



Candlelight Oaks

A meeting of the Candlelight Oaks Civic Club was held on Thursday, February 15 and called to order at 7:30.

The following individuals were elected unanimously as officers and committee chairs:

President, Sandy Ericksen

Security, Hope Edmondson

Vice President and Pool Committee, Lori Bulla

Landscape Chair, John Carr

Secretary, Johanna Wolfe

Social Chair, Richard Solis

Treasurer, Justin Schrader

Deed Restriction Chair, Aaron Brisendine

Lori Bulla provided a pool report. There may be the need for a pump repair or replacement, further information is expected within 10 days. A decision will be made at the March 2024 meeting regarding next steps and confirmation of membership and rental levels for 2024.

Lori has completed information requested by Reserve Study Group, the firm assessing the financial capacity of Candlelight Oaks' Civic Club related to the reserve fund and ability to accommodate future repair and replacement costs for capital assets. Once all information is provided, RSG will do a site visit to the CO pool. Their turnaround time for reports is approximately three weeks.

Hope Edmondson provided a security report. There have been no security issues of note in the recent past. Homeland Protective Services continues to provide security services for Candlelight Oaks and has not raised rates in several years.

John Carr had no report regarding landscaping. Sandy will connect him with the landscaping company that provides neighborhood services. A community wide service project will be planned for the Spring.

John reported on an ongoing issue of concern with a neighbor on the north side of Tidwell who is feeding large numbers of raccoons in her back yard. She has been unresponsive to requests from her adjacent neighbors to stop the activity which is leading to damage at their homes. John has attempted to speak with her in person with no success. The activity is out of compliance with Candlelight Oaks deed restrictions and the City of Houston's code of ordinances contained within Section 6. Neighbors are encouraged to file complaints with 713-884-3131. John will continue efforts to contact her.

Annual Social events were discussed: Easter Egg hunt for March 23, Memorial Day and Labor Day picnics at the pool. Richard Solis will contact the prior chair to get information about past events. Johanna Wolfe offered to assist with securing food trucks. There was discussion of how to manage costs, which will be continued at a later date.

Justin Schrader provided a treasurer's report. As of the February 15, 74% of neighbors have paid their 2024 dues. This is consistent with payment rates at this time in 2023. A late notice was mailed the first week in February to all unpaid residents. Overdue fees will increase monthly for unpaid fees.

A summary of 2023 Financials –

Total Income	\$104,8623
Total Expenses	\$121, 242
Net Income	-\$16,361

As of 2/1/2024 Savings and Checking (combined) \$152,655

Aaron Brisendine will collaborate with John Carr to manage deed restrictions and notices to neighbors. Aaron will also assist with updating the Candlelight Oaks webpage and ensure that minutes are posted in a timely fashion. Sandy will assist by securing needed login credentials for Aaron, who has also volunteered to help streamline other technology and communication concerns for the Board.

The final discussion of the meeting focused on identifying members to serve on an Architectural Control Committee and state requirements for establishing a committee and setting expectations. Several individuals have indicated an interest in this role, and Aaron and John will be in touch with those persons in order to recommend members of an ACC at the March meeting of the Board.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Johanna Wolfe
Secretary