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JAY O'DONNELL Email Resignation from SWA Board and Subsequent Correspondence

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Fri, Apr 26, 2024 at 12:02 PM

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Please read my email on this matter which I sent a few moments ago.

I vote against the survey expense as I believe the decision should be made after Alan, Dale, and I locate the angled corner to determine if a survey is actually needed. We don't have budget for this expense which will need community approval.

If the board decides to proceed with the letter to McGarry leave me off of it, and indicate the letter is from the lot owners as signatories. If the collective decision is to sent the letter from the board, I will resign, and it's unlikely Mary will want to step-in as back-up treasurer

Jay

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Hi Jay -

This is not the outcome we were hoping for.

A collective decision was made by the board during the April 24th ZOOM meeting to send the final approved draft of the email to the McGarrys. It has been sent on behalf of the board.

We thank you for your many years of service to the SWA board and the community while accepting your resignation.

Rebecca

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Regarding my resignation from the board and the tree issue...

I want to remind everyone that the decision made by the board during the 24-April ZOOM meeting was to delay sending any letter to McGarry's until Alan returned with his transit and a more accurate measurement made to determine if a survey was warranted. Then a decision was apparently made by some in this thread to send the McGarry letter now, and proceed with hiring a survey company, extending the scope of the survey. I can speculate that my board mtg inputs characterizing some aspects of the dialogue as being retaliatory due to the ongoing Samia dispute with other neighbors was behind this change in plans. I was unaware of this side dialogue and my inputs were ignored -- hence my resignation as I didn't want to be involved in this ill-advised approach or interact some of the board members involved.

The approach I advocated during the first board meeting would have me working with Eric to see if he and I could sort this out and bring this to a resolution and de-escalate it. I've been pursuing a similar de-escalatory approach with the 15101 neighbor Kevin Carl and road access working with the Gelinass and it's been working. Eric is in possession of a large number of Kropac documents that might include a site map and additional details related to the carport and his property which Eric was going to sort through. No need to loop in the McGarrys at this point since Eric has the documents. I was actually considering hiring my own survey company to do a limited survey of the two corners of my lot and the angled corner.

This thing has gone off the rails, and here's what I think is behind it:

- Julie's accident hitting one of Samia's cars parked on the road during icy conditions (I've raised this car parking during icy conditions a number of times before) and subsequent dialogue between Johnsons and Samia created significant animosity among various neighbors down here
- This prompted some neighbors below to raise their concerns about road parking during the March'23 community meeting and nothing was decided
- Then Pete sent me a note requesting the board (Jay, Amy, Samia) address the problem. I said the board had no enforcement authority per covenants and suggested he pursue the neighbor to neighbor approach covenants prescribe
- Sanders and Gelinass plus Johnsons initiate legal action against Samia and Hahn's to address the car parking situation
- Pete and Eric propose cutting back some hawthorne trees which overhang the road below their properties, for free, and this action is stopped by Samia at the last minute.
- Eric cuts the trees adjacent to his carport. Neither Joe nor I was aware of Eric's detailed tree cutting plans but were advised of the timetable for the arborist visit, who was late, otherwise I would have been there to see what was being planned.
- Various neighbors get upset due to the dramatic change in the aesthetics
- The tree cutting issue was raised by Maria during the March'24 community meeting. I raised objections as to the accuracy of the KingCounty GIS which Maria used as a basis to claim the trees cut belonged to the beach lot. She and some board members continue to share this belief.
- The new board took up the issue as one of its first topics during the 15-April board meeting

So rather than pursuing a de-escalatory process which could bring this to resolution the board is doing the opposite. Moving forward I would suggest:

1. Samia recuse herself from the board involving anything to do with this issue as she has an on-going legal dispute with the Johnsons and a history of escalating disputes in the neighborhood
2. The board identify a replacement treasurer who is not Samia as I do not trust her to manage community funds due to her financial history
3. The board could reconsider if they want to pursue the de-escalatory process I identified above to put to rest the issue of lot ownership at minimal to no expense to the community. I don't feel it's a good use of community funds to hire a survey company at this point, when some of the near-term measures that were identified in board dialogue could bring this to closure (more accurate transit measurements with Alan& Jay to locate the angled corner on the beach lot, plus review of any site plans Eric might have inherited from Kropacs). I would assist in this #3 approach if the board, Eric, and McGarry's agree.

Jay

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