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Highleah Townhouses, Inc. • 2001 W. Pembroke Crescent, Independence, MO 64057

Board of Directors

Jim Legge
President
(Newsletter & Pet Complaints)

Marsha Clark
First Vice President
(Security)

Angela Morris
Second Vice President
(Pet Registration)

Dorinda Meihls
Treasurer
(House and Grounds)

Dan Hastings
(Secretary)

Handy Phone Numbers

Highleah Office
816-257-0070

Maintenance Emergency
913-894-3441

Security Patrol
816-645-3001

Police (Non-Emergency)
816-325-7300

Natural Gas Company
816-756-5252

Power & Light Service
816-325-7930

Animal Control
816-325-7205

Citizens Information Center
816-325-7000

UTILITIES

July 8, 2010 - Aug. 9, 2010

Water/Sewer: \$8,544.19

Electric: \$1,507.66

BOARD MEETING, August 16, 2010

NEWSLETTER MINUTES

Jim Legge, president, called the meeting to order at 6 p.m. Other board members present were Dan Hastings, secretary, and Dorinda Meihls, treasurer. Marsha Clark, first vice president, joined the meeting at 6:25 p.m.

Also attending were Carol Gibson, on-site manager; Gina Cowan, assistant on-site manager; Kevin McQuade, maintenance superintendent; and Dudley Leonard, cooperative attorney. Four members signed in. The board reviewed and approved the minutes of the July 19 meeting.

Carol discussed the on-site manager's report. In July, there were 32 statements of credit, 33 statements of charges due, 28 defaults, 11 exterminations and two attorney referrals. One installation permit was denied. Reasonable accommodation installations have been made for two households and an installation is pending for another.

Carol asked that guidelines for painting walls in units include wording to indicate that texturing of any kind will not be allowed. The board voted to accept Carol's report as submitted.

Kevin discussed the maintenance report. In July, 238 work orders were completed and there were one move-in and one move-out. Eight units are in rehab; two of these are completed. Palmer Lawn Professionals mowed four times, trimmed the perimeter fence, applied herbicide to asphalt and concrete areas, insecticide to bagworms and grub control to grassy areas. Interior work, walk-through inspections and punch lists were completed on 20 units in July. Through the end of July, interior work has been completed on 330 units, not including punch lists. Soffits and fascias have been wrapped on 83 buildings. The only building left is the office. The contractors will be back to address things left undone on punch lists. A notice will be sent to all members. The board accepted Kevin's report as submitted.

Jim opened the meeting to member comments. A member asked about repairing her driveway. Kevin will discuss concrete work with Billy Still and let her know the timetable.

Members were reminded of the annual meeting on September 21 and door prizes to be awarded and the fall yard sale on October 16. Jim thanked those present for attending and the open session ended at 6:20 p.m.

Renovations Continue

As attractive as Highleah looks right now, the contractors still have some work left to do.

For this reason, we also ask that you please take down such interior items as pictures, mirrors, light globes and other loose and hanging objects on walls. Please keep these off the walls until the work is finished on your building. Sometimes vibrations from the equipment can cause items inside units to fall if they are not taken off the walls.

The work has been contracted out and neither maintenance nor the office staff knows the exact date the work will begin or end for your unit and building. Thank you for your cooperation. We hope to complete this process as quickly as possible without substantial interruption to your daily lives.

Yard Sale Slated for Oct. 16

Look for bargains throughout the cooperative all day long on Saturday, October 16. That's the date for the Highleah fall yard sale. The rain date is October 23.

Two Positions Open On Board Of Directors

Cooperative members will fill two three-year positions on the board of directors at the annual meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 21. The meeting will be held at Bridger Middle School, 18200 E. Missouri 78, just east of Highleah. Please enter through the back door on the north side at the back of the building. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. Door prizes will be awarded: first prize of a month's free carrying charge, second prize of \$50 and third prize of \$25.

Only members in good standing can vote. Any member with an unpaid balance of more than 30 days cannot vote. If you cannot attend, you may vote by proxy. Members voting by proxy must appoint another member in good standing to vote on their behalf. No attending member may cast more than his or her vote plus one proxy vote.

The regular monthly board of directors meeting on September 20 will be closed this month.

Dorinda Meihls for Board of Directors

I am running for a position on the Board of Directors of Highleah Townhouses. I have a background in retail sales that includes responsibilities in ordering merchandise, cash office duties, merchandise displays, stocking merchandise, assisting customers and answering phones. I also have worked with those who are mentally handicapped and have had my own foster home for children who are mentally or physically handicapped. My responsibilities involved physical care and the teaching of life skills, charting lessons and behaviors and summarizing the charts. I also handled responsibilities for the children's finances, school attendance, doctor visits and social activities.

I worked as a housekeeper in a hospital on several different floors, including the substance abuse floor, and was in charge of setting up conference rooms for use by the hospital and community.

I have worked at Park University for four years. In that time, I held positions in Food Service and Physical Plant. While there, I was a resident manager in a women's dorm and was given the position as Conference Coordinator for the university. As Conference Coordinator, I negotiated and wrote contracts for the use of the Park University facilities such as housing, meals, conference rooms, classrooms and the university theater. I served as host to the guests while they were on campus.

Currently my interests include knitting and crocheting, studying spirituality and world events. I am interested in environmental issues and human rights. I have lived at Highleah for four years and in Missouri since 1976. I am originally from Michigan. I feel I can contribute my experience and interests to the complex. I am now filling in as a temporary replacement for a board member who recently resigned. I would enjoy continuing to serve you and I ask for your vote on Sept. 21.

Thank you.