

Whiffletree Home Owners' Association
Annual HOA Meeting
April 13, 2025

2:02 pm: The Annual WHOA Board Meeting was called to order by Jim. The meeting was held at the Davis Library.

2024-2025 Officers Attending:

- ✓ Jim Skelly – President
- ✓ Tommy Mrazek – Vice President
- ✓ Bill Ostergren – Treasurer
- ✓ Lisa Kravitz – Secretary
- ✓ HB Bartz – Membership Committee Chair
- ✓ Tom Dixon – Beautification Committee Chair
- ✓ Bill Webb – Social Committee Chair
- ✓ Tom Moore – Crime Watch Committee Chair
- Suzanne Starling - Welcoming Committee Co-Chair
- ✓ Nona Reid – Welcoming Committee Co-Chair

WHOA Members Attending

Alan Kravitz
Ginny Skelly
Andrea Landon
Thomas Landon
Annemarie Martin
George Daneker
Mark Israelson
Micaela Rosales
Greg Petty
Roberta Parker
Beeben Russell
Lori Robinson
Melissa Parrott

Special Guests from City of Plano

Jason Gregorash, Assistant Budget Director
Abby Owens, Department Public Works Director
Paul Kunze, Facilities Manager
Susan Carr, Director Emergency Services
Chris Biggerstaff, Fire Chief
Libby Holt, Library Manager
Ron Smith, Parks & Recreation Director

2025-2026 WHOA Board Election

- The WHOA Board made the following nominations for the 2025-2026 WHOA Board:
 - Jim Skelly for President
 - Tommy Mrazek for Vice President
 - Andrea Landon for Secretary
 - Bill Ostergren for Treasurer
 - Tom Dixon for Beautification Committee Chair
 - Tom Moore for Crime Watch Committee Chair
 - HB Bartz for Membership Committee Chair
 - Bill Webb for Social Committee Chair
 - Nona Reid and Suzanne Starling for Welcoming Committee co-Chairs
- The floor was opened for further nominations. No additional nominations were offered.
- A motion was made and seconded to accept the slate as proposed by the Board by proclamation as the next WHOA Board.
- The 2025-2026 WHOA Board was unanimously approved by all members attending.

Committee Reports

Actions are noted with the keyword **Action:** below.

Treasurer's Report & Annual Budget Proposal – Bill Ostergren

- Handouts provided
- Bill presented the proposed budget at the meeting
- Timing of dues payments affects the budget
- Motion made & seconded to approve the 2025-2026 budget. All attending members approved.

Beautification Report – Tom Dixon

- Tom presented a report about the activities at each entrance of the neighborhood.
- Yard of the Month (YOM) – 8 awards: 5 for great care of landscaping, 3 for holiday decorations.
- Spots are open for beautification volunteers,
- **Action:** Question asked about address labels on the curbs – Bill Webb mentioned the service to do custom curb labeling. WHOA working with potential curb address label company to provide discounted price for service for Whiffletree neighbors based on a volume of sign-ups.

Crime Watch – Tom Moore

- Tom Moore reported about Crime Watch activities.
- Crime Watch works with the Plano Police Department for special safety programs.
- Nation Night Out is 2nd Tuesday in October – will be a big event with other surrounding neighborhoods.
- **Action:** Question asked about deterrent signing or cameras. Some people may be interested in adding cameras. Or adding fake cameras as a deterrent. This will be a topic to discuss during the year.
- **Action:** Crime Watch signage should be added to the neighborhood. This will be investigated.
- **Action:** Someone has asked about speedbumps on Marchman – this seems unlikely, since it is a City of Plano responsibility. A suggestion was to ask the PPD to put a temporary speed limit camera/sign on the Marchman.

Membership – HB Bartz

- HB presented the report about membership activities.
- 2025: 160 paid households
- Only 60% of households participate per HB
- Digital Directory was made available online to save money due to mailings and provide convenience to WHOA members.
- **Action:** Question about online Facebook group - A suggestion to get the word out to neighbors is to add a social media committee to cover all social media sites for better communication to the members. Micaela Rosales offered to help with this.

Social – Bill Webb

- Bill Webb presented the social committee activities for last year and requested ideas for new activities for the coming year.
- The Women of Whiffletree group has helped with getting people together for more social activities (WWW event, Book Club, Bunco, & several volunteer activities to name a few.)

Welcoming Committee – Nona Reid & Suzanne Starling

- Nona presented the Welcoming Committee activities – 17 new resident households were welcomed in the past fiscal year.
- The Welcome basket was displayed.
- Nona welcomed suggestions to welcome new residents.

Following the WHOA business meeting, an excellent and informative presentation from the City of Plano was given about the upcoming Bond Referendum:

Jason Gregorash from the City of Plano introduced the 7 propositions in the upcoming Bond Referendum to be up for vote in May 2025.

All information about these plans can be found on Plano.gov.

- Paul Kunze – Facilities manager
 - New headquarters for PPD and other safety/advocacy departments at NW corner of Park & Alma.
- Susan Carr – Director of Public Safety Communications
 - Plan to move 911 from the basement of the City Hall building to the new Police Headquarters to provide a more secure & safer facility for this 24x7 service.
 - Also planned is a new Police Training Center.
- Fire Chief Chris Biggerstaff
 - 3 new Fire stations. Will improve response times and reduce the number of times that districts need to crossover to cover other districts.
- Abby Owens – Public Works
 - Maintenance support for the government equipment and facilities.
 - Need to expand parking services and work bays to support the large vehicles (solid waste & fire trucks)
 - Road repairs (concrete) and overlays
- Libby Holt – Libraries
 - Updates to existing libraries.
- Ron Smith – Parks & Recreation
 - Land acquisition for parkland in a new neighborhood development.
 - Community parks renovation (potential is shell park)
 - Relocating maintenance building
 - General Park improvements (dog park shade, trails)
 - New trail sections.
 - Street improvements planned for 2 neighborhoods per year (Whiffletree done in 2009)
- Mark Israelson – City Manager (& Whiffletree resident) provided additional information.

Action: Slides from the presentation to be made available on www.mywhiffletreehoa.com.

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Motion to adjourn was seconded and approved.

3:10pm Meeting was adjourned.

Next WHOA Board Meeting **TBD** in May 2025.