

PALACE FIELDS RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

(Tenants, please pass on these minutes to your Landlord and also, why not read these minutes on the Palace Fields website at www.palacefields.com)

Residents Meeting No. 30. Held on 11th January 2012.

at Ard Ri House Hotel, Milltown Road, Tuam at 8pm.

1. PRESENT. (a)

William Martin No. 91. Michael
Miceal Reilly No. 194. Goss.No.48.

John Fleming. No.77
Karen Kennedy. No.150.
Ronan Kelly No. 144. Bronagh
Jerry Desmond No 264 McLoughney. No.
Kathleen Desmond No 64.
264.
Stephen McDonnell. No.
239.
Mary Fahy. No.275.
Liam Halion No. 197.
Deirdre McCarthy. No 12.
13 Persons present.

Thanks to all who attended.

(b)

Apologies from
Maeve Waldron No.47.
Marian Walsh No. 5.

2.DISTRIBUTION.

(a) The previous minutes were distributed to the area representatives and these in turn were delivered to their allocated areas.

Copies of minutes were also distributed to Declan Costello (Neighbourhood Watch Liaison Officer) and Sergeant Michael Bradly of Tuam Gardi station.

3.DATE OF NEXT MEETING.

(a) Wednesday 1st February 2012 in the Ard Ri House Hotel at 8pm.

Everyone please note, that this is the Annual General Meeting and we would like as many people as possible to attend.

(b) Please note that voting will take place regarding key positions on the committee and the costings for maintenance to be fixed for next year.

(c) It would be appreciated if an hour be set a side on Saturday the 21st January 2012, between 10 and 11 am for rubbish to be picked up from the area outside your house and green, in an effort to tidy up the estate. Please make a note of this date and time and take part. In addition, the pruning of tress to areas 7 and 8.

4. ACCEPTANCE OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS MINUTES.

(a) An error was reported relating to the monthly prize draws. The third prize in the December 2011 draw should have been 268 and not 263. Apologies for this.

5.TREASURERS REPORT.

(a) The balance in the main account as of the 11.01.12 was 9,097.00 Euro. The balance in the raffle account is 1,354.00..

(b) Collection of monies for the maintenance of the estate is still ongoing and will continue.

(c) The prise draw results were as follows:-

January 2012. 1st prize. House number 239, 2nd prize. House number 242 and 3rd prize. House number 15.

(d) A quotation for the photo copying was received from Tuam Office Equipment in the sum of 870.00 Euro for the ten months or year. This was accepted. However, RK suggested that the minutes be reduced to a two page spread sheet to reduce these costs. This was agreed.

The cost works out at 0.6 cent per sheet and this includes collation and stapling the minutes together.

6. MATTERS ARISING.

(a) RK has been in contact with the Colm Keaveney TD and the engineers department at the Galway County Council regarding the light to the front of the

estate. In addition, the lighting to the Tullinadaly Road towards the Palace Surgery. It would appear that the light may be able to be connected to the grid and illuminate at the same time as the other street lights. This fitting was quoted for in April last year by Airtricity in the sum of 920.30 Euro plus VAT (see minutes, item 6 (c) to meeting No 24, May last year) RK is awaiting a response from the Galway County Council. It was agreed that this was a more economic solution compared to the solar light.

(b) We are still awaiting a response from Francis Mulry regarding the four points raised in last month's minutes. MG to write a letter.

(c) The committee was asked to encourage as many people as possible to attend meetings.

(d) The work in connection with the tree/light problem will begin in the next week or so, by contacting residents.

(e) The neighbour problem raised in this item last month is still ongoing. However, it is understood that the tenants are awaiting accommodation in another location.

7. MAINTENANCE OF COMMUNAL AREAS.

(a) The cuttings from area 9 still need removal.

(b) MG pointed out that he had obtained an Ordnance Survey map of the area of park adjacent to 270 Palace Fields. A scheme to improve this area can now start to be drawn up.

(c) We are still awaiting both photographs and budget figures from Murphy's regarding the shrubbery areas to the estate. RK agreed to chase these matters up.

8. NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH SCHEME.

(a) As last month.

9. JJ RATGIHAN AND GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL.

(a) As last month.

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

(a) A further query relating to the windows was raised. These were manufactured by Wrights and fixed by Rhattigans. Being a secondary structural item they are not covered by the Home Bond and are the responsibility of the house owner. MG mentioned that it helps if the windows are cleaned and oiled on an annual basis.

(b) House numbers 150, 194 and 264 are suffering from foul water odours within

their dwellings. Some discussion took place on this. Possibly the drains need rodding or the water is being drawn from the traps due to negative pressure in the waste pipes. MG will write to FM on this point.

(c) Paving required to the shrubbery area in front of number 24 area 1. There may be a concern with this as the highway authority may not accept it and could be a problem prior to handing over the estate to the GCC. MG to investigate.

SOME USEFUL NUMBERS.

1/ ESB for street lighting replacement 1850 372 772.

2/ Palace Fields Residents Association website. www.palacefields.com

3/ An Garda Siochana Tuam 093 70841. Neighbourhood Watch Scheme Liaison Officer - Declan Costello.

4/ Dog warden name and number Christy Corcoran 087-2224192.