



Shady Hollow
Home Owners Association

Shady Hollow Highlights

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The History of Shady Hollow

Our continued story picks up on the City Planning Commission meeting.

The developers employees presented their case. It was as the homeowners had feared: Sewer line in Slaughter Creek, high density, tract type homes, etc. However, there were no surprises. The Shady Hollow Homeowners Association speakers were able to fully (by using over a dozen speakers and a slide show and map presentation) offer the rebuttal. There were also video recordings and print media copies of the original sales offerings of the developers.

After giving the developer as much time for argument as his staff attorney and contract employees desired, the other Commission members were able to ask questions. One Member (who was also a developer) was hostile, others were non-committal but Members Sally Shipman and Bernard Snyder demonstrated their understanding of the homeowners position and ultimately Mrs. Shipman offered a motion, which Mr. Snyder seconded, that the Developer be required to work in good faith with the homeowners in order to continue to develop Shady Hollow more in

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Next Board Meeting

July 19, 2018 - 7 pm
Community Center

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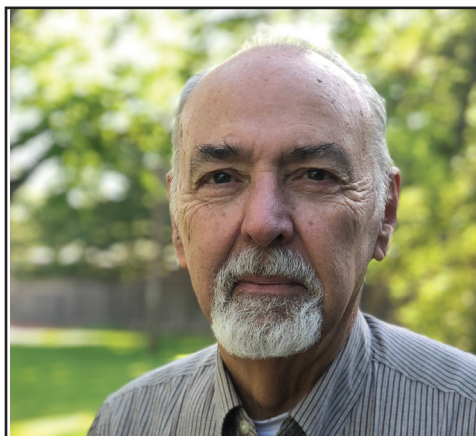
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National Ice Cream Day July 15



Meet Board Member - Russell Downey

Board Member Bio's



I am Russ Downey and my family and I have been residents of Shady Hollow, Section 3B since 1994. I am a retired State employee and retired Army veteran.

I am currently serving on the Board of Directors and have done so for going on nine years. I currently serve on the Welcome Committee and I have also been the coordinator of July 4th festivities. In the past, I have served on various committees such as Traffic and pro SH45 efforts. I have served as head of the Community Center Committee and assisted in past efforts to refresh the exterior of the facility. I have been serving as the interim General Manager and have enjoyed the opportunity to meet more of our residents and learn about the indepth daily operations of our HOA.

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keeping with the original commitments.

The vote carrying the motion may have been the most important single action ever taken in the history of Shady Hollow. It put the burden on the Developer to justify the changes he was trying to make or face a Planning Commission which would deny his requests.

The next step made by the Developer was to employ a public relations firm to manage their contacts with the homeowners. Meeting after meeting was held with them and the Developer's new attorney. Ultimately it became apparent that the technique being employed was to delay any decision.

Meanwhile, the Developer continued to advance his original program. Slaughter Creek was surveyed for the massive interceptor sewer line; houses which did not meet restrictions continued to be built and finally, the bulldozing of trees in Section 3 began and it was quickly determined that streets were being cut which did not conform to the existing (and legal) plats.

When the residents uncovered these plans they banded together into the predecessor of Shady Hollow Homeowners Association. This association forced the Developer to negotiate by resisting his efforts before the Austin Planning Commission which directed the Developer to coordinate its plans with the homeowners in Shady Hollow. Prolonged discussions ensued with real agreement.

At this point one of the SHHOA directors announced to the others that an investigation has disclosed the identity of the true owners of Austin Savings. It had been bought by a syndicate managed by an Executive Director in Houston. The 'good old boys' who had planned and begun the development of Shady Hollow were actually figureheads and new (and mostly unidentified people) were making the important decisions. This

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Current Board Members

PRESIDENT	Russell Downey
Mike Cain	Laura Kennedy
VICE PRESIDENT	Mary Ellen Mathis
Jim Bateman	Susan Morey
TREASURER	Jamie Rygg
Geoff Lawson	Ann Weitzman
SECRETARY	Mike Wilson
Gregg Sales	

4th of July Celebration



Thank you to the following volunteers for their support of the 2018 Fourth of July Festivities

