BelAir Board Meeting 6/04/2012 FULL VERSION

Attendance: Jeanne Greene, Sharon Bushouse, Mike Radtke, J Brown, Wayne Harmon, Virginia Anders, Juanita Soto-Ayers, Gracie Morales, Melanie Thomson-Legendre

The May 7 board meeting minutes were approved, pending corrections.

The Treasurer's Report was approved as presented.

Jeanne read aloud the bylaws description of the election of officers prior to the board choosing the 2012 - 2013 slate of officers. The new officers are as follows:

President – Jeanne Greene Vice-president – Juanita Soto-Ayers Secretary – Virginia Anders Treasurer – Mike Radtke

For future discussion: the treasurer should become part of the BlockWatch committee

COMMITTEES:

Community Enhancement – Jeanne has only seen sunflowers in Wayne's yard. We need to promote the planting of more sunflowers around the neighborhood as an identifying item. Wayne volunteered to join the Community Enhancement committee. The board described the activities involved.

Crime Prevention: Dan and Virginia will patrol this week. Dan was unavailable for two weeks.

Block Watch Grant: Carrie described some of the usual expenses paid for through the BW grant, including postcard mailings and general meeting expenses. We paid \$50 out of the general budget for the use of tables and chairs for the general meeting, by board choice, not in response to a request from the church, besides the 40.00 space rental fee.

Plants that Sharon purchased at Bakers' Nursery for the bridge enhancement will be reimbursed through the general budget, since Home Depot is the City's only authorized vendor.

Committee to Review Bylaws – The entire board will participate in the bylaws review. Questions to consider: What needs to be changed? What is no longer relevant? How many board members do we want? The last revision was in 2007, which Wayne participated in. He cautioned the group that it may take awhile. Wayne suggested we number every line of the document, for consistent referral. Virginia will take notes on the discussions. As a result, we will have an electronic version of the by-laws. Those who want to meet, physically, can do so. Others may want to simply comment online. We don't need to meet during the regular monthly board meetings – it would make them too long. We will begin meeting on July 9, at 6:30 pm, half an hour before the monthly board meeting starts.

Old Business: All the open board positions are filled, except for Sebaztshen's. As an issue for the bylaws discussion, perhaps have only 11, or in other words, an odd number. The board voted to wait to fill his position until we have a chance to review the bylaws.

We will determine the time and day of the monthly board meetings at the July meeting.

Discussion: Mike said that electronic communications have been uneven. Not everyone responds to messages sent out. In order to overcome the issue, Mike has set up a Blackboard-like discussion group. Only board members able to send to this address. Only board members will receive e-mail copies of the discussions. Anyone would be able to view the discussions. Open meeting laws may or may not be relevant. We will experiment with this format to see if this works for us.

Jeanne gave flowers from her garden to Carrie for all her hard work for the board. She can't be appointed currently, so she honored her with the flowers., and everyone applauded in appreciation of Carrie.

Melanie reminded everyone to vote on her laptop for the Yard-of-the Quarter from the candidates displayed there.

The meeting adjourned at 9:06 pm

The July board meeting will be July 9, 1835 W. Glenrosa, 7pm in the Evangelical Lutheran Church classroom the first bylaws review will begin at 6:30 pm