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The October ECIA Board of Directors Meeting was held via ZOOM and called to order at 5:01 PM. Present at the meeting were President Nancy Sulzberg, Vice-President Melicent D'Amore, Secretary Carol Sanguinetti, Director David Sorkin, and Sal Monaco, Treasurer were present and a quorum was met. HOAMCO staff including GM Julie Navarro, Assistant General Manager Jessica Collins, Compliance Officer Mark Young and Office Assistant Sarah Skagen attended. Nigel Burgess from the HOAMCO Executive Team also attended.

The Board approved the Consent Agenda; moved by Melicent D'Amore and seconded by David Sorkin.

The General Manager reported the HOAMCO Executive Team is preparing the Annual Assessment Packet which will be available for review by the Finance Committee by November 3. The 4 x 4 "Mule" has been delivered and is already helping the Maintenance Team complete their work. A wood chipper has been ordered which will arrive later this week. Five dog park cameras are being installed to improve safety.

The general manager introduced the staff in their new positions: Jessica Collins, Assistant General Manager will continue to manage Pool Operations in addition to financial, membership and administrative responsibilities. Melinda Espinoza has joined the team as Office Assistant and Kevin Raphael was promoted to Pool Supervisor.

The office will be closed in observance of Thanksgiving on November 26th, 27th and 28th.

COMMITTEE PRESENTATION: Pam Henline, Chair of the Information Committee, presented an overview of the committee's work which includes publishing the monthly VISTA, keeping apprised of eBlasts, marquee messages and website announcements.

NEW BUSINESS: Members participated in a productive discussion about whether to require dogs to be leashed on all ECIA common properties including the hike and bike trails, Preserve, Compadres Park, and areas around the Community Center. Further conversation is needed to ensure that whatever "Best Practice" guidelines are proposed, it reflects the safety and enjoyment of our dog-owning residents and those who hike the Preserve or trails.

- A resident presented poll results gathered from Nextdoor indicating 71% of voters [ECIA members] felt unleashed dogs were a problem. He suggested the rules for dog owners devised in 2013 be reviewed.
- The ECIA Compliance Coordinator recommended the mandatory leash control rule in the greenbelts and preserve. He indicated the voice control policy is too vague.
- The Conservation Committee Chair expressed interest in the topic because rules for dog owners are incorporated into the Preserve brochure. He suggested the group arrive at a consensus and make recommendations to the Board of Directors.
- A resident suggested ECIA follow the Santa Fe County leash laws.
- A resident suggested the community contact Hank Hughes with their opinions – though the County cannot enforce HOA covenants.

John Reynolds introduced Sal Monaco, David Sorkin, and Jody Price who, along with John, are investigating electronic voting systems that could be used by ECIA residents. They are in the discovery phase of the project and looking for feedback. They will keep the community informed of their progress.

ONGOING BUSINESS: Pam Henline, Chair of the Information Committee, reported on the status of ECIA logo development. Along with Pam, Bonn Macy and Joe Sulzberg are working with Think All Day, the graphic design firm chosen from 23 vendors, to design a logo that reflects the beauty and essence of Eldorado. The ongoing question is whether to use "Eldorado Community Improvement Association" or "Eldorado at Santa Fe".

OPEN FORUM: NONE

The Board of Directors approved the following variances:

- To allow for a 7-foot encroachment into the 50-foot roadside setback for a proposed addition to the home at 1 Elena Court. Motioned by Carol Sanguinetti, seconded by Melicent D'Amore.
- To allow for a detached garage to be located 16 feet from the home at 15 Melado Drive. Motioned by Carol Sanguinetti, Seconded by David Sorkin.
- To allow for the construction of a shed 70 feet from the home at 7 Encantado Circle. Motioned by Melicent D'Amore, seconded by David Sorkin.
- To allow for the construction of a 160-foot privacy fence that is 8 feet tall and would include a 4-foot encroachment into the roadside setback at 3 Conchas Place. Motioned by Melicent D'Amore, seconded by Carol Sanguinetti.

The Board of Directors passed the following motions:

1. To affirm the unanimous electronic vote by the Board of Directors September 24, 2020, regarding the two variance requests for 5 Dulce Road. Motioned by Nancy Sulzberg, seconded by Melicent D'Amore. All in favor.
2. To affirm the unanimous electronic vote by the Board of Directors October 15, 2020 regarding the variance request for 31 Estambre Road. Motioned by Melicent D'Amore, seconded by David Sorkin. All in favor.
3. To accept Lee Chiacas' resignation from the Information Committee. Motion by Melicent D'Amore, seconded by Carol Sanguinetti. All in favor.
4. To accept Gretel Underwood's resignation from Stable committee. Motioned by Carol Sanguinetti, seconded by Melicent D'Amore. All in favor.
5. To approve the appointments of Kelly Smith and Lisa Bessone to the Stable Committee. Motioned by Carol, Sanguinetti seconded by David Sorkin. All in favor.
6. To accept Marti Zieg's resignation from Finance committee. Motioned by Sal Monaco, seconded by Nancy Sulzberg. All in favor.
7. To approve the appointment of Jürgen Lehmann to the Conservation Committee. Motioned by Carol Sanguinetti, seconded by David Sorkin. All in favor.
8. To approve the expenditure for installing five [5] cameras around the Dog Park. Motioned by David Sorkin, seconded by Nancy Sulzberg. All in favor.
9. To approve the revised Procurement Policy [posted on the website]. Motioned by Sal Monaco, seconded by Melicent D'Amore. All in favor.

The President's Report and Treasurer's Report, along with Task Group and Committee reports are on the website. Approximately 32 members of the community signed into the meeting. Recordings of the meeting can be requested by calling the ECIA office at [505] 466-4248. Complete minutes and agendas are available at the ECIA office or on the website: www.eldoradosf.org.

The meeting adjourned at 7:04 PM.

Thank you to all who participated and we hope to see you at the next meeting on:

Monday, November 23 at 5 PM