Dr. Ron Stried – Master of Ceremonies
VFW Post #3377/Color Guard - Jim Linville
The Pallas Family-Banner
Manchaca Volunteer Fire Department - Chief Chris Barron
Travis County Constables - Ken Rush
Charlie Nettles – Parade Marshall
Cindy Nettles – Parade Judge
Sara Jo Snodgrass – Parade Judge
Sophie Weitzman – National Anthem
Ernie Rebeck – Host
Evelyn McMillen - Hostess
Austin Fire Department #46 - Kimra Hamilton
Dale Merlo – 5K Run Coordinator
Dan McIntyre – Tennis Tournament Coordinator
Traffic Control - Lydia and Corey Faircloth, Phyl Leinen
The Gearheads and all of the cool cars!

Special Thanks to Boy Scout Troop 448 for their hard work providing food and drinks. Great Job! - Laura & Bruce Kennedy

Parade Winners

Stingrays Swim Team
Barracudas Swim Team
Marbridge Scouts
VFW Float
USA Space Shuttle
White Car #JCW F8
White Toyota/Dickson Family
Chewbacca
Dog in Plane/Gonzales Family
Thomas Jefferson/Mike Daddeo
Camo Baby in Wagon/Urbany Family
Girl in Wagon/Williams Family



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Shady Hollow Clubs

Genealogy Club

For more info, contact Jim jim@jadowning.com or Cindy dragonfire@austin.rr.com. Hope to see you July 17th!

Garden Club

Join this fun group for interesting programs, garden tours, nursery visits, plant exchanges and more. Meetings are in the mornings the second Wednesday of each month. The time varies with activities. Contact Anne Linville, 512-280-6404, or jalinvil@gmail.com

Tai Chi

This group meets every Monday at 9:30 am and Thursday at 10:30 am at the Community Center. Come and enjoy some "moving meditation" that involves strengthening the core and enhancing your balance. Contact Peggy Rudd, 512-925-7697, or peggy.rudd@gmail.com

Yoga

A tranquil class of focused stretches that help you to unwind, destress and find your inner peace. This group is for adults and meets Tuesday evenings at 7pm in the Community Center. Contact Mona Slack with any questions at 512-280-2396

Welcome New Residents

Cassie & Brendan Adams
11317 Mendodora Drive

Bethany & Omar Fadel
1522 Silmarillion Trail

Pamela Ross & Edward Dunbar
12204 Sheriff Court

Beth & Christopher Oliver
3004 Six Gun Trail



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Shady Hollow MUD

June Meeting - Reported by Cindy Nettles

The MUD Board held its regular monthly meeting on June 5, 2017 at the MUD Office Building, 3910 Capistrano Trail. All directors were present.

The Oath of Office was administered to Directors Harper and Nettles, whose new terms of office commenced May 5, 2018. The Board voted to retain the current slate of officers.

Ms. Wheeler reported she would rent a storage unit for the District's records prior to the sale of the office building. She had several questions for the attorney regarding records retention issues.

Deputy Soto noted the large number of adults and children driving golf carts on neighborhood streets continued to be a problem, as very few of the carts had seat belts. He expressed concern that the children riding in the back of a golf cart could easily be thrown out of the vehicle if the driver hit a bump or turned a corner while driving too fast. He mentioned the widespread use of golf carts at swim meets contributed to safety concerns, particularly with the heavy traffic in the pool area during swim meets.

The Constable's report for June

- Worst of the speeders: 67/30 & 45/30 (Green Emerald), 43/30 (Whiskey River);
- Respond to complaint about dog (Festus);
- Assist EMS (GunFight, Ammunition);
- Assist TCSO: juveniles starting fires in Gatling Gun Park; collision-no injuries (Brodie/Accomac); 2-car collision (FM1626); disturbance w/ gun-road rage (driver not located-FM1626).

Affordable, Professional tennis lessons for all ages at your neighborhood courts!



