

Chatham Hills Subdivision Emergency Board Meeting

July 26 2021

Meeting Minutes (Zoom Meeting)

Attendees David Ryall, Jonathan Brown, Jon Carter, Chuck Fehl, Ronda Harris, Bob Layne, Curt Martin, Sheena Mathai, Lillian Ryall, John Weigel.

The meeting was called to discuss the clean-up in the park following the extensive storms damage and the receipt by the board of letters from residents offering their services to help with the clean-up in order to avoid the substantial outlay of board finds which will otherwise be required.

David Ryall stated that our attorney, Tony di Ponio had strongly advised against becoming involved in any efforts to organize volunteers to assist in the clean up because of liability concerns. On that basis we will respond to homeowners and advise that we are unable to become involved in such activities.

Jon Carter then provided details of the quotes he has so far received.

“Summary of Estimates:

1. First bid (Frank Sparks) was to clean up everything (hangers, backyards, winter) for \$58,500. Backyard only was \$22k.
2. Davey bid 17k on backyards.
3. Gordon too busy now, but interested in winter work.
4. TrueCut/Canary Tree bid at \$9k/day, and estimated 2 days for backyards.
5. Horton bid \$7200 for hangers.
6. Clean Cut bid 5500/day for hangers 1+ day, 9000 (per day?) for backyards, and 3800 (per day?) for winter work.”

The board agreed that the priority now is to address the hanging branches near the pathway and that Horton and Clean Cut’s bids are the most attractive, though it was also felt it would be good to have a price from Davey given their relationship with them. Chuck Fehl will ask them to contact us the day after the meeting (July 27) and if they do not then we will proceed without them.

Clean Cut felt the work would only take a day but if they run over, we would be exposed potentially to more cost than Horton. In the end, the following motion was proposed by Curt Martin. “The board wants to hear from Davey within twenty-four hours if they can price the removal of hanging branches by the pathway. After that sample contracts should be requested from the bidding companies for review. Jon Carter then has authority up to \$11,000 to engage whichever company is selected to do the work.”

The next priority will be to deal with those trees which have fallen into resident’s yards – there are four affected lots though some people have already taken steps to remove what is on their property. There is

one which has fallen on the Sardi residence on which a quote should be obtained – possibly in addition to the hanger work.

That concluded the discussion of clean-up.

The annual picnic has been scheduled for Sept 12 and the idea was proposed to hold the annua meeting at the same time – at the start of the picnic at 1 pm. For now that will remain the intention.

The meeting was adjourned at 8.14 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan Brown

Secretary

