

OAKRIDGE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCTATION **GENERAL MEETING USING ZOOM** February 22, 2024



CALL TO ORDER: Vickie Litton opened the general meeting at 7:00 PM. Attendance was 24 members via Zoom, quorum met. See attached list of Attendees and the Meeting Slide Deck.





General Membership Meeting Deck - Feb 2(list_2.22.24.xlsx

Attendance

- Officer Murphy reported that Oakridge is one of the 2nd or 3rd safest neighborhoods in Garland. Discussed the ongoing investigation of golf carts stolen from the Duck Creek Golf Club with leads from a neighbor's security camera but no leads from the flock cameras.
- Dylan Hedrick, our City Councilperson, shared the state of the City and Bond Projects of the Branch Library and flower wall. Music series to start at the Downtown Square starting March 1 with Gary P. Nunn. Red, White, and You on July 3rd will feature a drone light show. North Garland Branch Library has free meeting places open for reservations Mr. Hedrick responded to several questions from the audience.
- JC Elliott reviewed the General Meeting minutes from the September 28, 2023. Jackie Jones motioned to approve the minutes and Sarah Freeman seconded. The motion carried.
- The Nominating Committee was presented. They will need members' help with potential candidates for several open positions. Cecile Labossiere motioned to approve the committee and Jackie Reynolds seconded. The motion carried.
- Treasurer Sarah Freeman said adjustments are being made to meet the budget due to lower membership. Ms. Freeman mentioned that most of the costs come from perimeter maintenance and that Platinum Scapes will be switched to a lower cost group. Storage costs have been reduced by moving to a lower cost unit. Maintenance repair expenses as been higher to the aging sprinkler system.
- Membership: Cecile LaBossiere that Membership was 273 households. ONA Membership drive for 2024-25 FY starts in mid-April with raffles and pop-ups.
- Communications- Cheryl Jones will be leaving the Board and a replacement is needed. Ms. Jones mentioned 80-85% of members are clicking on the newsletter.
- Environmental: Joshua Lamb mentioned the transition from Platinum Scapes to Goodbee saving \$1000 annually with more visibility. Spring planting and pre-emergent is planned. Mr. Lamb submitted the initial application for the Neighborhood Vitality Grant for hardscaping the medians at Ridge Oak and Laurel Oaks to reduce water and maintenance costs.
- Events- Jackie Reynolds provided an update on the preparations for the ONA Family Spring Picnic on Sunday, May 5 from 1 to 3 PM and Plant Exchange on May 25.

- District Directors provided a few updates.
- **ADJOURN:** The meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM. (Vickie Litton motioned. Joan Nichols second. All approved.
- The next General Meeting will be May 23, 2024.