Shady Hollow Board Meeting

January Meeting - Draft Minutes

Board Members Present

Mike Cain, Russell Downey, Geoff Lawson, Laura Kennedy, Mary Ellen Mathis, Susan Morey, Gregg Sales & Ann Weitzman

Staff in Attendance

None

Board Members Absent

Jim Bateman, Jamie Rygg & Mike Wilson

Others in Attendance

George Armstrong, Mary & Julio Moreno & Allen Barr

Legend

None

Meeting start

7:02 pm

Current Agenda

- MOTION to approve the current agenda by Susan Morey seconded by Mary Ellen Mathis. Approval unanimous.

Previous Minutes

- MOTION to approve the May minutes by Geoff Lawson seconded by Ann Weitzman. Approval unanimous.

Citizen Communication

- None

Interim General Managers Report - Russell Downey

- Office - Still handing out recreation card and pool keys
- Office - We have reduced our Aged Owner Balances from 95 in April to 30 in the first week of June
- Covenant Violations - Sent out 10 letters for inspections in two sections.
- Parks - Removed five dead trees at Capistrano Park
- Pool - Opened on June 1
- Pool - Added additional chairs and chaises.
- Events - Planning continues for the 4th of July festivities.
- General - MUD office is on the market for sale.

Treasurers Report - Geoff Lawson

- We are up about \$8000 in income compared to the same time last year.
- Expenses are down by 17% compared to the same time as last year.
- Resale certificates and transfer fees are

about the same as the same period last year.

- The purchase of pool seating was making up for many years of avoiding upgrades.
- Sprinkler repairs were performed in several parks making up for a few years of avoiding upgrades.
- Fees due to the bookkeeper not filing quarterly returns.
- In comparing bookkeeping to accounting expenses, accounting this year is paying for mistakes from last year.

Committee Report

1. Executive, Mike Cain - No meeting
2. Finance, Geoff Lawson - No meeting
3. Recreation, Laura Kennedy - Met and discussed the basketball court by the pool. Recommended paying half for the fence. Gavin is tasked with filling up the water containers on the new trees. Discussed drainage at the pool. Shower drain at pool is not working. The pool could be filled to a higher mark. Some of the skimmer covers need replacing. Would like to add pool parties on the board at the pool.
4. Community Center, Gregg Sales - No meeting
5. Welcome, Mary Ellen Mathis - No meeting. Have been making regular visits.
6. Annexation, Jim Bateman - No meeting.
7. General Manager Search Committee - Met twice in the past month. Reviewed over 100 applicants and reduced the number of qualified to 39 then 14.

New Business

- MOTION to approve the purchase of new basketball backboards of no more than \$1200 by Susan Morey, seconded by Russell Downey. Approval unanimous.
- We have asked for bids on maintaining the community grounds.
- MOTION to engage Longhorn in discussions to take over our grounds keeping contract by Susan Morey, seconded by Mary Ellen Mathis. Approval unanimous.

Old Business

- Update on the previous General Manager's civil case. In negotiations for a settlement. If none are reached a trial will be scheduled. We have been giving our insurance company more information.

Meeting Adjournment

- MOTION to adjourn by Susan Morey, seconded by Ann Weitzman. Approval unanimous.

Meeting ended 8:10 p.m.



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Shady Hollow Ads

Baby Sitting

My name is Madie Paskos. I'm 15 years old, a sophomore at Bowie School, and a member of NJHS and PALS. I am CPR and first aid trained and certified. I am interested in babysitting opportunities in the neighborhood. I have past experience babysitting and have two younger brother that I regularly watch. Please consider me for your babysitting needs. Thanks. madiepaskos@gmail.com. 512-897-2072

