

NORWALK ASSOCIATION OF SILVERMINE HOMEOWNERS

Monday, December 17, 2012

223 Silvermine Ave.

7:30 pm

Board Members in attendance: Heather Dunn, Leigh Grant, Linda Lee, Lee Levey, Alex Modica, Christine Names, Eric Nelson, Leigh Finley, Ken James, Sue Palinkos. **Absent:** Chip Brown.

Treasurer's Report: Current funds: \$26,473. Still have some outstanding invoices from the house tour. The 501(c)3 requires "postcard" returns before April 15th.

Minutes: Approved with spelling changes for names.

Nature Habitat: Alex met with landscape professional Jane Dedona. She will present a plan in January. He gave her the same information as he gave to Del: survey etc.

House Tour: Discussion of posting artwork on the website. It was decided instead to post the Antiques and Arts Weekly article for the time being.

Community Relations: Lee reported that the West Ave. landscaping, for which a forum was held, was disappointing.

The Norwalk Y is closed and gone and has been sold to Norwalk Hospital.

There was no Mayor's Meeting and no effort to address deteriorating asphalt on Comstock Hill Ave. that was laid down incorrectly.

Oak Hills Driving Range at the Common Council: The restaurant has failed and there is a plan to manage the driving range under separate management from the city. The facility is running at a deficit. Discussion included maintaining a significant buffer between the neighbors and the driving range.

CNNA meeting addressed Washington Village where a private company is acquiring the water street area and tentatively being sold the land for one dollar. Ryan Park is being reduced and Ana Duleep's family is involved in the protest.

Fowler received, under a "hardship" ruling, permission to reduce the number of affordable housing units. The NAACP and Housing Coalition will be filing lawsuits.

Discussion of Greenwich build regulations that seem to be the only ones to address climate change in having the floor joists at 13". Discussion of predicted 10-year bad weather cycle.

Historic District Update: No report.

New Business: The calendar for 2013 was discussed and approved.

Old Business: None was discussed.

Respectfully submitted,
Leigh Grant, Secretary