

SIA special board meeting - 1/23/19

Fred and Caren Levin's House

Present - Judie Berger, Caren Levin, Fred Levin, Kumar Mahadevan, Clay Keeley, Marilyn Romanus, Pam Akins, Dave Thompson, Jerry McLaughlin

Kumar called meeting to order at 7:07 PM

1. Discussion on moving fiscal year and annual meeting. The Annual meeting must be in the final month of the FY to update members and install Board for coming year.

Moved to move fiscal year to 3/1 - 2/28(9). All voted in favor.

2. Discussing dues. Last dues increase was in 2000. Proposed increasing by \$50 due to increased expenses (no more pro bono attorney). The group believes that SIA should maintain a bank balance of at least \$25K.

Under consideration is presenting to the membership the big expenses: legal, insurance, utilities, picnic and annual dinner with the amounts to make clear the expenses that SIA incurs on a regular basis. The members need to understand that a strong SIA is necessary to preserve property values and maintain standards.

Fred moves to increase dues. Assuming that the FY change passes, anyone who already paid \$100 for 2018-19 will be asked for \$50 to extend to 2/28/20. All new payments will be \$150. Members will be given 90-days notice of the pay increase. Dave seconds. All in favor.

The Board agrees that a cover letter should be sent to advise the membership of the FY and dues increase.

There was much discussion about how to handle the increase in terms of the current FY versus the new FY, versus the proposed 4-month extension of the current FY. One thought is asking people to pay \$50 to extend to 2/28/2020.

3. Membership. Marilyn agrees to take over membership and continue to be treasurer. She wants to transition out of hospitality, but will handle the Annual dinner.
4. Annual Dinner meeting. Kumar says that the topic will be a "call to action" for SIA and there will be no speakers.
5. Discussion of new shed at 5548 Shadow Lawn. Fred has met with homeowner and the house next door has a shed on the side. Sheds are not unique to SIA, they are usually better hidden. The shed is in compliance with SIA covenants since it does not infringe on the setbacks. This is a unique shaped lot and putting the shed in the backyard is not an option, without blocking canal views. The homeowner has agreed to increase landscaping to make the shed less visible from Shadow Lawn. Also, the windows and doors will be painted black and the exterior will match the house color.

The Board approved the shed. Fred will write-up a special approval for the shed and send to homeowners.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM

6. Meeting started back up to discuss the president's role. Pam said that if everyone maintains their current roles, she will step into the president's role through the proposed extended FY. Dave Thompson agreed to be VP so Kumar can step down from the VP role. Fred moved that Pam become President. Clay seconded. Dave become VP. All approved.

Meeting adjourned at 8:47 PM