

NORTH FORT WORTH ALLIANCE
MINUTES OF MEETING
FELLOWSHIP OF THE PARKS CHURCH
JUNE 19, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 9:07 am by President Colleen Demel. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

Colleen then introduced Lance Griggs, president of Summerfields HOA, to present the details on the action being taken by Summerfields regarding the Fort Worth/YMCA "Community Center" on Beach Street. He presented the following:

1. Funds totaling \$2.5 million for a community center in District 5 (Danny Scarth's district) were approved by the voters as part of the 2004 Bond package. The location was specified on the ballot as being between Western Center and North Tarrant Parkway.
2. After the voters approved this bond package, the city of Fort Worth entered into an agreement with the YMCA whereby the city would build the facility and the YMCA would operate it. There was no public approval sought on this agreement.
3. Subsequently, this "community center" was built by Fort Worth, but located on Beach Street in District 2, north of North Tarrant Parkway – not what the voters had approved. Again, there was no public approval sought on this change of location.
4. Since the YMCA/Fort Worth Community Center opened, there have been numerous complaints about its inaccessibility for neighborhood groups as well as the lack of programs as offered by other true Fort Worth community centers that are not operated by the YMCA.
5. Summerfields HOA has filed suit with the State of Texas against the City of Fort Worth for misuse/misappropriation of funds as described and approved by the voters in the 2004 bond authorization.

Additional discussion ensued. By an electronic vote, the North Fort Worth Alliance had previously voted to support Summerfields in this endeavor. In fact, when this "community center" was first opened, the NFWA was denied usage of the center for their meetings unless the Alliance agreed to severely alter their meeting time (7:00 am) so as to not conflict with classes being offered (for a fee) by the YMCA.

Colleen then opened the floor for discussion on issues that were currently being faced by the various HOAs present. Collections of dues (assessments) were discussed. Many of the HOAs not only in north Texas but throughout the state are experiencing

difficulties in these collections. The positions of Senator West and Representative Solomons in the Texas legislature were discussed as negatively affecting the rights of the mandatory HOAs. It was reported that skewed accounts were being circulated in the media regarding foreclosures by HOAs that when investigated proved to be false or quite distorted. When the legislature convenes in January, the NFWA will consider what action its members deem necessary to address this situation.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Shirley Gansser, Acting Secretary