

# Shady Hollow Highlights

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# Thank You SHAVE!



# **Shady Hollow Gains Voting Rights** on Annexation

By Board Member, Jim Bateman

Governor Abbott just signed the bill and all Shady Hollow Municipal Utility District Customers Get to Vote on Annexation!

The Texas Legislature passed Senate Bill 1468, which requires the City of Austin to have an election for the homeowners in Shady Hollow before annexing the neighborhood. Before SB 1468, the City could annex the District's customers who are in-

side the District's taxable boundary (about 65% of the customers) without a vote. The other 35% of the District's customers outside its boundaries already got the right to vote on annexation in 2017, when the Texas Legislature passed SB 6. Since 2017, the City decided to proceed with annexing only those Shady Hollow homeowners inside the District because they didn't get a vote.

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# **Next Board Meeting**

June 20, 2019 at 7pm Community Center Thursday, July 4th Independence Day



Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness

# The President's Corner

By Board President, Joan Allen



As many of you know, Senate Bill 1468 successfully made it through the Legislature and has been sent to the Governor. This bill will give Shady Hollow residents and other similarly situated MUD taxpayers the right to vote on the question of whether to be annexed by a city. At the time of publication, the Governor had not taken action. The bill will become law if the Governor does not sign or veto the bill by June 16 or signs the bill before June 16.

There are many people who should be recognized but at this time, I'd like to take a moment to single out the legislative team and volunteer teams. First, the directors of S.H.A.V.E. kicked off our efforts. Jim Bateman, President, and Geoff Lawson, Treasurer, developed the structure for our participation, and Jim contributed legal services to create S.H.A.V.E. and developed bill language. Jamie Rygg, the S.H.A.V.E. Secretary, was instrumental in the disseminating information and yard signs and serving as the lynchpin for volunteer efforts.

We must also acknowledge the work of Roger Borgelt, the lobbyist employed by the S.H.A.V.E. board. As the intermediary between S.H.A.V.E. and the legislative offices, he was instrumental in guiding the bills through the legislative process. He also weighed in amendments needed to get the bill to the floors of the Senate and the House.

The witness team of Jim Bateman and Judge Bill Aleshire were very effective, especially in the House on the House version of Senate Bill 1468, House Bill 3281. This probably helped SB 1468 get through the House Committee. We appreciated our residents, James Biggs and James A. Downing, testifying in favor of the bills.

Senator Donna Campbell and Representative Vikki Goodwin, Shady Hollow resident, deserve our gratitude for sponsoring our bills and supporting us. Without their support, we would be awaiting annexation to the City of Austin in December 2020.

There are so many residents who volunteered time, money, and communication efforts, such as board member Jason Zirkle for setting up the Facebook page and posting valuable analysis about the impact of annexation on residents, Chris Braun for designing the logo and website, and Gwen Kamper for her tireless efforts to get the community involved. We are planning a recognition ceremony soon. Thank each and every one of you. You have all proven that Shady Hollow is the best place to live!

Joan Allen

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# **Shady Hollow Festivities**

# Mark your calendars and get ready for another fun-filled July 4th in Shady Hollow!

The Parade line-up starts @ 9:30am at Eldorado and Saddle Mountain Trail. Following the parade there is a patriotic sing-along, food items sold by the Boy Scouts, live music and Pool Games in the afternoon supervised by the Shady Hollow Lifeguards (Pool Closes @ 6:00pm).

The great neighborhood traditions are back. The day starts at 7AM with the 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual 5K Run beginning at Capistrano Park. There will be a 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament in the afternoon on the Capistrano Courts. Please sign up now if you want to participate in the Annual Tennis Tournament (starts now - please contact Dan McIntyre drmsac@outlook.com or 512-825-5210.

# We are looking for amazing and cool cars in Shady Hollow to participate in the Parade.

Do you have a cool convertible, awesome antique or a manly muscle car? Then please join the festivities and drive your car in the parade line up.

# We welcome everyone to join the fun and enter the parade.

Everyone is encouraged to enter a float or decorate their bikes, tricycles and wagons because there is a competition in each category for first and second place. There will be a costume contest for children, adults and pets.

Anyone who wants to be judged for an award must obtain an entry number and have it clearly visible. Entry numbers can be obtained at the HOA Office. Parade numbers can also be obtained from one of the parade judges at the parade formation the morning of the parade.

# A call is out to SHHOA Active Military and Veterans.

We would like to acknowledge the contribution of our veterans of the Armed Forces by asking everyone who is currently serving, has served, or is retired from any of the Armed Forces to join in the parade. If you would like to walk or ride in the parade, please contact the Shady Hollow HOA @ 512-280-6623.



