

**SOUTHERN VILLAGE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.**

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held February 17, 2015

At 101 Market Street, Chapel Hill NC 27516

Present for the Board: Rainer Dammers (President), Arun Kilara, Phil Meyer (Treasurer),  
Bobby Mallik (Secretary)

Absent for the Board: Cindy James (Vice President)

Committee member: Bob Murden (ARB)

With a quorum established, the meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM. 92 members were present in person and by proxy.

The proposed agenda for the annual general meeting was approved as submitted.

The minutes of the annual general meeting on 2/18/2014 were approved as submitted.

**1. Election of Directors**

Mr. Dammers explained that Mr. Mallik was retiring from the board or directors and that a new director was to be elected for a three-year term. The declared candidates prior to the meeting were Chris Richards and Susana Dancy. Mr. Richard had withdrawn his candidacy prior to the meeting for personal reasons. Mr. Dammers asked if there were any further nominations from the floor. None were made. Mrs. Dancy made a presentation and answered questions from the floor. Mrs. Dancy was elected to serve a three-year terms.

**2. Treasurer's Report**

Mr. Meyer reported that the association ended 2014 under budget increasing our reserves significantly, gave an overview of the 2015 budget, and fielded some questions from the audience.

**3. ARB Report**

Mr. Murden reported that the ARB focused in 2014 on updating the ARB guidelines to provide clarity on the maintenance guidelines for the grass strip in the town's right of way between the side walks and the street, as well as to update the painting guidelines to update obsolete color palettes.

**4. Presidents Report**

Mr. Dammers reported on project undertaken by the association in 2014 which included the successful rerouting of nature paths in Arlen Park to mitigate erosion problems, the installation of recycling centers and Pet Waste Awareness signs, and most significantly the assessment of tree inventory in the neighborhood.

Even though trees in the grass strip are owned by the town of Chapel Hill, it is expected for the adjacent property owner to maintain them with the exception of dead tree removal and addressing of safety hazards. For consistency other neighborhoods have hired arborists to maintain street trees. Based on the extensive report of SV tree inventory the board has been soliciting quotes by several arborist competing to maintain our trees.

Even though this is a considerable ongoing investment the board concluded that we have the ability to embark on this project in 2015 based on solid reserves due to excellent financial management.

**5. Other Business**

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM.

*Note, the next AGM is Tuesday, February 16, 2016 @ 7pm at Christ Church*