John Conrado

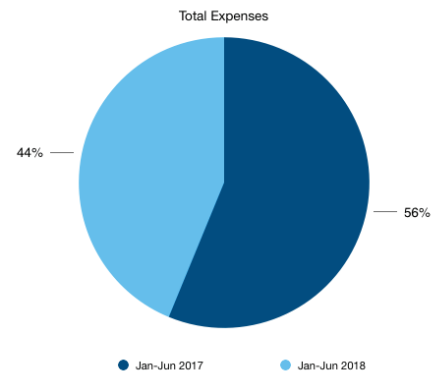
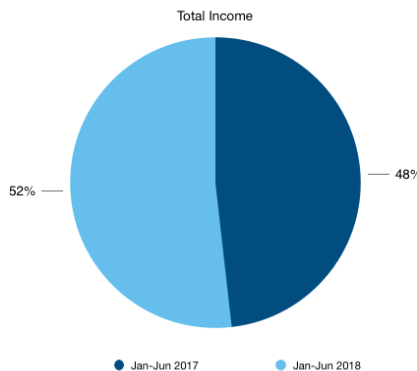
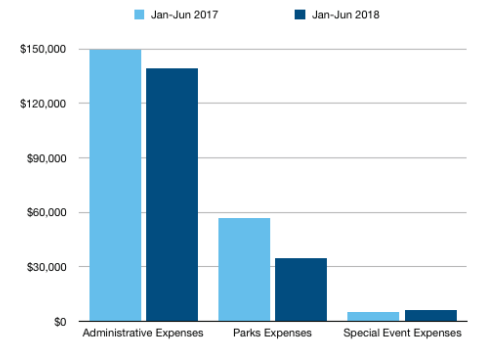
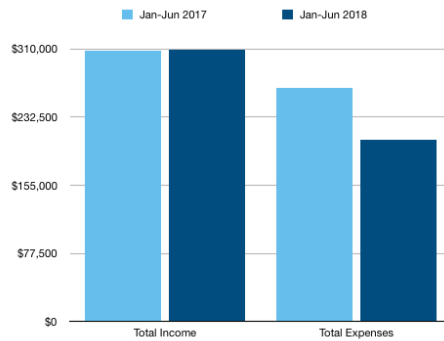
Parade Marshal for our first parade 40 years ago...Thank you John!



Financial Snapshot

Year over year comparison between 2017 and 2018

The income graph below generally shows income for the first half of 2018, or the revenues collected to date. The expenses shown are only for the first five months of the Fiscal year. We will continue to update this chart as the year goes along. We expect additional savings throughout the year.



Director proposed that arrangements be made for a meeting in Houston with Austin Savings' new Vice President and Executive Manager (who was an attorney with an excellent reputation in the legal community.)

One Director (who was subsequently found to have some questionable relationships with the Developer) strongly opposed going over the heads of the local negotiators. However, the majority agreed to press the SHHOA case in Houston. At the same time all but one said they could not personally go. The one who did agree to go to Houston had an emergency the next morning which prevented his departure.

Consequently, SHHOA was represented in Houston by one Director who arranged the meeting. He informed the Executive Director of the genesis of the matter and its recent history. The Executive Director expressed surprise and said that he had been informed that the residents were only a small collection of malcontents who had no basis for complaint.

The SHHOA Director then gave the Executive Director a written list of the Shady Hollow residents' complaints against Austin Savings. After he had read the list the Executive Director was asked to close his eyes and contemplate whether the future role of Austin Savings in Austin was to be that of a respected lending institution (as the Federal laws intend savings and loan "thrifts" to be) - or an "ugly developer." The SHHOA Director then outlined his own legal basis for a lawsuit which he intended to file against Austin Savings within two days. He also explained that many of the residents had the same solid basis for a lawsuit and that he would therefore urge his attorney to merge his case with the others in a class-action suit calling for triple damages and payment of all legal and other expenses.

Finally, the Executive Director of Austin Savings was given a list of seventeen demands which must be met if a lawsuit was to be avoided. This list began with the dismissal of certain individuals and firms who had caused the problems and then continued to falsely attempt to achieve their objectives while overtly professing to negotiate. It ended with a demand for an additional recreational area, including an olympic size swimming pool (to be built in an area with no existing homes) as compensation for the costs and hurts the improper actions by Austin Savings had imposed on the residents of Shady Hollow.

Want to learn more? Watch for the continuing story in next months newsletter.

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JULY

SU	MO	TU	WE	TH	FR	SA
1	2 tai chi 9:30 a	3 yoga 7 pm	4 	5 tai chi 10:30 a	6	7
8	9 tai chi 9:30 a	10 yoga 7 pm	11	12 tai chi 10:30 a	13	14
15	16 tai chi 9:30 a	17 yoga 7 pm	18	19 tai chi 10:30 a board mtg 7 p	20	21
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6	7 tai chi 9:30 a	8 yoga 7 pm	9	10 tai chi 10:30 a	11	12
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