# **MUD News**

By MUD Board Vice President, Cindy Nettles

The MUD Board held its regular monthly meeting on May 7, 2019 at 3303 Doe Run Dr. All directors were present.

Deputy Rush reported the previous month had been fairly quiet, with most activity centered around traffic stops.

President Stried reported on the status of the sale of the Capistrano office building and noted there appeared to be continued interest in the property. The Board approved the extension of the listing agreement with Chris Watters Internat'l Realty until June.

Note: Both the Senate and the House passed SB1468 (regarding annexation) and it is on the Governor's desk awaiting his signature. At the June meeting, the District's attorney will provide the Board with a status update regarding the potential effect of SB1468 on annexation of the District by the City of Austin.



# The Constable's report for May included the following:

- Worst of the speeders: 61/45 (Frate Barker), 48/30 (Sesbania), 45/30 (Green Emerald);
- Traffic enforcement: warnings & citations issued at various locations in the neighborhood, mostly for speeding; regular patrols of greenbelts and common areas; heavy rain causing flash flooding & related issues: (1) remove road debris (FM1626), (2) report of reckless driving in downpour (Gatling Gun-not located), (3) greenbelt flooded-secured gates (Doe Run); 2 youths on off-road vehicle quickly fled when deputy spotted them (Brodie); follow-up on reported traffic concerns (Denbar Ct); road rage observed vehicles at high rate of speed on Reynosa headed to Bailey-calmed both parties down verbally; complaint of speeding school bus-observed-not speeding (Sillion);
- Welfare checks (Stormy Ridge, Knipp Cv, Wyldwood, Saddlestring); red-tagged abandoned vehicles (left by contractor-Doe Run/Shady Hollow Dr; in driveway of lift station-Lost Oasis); assist resident re: lost baby deer; call reporting kids abandoned bike on porch located kids who said they found bike (Middle Earth); open door (checked ok-Saddlestring);
- Disturbance calls: (1) homeowner/contractor dispute-referred to TCSO (El Dorado), (2) fight in roadway-suspects booked for assault, warrants (FM1626), (3) vet clinic upset subject punched hole in wall-gone on arrival-criminal mischief (Manchaca); assist EMS at crime scene (Spotted Horse);
- Assist on single car collision (FM1626); assist on 2-car collision (Brodie/Treadsoft); collision involving driver switching seats after impact & fleeing (Brodie/Kellywood); minor school bus collision-crashed into gate-no injuries (Lost Oasis); minor collision (Sesbania);



# **SUMMERTIME IS HERE!**

Remember to check the city's website for the current watering schedule, and to adjust your automatic sprinklers or manual watering times based on your address. https://austintexas.gov/wateringrestrictions

# Wildlife News Foxy Roxy



# What Does The Fox Say?

If you are out and about in Shady Hollow after dark, particularly near one of the creeks or in the parks, you may be lucky enough to spot a fox. Shady Hollow has a number of these beautiful graceful critters in residence.

The grey fox is a Texas native. Central Texas is also home to the red fox, which originated in England and was brought to Texas for sport hunting around 1890. The fox is a member of the canid family (as are coyotes, wolves, and dogs), but can climb trees like a cat. The eyes of dogs

and other canids usually have round pupils, but a fox has elliptical pupils like a cat. Whiskers and feet are more cat-like than doggish, but a fox has canine teeth. When it comes to dinner, the fox is an omnivore – favorite foods include insects, small furry animals (mice, voles), fruit, and grains. We appreciate their sly foxy smarts. Literary foxes are frequently caught raiding the henhouse, and Dr. Seuss apparently knew some who wore socks.

Smaller than most well-fed Shady Hollow cats, the grey fox weighs between 8 and 12 pounds. Named for its grey, salt & pepper fur, this fox has a grey back and reddish sides; the throat is white with red markings, while the middle of the back is usually black. The long bushy tail has a black tip. They prefer to live in brushy, rocky spots.

The red fox has a red coat with a white tummy; the ear tips and legs are black, and the tail is bushy with a white tip. Red foxes prefer to live in wooden areas, but also frequent the areas around creeks.

What does the fox say? Youngsters sometimes hiss like kittens, while adult foxes can make mewing sounds and high-pitched screams, but may bark if alarmed.

# Happy Father's Day Dads

Father's Day is almost here and we wanted to remind you of all the reasons to celebrate – from dads' uncanny ability to pull a joke out of thin air to the special ways they bond with their kids.

(And of course these don't apply to every papa, but a whole lot may sound familiar!)

