchey. Quorum was present.

1. President Brian Hanchey opens meeting with a greeting to attendees and distributes the meeting's agenda.
  
2. **Speed bumps on N. Oak Hills/Oak Hills Pkwy and stop sign painted intersections:**
  - a. The request for a stop sign on N. Oak Hills Parkway at Twisted Oak was denied.
  - b. Brian Hanchey filed a new request for speed bumps. The previous request could not be located in the 311 (EBR) system, even though the timing cables had been placed on N. Oak Hills Pkwy for a couple of weeks. He is waiting for a call back from Pat Summerall in the Traffic Engineer's Office to explore cheaper costing speed bumps than those quoted. He suggested the type installed in the Homewood Subdivision on Madere Drive (rubber speed bumps at \$2000 each).

Board member Ellen Elias informed the board that Jennifer and Woody Scott had gotten permission for the installation of 4 speed bumps on N. Oak Hills Pkwy at a cost of \$5000 each. They also need 65% of N. Oak Hills Pkwy residents to approve the installation. President Hanchey suggested that they enlist the help of Haido and Mary Juneau to get the signatures.

The timing cables reported the average speed of 34 mph (25 mph zone) and a high volume of cars at 2500 cars on one particular day.
  - c. White lines to be painted at stop signs. We must get permission from the parish first. It was suggested to ask a boy scout working on his Eagle Scout Badge to complete the painting project.
  - d. A suggestion was made to look into lighted stop signs that work on solar power and also to look into the cost of replacing existing stop signs and whether permission must be granted to do so.
  
3. **Light at Highland Road entrance:**

Vice President Beau Wolfe called 311 and put in a request to repair the light. It should be repaired by Friday, December 22.
  
4. **Crime Prevention and recent car break-ins:**
  - a. The Sheriff's office has an officer liaison to help home owner associations find quality camera systems.
  - b. Vehicle burglary reports show that Oak Hills had 2 car break-ins in September, 1 in October, 3 in November, and 9 in December. The December burglaries concentrated on Mossy Oak Ave. on the 18<sup>th</sup> between 1 and 7 AM, and Oakdale Dr. on the 13<sup>th</sup> between 5 and 7:20 AM. There was one on Twisted Oak on the 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:40 PM.

**5. Naughty List:**

As per the last meeting, President Brian Hanchey was to compose a letter to send out to the homeowners on the naughty list. He didn't want to send out letters right before the holidays, so he will wait until after the New Year.

**6. Real Estate Report:**

Board member Libby Ammon presented the December report to the board.

- a. There are 3 active properties, 2 sold properties, and 2 pending properties at this time.
- b. For the 2 properties that sold, the average listing price was \$415,000 and the average selling price was \$400,250 with an average of \$143.56 per square foot.

**7. Open Discussion from Board members and/or guests:**

Guest Marty Lensing, a retired law enforcement officer and former board member, came to discuss crime prevention. He retired from the Department of Corrections as the Warden at Hunt Correctional and also taught courses in Law Enforcement. He said the best, most effective security system is neighbors watching out for neighbors.

On the topic of patrols-vs- surveillance cameras: He cited a well-known study that states police patrols are not a deterrent to crime. He suggested enhanced security monitoring with high quality cameras would be the most pro-active action we could take. He suggested using the funds available to install these systems at the entrances to the subdivisions. Perhaps the homeowners of the nearest houses would be willing to mount the cameras on their homes in return for a reduced/omitted association fee?

8. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM.