

Nauset Heights Association, Inc.
Annual Meeting Minutes
August 17, 2013
Home of Janet & Michael Wall
47 Nauset Heights Road
****Revised 9/4/13****

- President Carl Trevison called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m. and thanked the Walls in absentia for hosting the meeting
- Carl advised the members that NHA caps are available at the sign-in table
- Carl remembered those members and neighbors we lost during the past 12 months –
 - Lucretia Romen – December 2, 2012
 - Mary Williamson – April 10, 2013
 - Dr. Owen Calderwood- May 4, 2013
 - Dr. Howard Randall Deming- May 5, 2013
 - Harriet Wicke- June 18, 2013
 - David Dunaway- June 24, 2013
- Carl introduced our guest speaker, Senior Chief Rob Golie, USCG, Commander of the Chatham Coast Guard Station, who gave a wonderful and very informative presentation on the Coast Guard, their mission and history and how they work within our communities. A donation will be made to the Orleans Rescue Squad Association on his behalf.
- Carl introduced the current Board of Directors:
 - Jim Tyng – 1st VP
 - Sandy Davidson – 2nd VP
 - King Nelson – Past President
 - Kathy Pattison – Corresponding Secretary
 - Joan Corcoran – Newsletter
 - King Nelson – Acting Recording Secretary
 - Fred Turner – Treasurer
 - Bob Munson – Clerk
 - Adele Bloomfield – Director – term ends this month
 - Skip Appleyard – Director – term ends this month
 - Tina Butler – Director to 2014
 - Joyce Hoffman – Director to 2014
 - Charlie Carlson – Director to 2015
 - Jackie Rockwood – Director to 2015
 - Carl Trevison – President
- Carl noted the fantastic job that both Kathy Pattison and Dave Strickler have done on the new database, Directory and membership renewal process. Todd Ash echoed the praises.

- New NHA members who joined the association in 2012 and thus far in 2013 were invited to introduce themselves and none was present
- King reviewed the minutes from the July 2013 Member Meeting
- Carl gave an introduction into the financial report by discussing the budgeting process. He said two things will be different going forward if the membership approves the proposed changes. The stairs are well-funded and the Board is trying to be more proactive in classifying budgeted items. He explained the Board would like to have a Capital Fund for the stairs and other hard goods and an Operational Fund. Additionally, since events are depleting the Operational funds annually, a proposed increase of \$10 in the dues will be brought up for approval. Dave Strickler made a motion to increase the annual dues by \$10 and it was seconded by Sandy Davidson. The motion passed unanimously.
- Fred reviewed the Treasurer's Report, citing that the Lawn Party had about 200 attendees. The Operational Fund has been running an annual deficit of about \$2000 for the last 3 years, and the savings account has \$6722. He explained we will identify and budget capital items and projects across a 3-5 year window. The Treasurer's Report was approved.
- Peter Previdi asked where the insurance for the stairs comes from and Fred indicated it is a work in progress to determine if it should be in the old Stairs Fund or paid out of the Operational Fund. The Directors and Officers insurance is paid for out of the Operational Fund. Dave Strickler made a motion to accept the Treasurers Report, which was seconded and approved unanimously.
- Brief reports were provided on this year's activities:
 - **Sand Sculpture** – Kathy said this event in its second year was again a success with 80-90 people in attendance. There were less entries – 11 this year – but with larger teams. Thanks to Terri Rosengren and Jon Wigren for serving as judges.
 - **Tennis Tournament** – Jim said this year's July event will be flipped to the second week of August in 2014, as is the practice of rotating events for greater exposure to members. There were two events this year – Mixed Doubles (won by Heidi and Casey Piche) and Men's Singles (Chad Small). Jim showed off the trophy engraved with the winners' names.
 - **Lawn Party** – Carl described the event, saying it was a huge success, with 208 attendees at the Brezina property. He thanked Pat Tyng for the beautiful floral arrangements.
 - **Golf Outing** – Fred said there was a gentle rain for this August 13 event, but the 15 players enjoyed lunch and the round of golf
 - **Beach Bonfire** – this first-time event will be held the night of the Annual Meeting at 7:00 p.m., opposite the NHA stairs on the ocean side. [Approximately 70 people showed up for a beautiful bonfire, Smores and great fun at this new annual event.]
 - **Fall Clean-up** – to be held on Saturday October 19, 2013, beginning at 9:00 a.m. from 17 Doane Road
- Carl reminded the Annual Meeting attendees about Joni Corcoran's idea of neighborhood interest groups – Mah Jongg, bridge, etc. – that might be started

- Nominating Committee slate of candidates -- Bob Munson thanked Barbara Wigren for assisting in compiling the following slate of candidates, which took the form of a motion, was seconded and approved unanimously:
 - Jeff Larsen -- Director through 2016
 - Peter Previdi – Directory through 2016
 - Fred Turner – Treasurer
 - Kathy Pattison – Corresponding Secretary
 - King Nelson – Secretary
 - Bob Munson – Clerk

- Additional Business: Carl described the association’s 2012 efforts to have natural gas extended further into Nauset Heights beyond Hank Schmacher’s house, that received no response from National Grid. He then announced that Peter Previdi has been successful, working with a contact at the utility, in obtaining a commitment to extend the line down Nauset Heights Road and connection to four homes contiguous to the Previdi property at 33 Nauset Heights Road for \$1000 a home. Marilyn Tropsa related her recent contact with National Grid when they told her it would cost \$26,000 to bring the line down Rabbit Run to her house. The main currently runs past this point on Nauset Heights Road. Dave Strickler proposed we get a larger group of people to spur interest in having the utility extend the line. Peter Previdi described his negotiations with the gas company, emphasizing the driver is the number of potential customers. There was subsequent discussion and a lot of apparent interest in connecting to gas. Dave Strickler asked the attendees for an informal count of who would be seriously interested in gas conversion of the price was around \$1000 to connect. Approximately 50% of the 40+ attendees indicated their serious interest.

- Barbara Wigren, as NHA historian, thanked Sherry Tenney for providing her with a cache of old NHA newsletters so she can compile a list of past presidents for the association

- Todd Ash proposed the NHA make a \$100 donation to speakers’ selected charities rather than our current practice of \$75. Carl indicated this sounded like a good idea and one that would be discussed at the next Board meeting in September.

- Carl indicated he had spoken with Mark Budnick of the Highway Department regarding the situation Dick Rowson presented at the July member meeting. There are plans in process to fix the storm-water drainage situation down Doane Road, that causes water to run down Alden Road and flood properties to the west of Alden Road.

- The meeting was adjourned at 10:37 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Kingsley H. Nelson
Acting Recording Secretary