# Sunday, June 16th Father's Day



- 1. Dads are Rough and Tumble
- 2. Two Words: Dad Jokes
- 3. Dads are Great Coaches
- 4. He's a Fierce Protector
- 5. Dads Get Creative at Mealtime

- 6. They're Gracious Gift-Receivers
- 7. Dads are the Best Nap-Buddies
- 8. They Love to Share Their Hobbies
- 9. Dads Know About Tools
- 10. What Happens with Dad Stays with Dad

# SH45 News

By Board Vice President, Russell Downey

# **SH45 Grand Opening**

Shady Hollow residents and many other Austinites enjoyed the pagentry and speeches at the grand opening of the SH45 toll road. After many years and numerous delays, the day finally arrived when users can now finally connect from FM 1626 to MoPac along the 4.5 mile toll road. Shady Hollow resident and House of Representatives member, Vikki Goodwin was present along with Shady Hollow resident, Judge Bill Aleshire. The hope is that traffic that once utilized Brodie



Lane as a connection point from Hays County to Austin will now be diverted to SH45. If you have an electronic toll tag, you can drive on the toll road for free through the month of June. Those utilizing the road in the future are expecting to pay \$1 per trip. The total cost for the project was \$110 million dollars and took 4.5 years to construct. The original concept for the road started over 34 years ago and was a significant issue for Shady Hollow residents who desired to see less traffic on Brodie Lane.



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# **Shady Hollow Annexation**

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This past year, the homeowners of Shady Hollow banded together to fight for a vote for everyone and stop the City from dividing Shady Hollow.

A big THANK YOU goes out to Senator Donna Campbell and Representative Vikki Goodwin, our champions at the Capitol who carried the bills and fought to get us a vote. Another big THANK YOU goes out to all the homeowners who spread the word to their neighbors and all of the homeowners who donated to SHAVE, a nonprofit association which funded a lobbyist to help draft the bill and push it at the Legislature.

You have proven why Shady Hollow is the best neighborhood around!



# Capistrano Pool

The 2019 Swim Season is well underway and our lifeguards are doing a great job! Please note that you must bring and present your Shady Hollow Recreation Card to gain entry to the Pool. Please come by the HOA offices at 3303 Doe Run if you do not have a Recreation Card. We are excited to announce the installation of new diving boards at a cost of \$8,200. They are being greatly enjoyed by our community! We anticipate the installation of security cameras within the next couple of weeks at a cost \$5,900. The pool hours for ADULT SWIM are 5AM - 11PM and General Swim hours are 11AM - 9PM. The pool is always closed on Monday's for maintenance and there is NO SWIMMING AFTER HOURS-this would be considered trespassing and the household will lose use of the pool for the rest of the season.



Lifeguards in Training

# **Shady Hollow Clubs**

# **Genealogy Club**

For more info, contact JimDowning: jim@jadowning. com or Cindy Nettles: dragonfire@austin.rr.com. The club meets on the 3rd Tuesday of odd numbered months.

# 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

Tranquil classes of focused stretches that help you to unwind, destress and find your inner peace. This group is for adults and meets Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 7pm and Friday morning at 9 am in the Community Center. Contact Shady Hollow HOA with any questions at 512-280-6623

Hi! I'm Lane Elizondo and I'm going into my Junior year of high school and have lived in Shady Hollow for 10 years. I would love to Baby sit and/or help with any other chores for your family this summer.

Contact me at: 512-412-2369 Email: lfecotx@gmail.com

# Welcome New Residents

**Robert & Rachel Malkowski** 3214 Fort Worth Trail

**Rasmus & Christine Wendt** 3400 Spotted Horse Trail

Michael & Jennifer Williams 3704 Capistrano Trail

**Douglas White & Elizabeth Perez-White** 4204 Aladama Drive

**Pei Chiu & Robert Terrell** 11307 Boothill Drive

# **Shady Hollow Board Meeting Minutes**

By Board Secretary, Gregg Sales

May 16, 2019 —DRAFT—

### **Board Members Present**

Joan Allen, David Anderson, Jim Bateman, Russell Downey, Laura Kennedy, Geoff Lawson, Mary Ellen Mathis, Jamie Rygg, Gregg Sales, Clay Zelisko & Jason Zirkle

### Staff in Attendance

Amy Loughrey

### **Board Members Absent**

None

## Others in Attendance

Jason Denny Shaun Bodah George Armstrong Bruce Kennedy Members of Troop 448 and Troop 19 Jayden Hoppner

### Legend

CC - Community Center CD - Certificate of Deposit

GM - General Manager HOA - Home Owners Association

# Meeting start

7:03 pm

### **Current Agenda**

- MOTION to approve the current agenda by David Anderson, seconded by Clay Zelisko. Approval unanimous.

