



## Minutes May 19, 2010

### **Attendees**

**Board Members:** Pete Appignani, Gap View Village, President  
Neal O. Nilsen, River View Park, Vice President  
Elliot Simon, Blue Ridge Acres, Treasurer

**Members:** Suzanne Malesic, Patrick Henry Estates

**Guests:** Toni Milbourne, Jefferson County EMS  
Ronald Fletcher, Citizens Fire Company  
Walt Johnson, Stonebridge  
Bill Jablonowski, Stonebridge

### **Guest Speakers: Toni Milbourne, Jefferson County EMS and Ronald Fletcher, Citizens Fire Company**

Toni and Ronald gave an overview of Fire and EMS services in the County and answered members' questions. There are currently 13 paid EMS staff in the County. There are seven fire companies, four of which also provide EMS services. The County EMS Board, the first of its kind in the state, has discussed creating a fee to fund paid fire services. The discussion is in the very early stages and is at least five years away from implementation. In 2009, the County Commission provided \$1.5M to the County's fire companies, equating to \$60,000 per company. The budget for Citizens Fire Company, an all volunteer association, is approximately \$1M per year. The fire companies must do significant fundraising to fulfill their budgets.

The meeting was called to order at 7:10pm by Pete Appignani.

### **I. Approval of April 2010 meeting minutes**

The January meeting minutes were approved as presented. (Motion: Neal Nilsen; Second: Elliot Simon; Vote: Unanimous)

### **II. Executive Reports**

#### **A. Treasurer's Report**

Tuscawilla Hills has joined the JCOHOA.

#### **B. Membership Committee**

We need to increase membership. All members should encourage non-participating HOA's to join.

### **III. Old Business**

#### **A. Issue Updates**

- 1. Foreclosures** – Foreclosures are at an all time high of 4.63%.
- 2. PATH** – No update
- 3. PSD** – No new information to report.

- 4. **State and local current events that affect our HOAs** – Not discussed
- 5. **Update and re-prioritize issues list** – See attached
- B. **Voter Web Site and Forums (Coordinate with League of Women Voters, others)** – LWV will consider using the format proposed by the JCOHOA which was successfully used previously by Gap View and the City of Ranson.
- C. **Private Property Laws and Dog Ordinances** – To be discussed at the June meeting.

**IV. Outstanding Action Items**

**V. New Business**

- A. **FEMA Funding for Snow Storm Expenses** – The deadline to submit application materials is May 23<sup>rd</sup>. Elliot received a timely response to his submission requesting additional forms to be completed.
- B. **Tax Status** – Elliot is going to file a tax return for JCOHOA, however, it's not required because of the organization's size. The JCOHOA is required to do an information filing only.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:07pm. (Motion: Pete Appignani; Second: Suzanne Malesic; Vote: Unanimous)

## LIST OF PRIORITIZED ISSUES

On May 19, 2010, we reviewed and re-prioritized the issues list developed in July 2009. This is a dynamic process and contains both countywide and localized issues.

We welcome addition of new issues and dialogue on all of the issues, especially suggestions to resolve the issue or educate our community members.

1. Eminent Domain (affects PATH and Hall Town Waste Water Treatment Plan)
2. Property Tax and Appeals
3. Common Property Taxation
4. Vandalism
5. Storm Water Management
6. Synchronization with Planning Commission (Covenants and Government Documents, need to meet with planning commission, dues and foreclosures)
7. Zoning Ordinances

## ACTION ITEMS

Item	Person Responsible	Due Date	Date Completed	Status
Investigate County Trespassing Laws	Elliot Simon	6/16/2010		
Register JCOHOA with State	Elliot Simon	7/1/10		