

Park Hills Special Meeting
Oct.4, 2007

A special meeting to discuss the request made by Tom Stautberg for a “granite marker” to be placed at the entrance of Vineyard Club was opened at 7:05 P.M. Board members present were Della Rucker, Garrett Levy, Jay Geiser, Larry Wharton and Phil Schneider. There were 15 residents also in attendance: Jim and Stephanie Richardson, Barbara Smuland, John Patterson, Denise Hales, Ken Peterson, John Conroy, Tom Eberle, Tom Stautberg, Mike Le Plant, Kevin Gorsuch, Susan de Roos, Greg Gottschlich and MaryAnn and Ed Rahe.

Della opened the meeting with a reading of the “factual, technical and legal review of Vineyard Ridge driveway marker application” dated Oct.4 (copy attached). There are 7 properties located behind the Smuland and Richardson residents.

Greg Gottschlich spoke on behalf of the Vineyard Club group and stated that the Vineyard Club members had met on May 6 and voted to replace the old Private Drive sign that had been in place sometime in the late 80’s or early 90’s, based on approval from the Evendale Planning Commission. Former resident Mike West (then President of Vineyard Club) had erected the sign. Tom Eberle, former Board member said that Ken Showalter (then President of the Homeowners), told him it had to be removed, since no one had received approval from the Board. West said he felt that the Board had no legal right to require this. Soon thereafter, the sign came down. No one knows for sure who took it down or why it happened. It was also noted that while this is a private drive, mail and garbage service is provided at each residence, contrary to all the other private drives in Park Hills.

Greg then stated the reasons why the group wanted the marker installed. Their group had met previously with the Richardsons whose “visual” front yard is the proposed location for the marker, but were unable to come to ANY agreement about this issue. All the lots on Vineyard Club are panhandle lots and the Stautberg lot has a 20ft. strip that abuts the Richardsons on the left. The proposed marker location is in this 20ft. strip.

Jim Richardson then gave his reasons why he and Stephanie did not want the marker (copy of his Oct.4 statement is attached).

Tom Stautberg stated that the Group was not “married” to this design, but simply wanted to get some type of agreement on the concept.

Comments from residents:

Susan de Roos asked to read her Oct.2 note to the Board, concerning the Association’s covenants and restrictions, and also the Design Guide. Permission was not granted, so she asked that a copy of her memo (attached) be included with the minutes. She urged the Board to put together a proposed revision to the Design Guide, due to the age of the existing one. John Patterson agreed that the guide needs updating.

John Conroy said that the marker looks like a grave marker.

Barbara Smullen said the marker looks bad, and will not solve the problems that the owners claim they need to fix.

Ken Peterson said he was against the marker.

A suggestion was made that both groups meet again, and based on the comments they heard tonight, try to come to some agreement. Both sides agreed. Della said the next Board Meeting would be Oct.24. The meeting was adjourned at 8:55.

Respectfully Submitted,

Phillip Schneider, Secy.