### **Previous Minutes**

- MOTION to approve the April 18, 2019 minutes by Geoff Lawson, seconded by Jason Zirkle. Approval unanimous.

### **Citizen Communication**

• Bruce Kennedy - Summary of Scout activities in our neighborhood. Introduced Scouts from three different Troops.

# General Managers Report - Amy Loughrey

### Office

- Administration The directory was delivered thanks in part to the Scouts
- Sent out 90 day letters to residents who were overdue on their assessments
- Hired 21 lifeguards
- Ordered new pool keys for the season
- Working on new insurance quote
- Answered calls about SHAVE and school boundary issues
- The MUD cleared a tree in Shady Hollow West park that had fallen during a storm
- Installing doggy stations
- Working on the pending pool and park lighting at Capistrano
- Sidewalk repair request has been turned into the City of Austin
- Power washing of tennis courts at Doe Run park
- Staining the new bridge at Doe Run park
- Getting estimates for pool security and access system
- We are looking for nominations for the July 4th parade

# **Shady Hollow Board Meeting Minutes**

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### Treasurers Report - Geoff Lawson

- \$7,958 transferred from the Chase operating Acct to the Reserve Acct
- Received \$459.22 in interest from our CD with BBVA Compass which equates to approximately \$5,500 per year.
- Total Amt in the CD as of 4/30/19 is \$202,092.60
- Total register balance in our operating account as of 4/30/19 was \$168,747.62.
- Total balance in the Chase reserve account as of 4/30/19 was \$72,832.35
- Total Reserve Balance was \$274,924.95
- Assessment Revenue when compared year over year does not include the deferred revenue that was received in 12/18. This will be
  adjusted on the end of May to more accurately reflect the total assessment revenue received for the first six months of 2019.
- Interesting to note that utility expense is down significantly from what was budgeted for 2019. For instance, the community center utility expense was projected to be \$,3916 for the first 4 months whereas actual expense \$2,456.14. A savings of \$1,459.86.

# **Committee Report**

- 1. Executive, Joan Allen Meet two times to discuss GM and Office manager topics
- 2. Finance, Geoff Lawson Did not meet.
- 3. Recreation, Laura Kennedy Met at the Community Center. Need benches power washed. Residents have expressed interest in a skate board park but have not brought forward detailed information. All the play scapes are being inspected.
- 4. Pool Committee David Anderson Joint meeting with the Recreation. An update was giving concerning pool work. Note: Diving boards hope to be in around Memorial Day. Soft open of the pool will be the May 25th.
- 5. Community Center, Gregg Sales Did not meet.
- 6. Welcome, Mary Ellen Mathis Met on May 2nd. It was lightly attended. Some realtors will let us know about the non-member areas so we can welcome them. There was a suggestion to have a meet and great for new neighbors.
- 7. Annexation, Jim Bateman Update on Senate bill 1468 and House bill 3821. The Senate bill was modified with a population stipu lation and was passed. The House passed the bill after three readings. It is now being concurred in the Senate. We should know by next week. If all goes well it will go to the governor for his signature. If he does not sign the bill it will still become law.
- 8. Ad-hoc Policy Committee, Russell Downey Did not meet. Work was done to reduce the policy manual by referring to the upcoming procedure manual.
- 9. Architectural Control Committee Jason Zirkle appointed as chair.

### **New Business**

- Discuss and consider action to ratify the promotion of Office Manager, Amy Loughrey to General Manager
- - MOTION to ratify the formation of Amy Loughrey to General Manager by Mary Ellen Mathis, seconded by Geoff Lawson. Approval unanimous.
- Discuss and consider action to approve and ratify the employment of an Office Manager A recommendation was made to hire Jenni fer Monroe. She has accepted and will start this coming Monday.
- - MOTION to approve the hiring of Jennifer Monroe as the Office Manager by Russell Downey, seconded by Laura Kennedy. Ap proval unanimous.
- Discuss and consider action to approve and ratify the employment of dependents of Board Members as lifeguards.
- MOTION to approve the hiring of dependents as lifeguards by David Anderson, seconded by Mary Ellen Mathis. Approval unan
  imous
- Discuss and ratify the hiring of lifeguards.
- · MOTION to approve the hiring of lifeguards by Geoff Lawson, seconded by Mary Ellen Mathis. Approval unanimous

### **Old Business**

Discuss resolution sent to Austin ISD regarding Baranoff Elementary School boundary change.

# **Meeting Adjournment**

MOTION to adjourn by Geoff Lawson seconded by Clay Zelisko. Approval unanimous.

Meeting ended 7:48 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Gregg Sales, Secretary

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