

## **GNA General Meeting Minutes – 18 October 2006**

### Attendees:

Board Members: Eric Dorris, Jeannette Burger, Carol Lee, Tom Pullum, Mari Barreda

Residents: 15 households and 74 Proxies

### Minutes:

Tom Pullum called the meeting to order at 7:15pm at Shepherd of the Hills Church and enjoined discussion on the following items:

1. **President's Report:**

Tom thanked everyone for their attendance and reviewed the accomplishments for the year, including a professional re-design of the GNA Web site, installing landscaping at the gatehouse entrance, planning and preliminary work for a sharing library in the gatehouse, and clearing weeds and limbs that were obstructing the neighborhood roads. He also discussed ongoing problems, including the difficulty of finding volunteers to serve on the ACC and the Board, a volunteer to manage the database and newsletter, and loose dogs.

2. **Treasurer's Report:**

Mari reported that dues collection for 2006 improved from 101 to 108 participating households. With 10% of the households paying more than the required \$75/year dues we collected \$9,000 this year. Expenses were mostly in line with the budgeted amounts, and overages, such as having to purchase two sets of flags this year due to high winds, were minimal. We have a reserve of \$20,500 in the bank, which is consistent with the established goals to retain an emergency fund for unanticipated expenses.

3. **Election for Board Vacancies:**

Tom solicited volunteers to serve on the Board as his term and Karen Waldo's term (which is being served out by Eric due to Karen's absence) expire on 1 November. There were no outspoken volunteers, and Tom and Eric graciously agreed to continue serving until the Board can find additional volunteers.

4. **Summary of TxDOT Plans to Improve RM2222:**

Carol informed the audience that more than 90,000 Vehicle Trips per Day have been approved for additional development in the 2222 Corridor from 620 to 360, whereas the capacity of RM2222 was rated for 38,000 which was reached several years ago. The Coalition of Neighborhood Associations (CONA) has been working with TxDOT to bring attention and solutions to the traffic safety concerns. Carol presented three scenarios that TxDOT has developed for expanding RR2222. TxDOT will hold public hearings when they have designs for the intersections at 620/2222 and 360/2222, but requested some preliminary feedback on these scenarios. All are initially 6 lanes with a divider but differ in configuration and required ROW and cost. An informal vote was taken to get a reaction of which configuration residents favored, with an overwhelming majority favoring the Urban configuration.

**5. Clean Creek Challenge:**

Lisette Schmidli provided a summary of the City of Austin's Watershed Protection Department's Clean Creek Challenge and invited residents to become a Green Neighbor. She explained how the game booklet and challenge worked, and why it is important, since Glenlake is located in an environmentally sensitive watershed, for it to become a Green Neighborhood.

**6. Wildfire Symposium:**

John Busch presented a summary of a wildfire symposium that he and Susan McDonald Cooper attended and invited residents to visit <http://www.firewise.org/> to learn more about what each of us can do to reduce the risk of wildfire in Glenlake.

**7. Open Discussion:**

Kevin McDonald read a statement about a recent encounter he had with loose dogs and asked for witnesses to contact him. General discussion included a suggestion to include on the GNA Web site the phone number to call if loose dogs are sighted in the neighborhood.

Carol Lee informed residents of a development on Far View Dr and invited interested residents to contact her.

**8. LCRA Plans for Expanding Water Tank:**

David Smith, Angie Flores, and David Allen attended to present LCRA's plans for expanding the water tank at the end of Glenlake Drive. The new tank will be able to store 350,000 gallons (50 foot diameter with domed roof reaching ~30 feet height) and the system has been designed to solve the existing problems with water pressure and swing. They expect to have the design complete by the end of January, let the bid in February, accept a bid by end of April. Preliminary estimates indicate it will cost about \$2 Million, which is anticipated to add about \$50/month to the average water bill of \$128-138/month. There are currently 407 connections total for Glenlake and Westminster, and will be 416 with complete build out. There will be a Cost of Service Study with more details provided prior to a public hearing for the expansion. All Glenlake residents should contact John Busch with any questions or concerns as he has been serving as our liaison to LCRA on this issue.

**9. Appreciation:**

Eric thanked Tom for serving as GNA President this past year and for all he has helped to accomplish for the neighborhood, which was met with resounding applause of support from the other residents.

**10. Adjournment:**

Noting no other discussion items, Tom thanked everyone for attending and adjourned the meeting at approximately 9:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Lee  
GNA Secretary