RPENA Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, October 27, 2026
Time: 7:06 PM – 8:30 PM
Location: 9926 Claymore

Attendance

- **Present:** Ford, Brooks, Meghan, Jim, Sam, Maria, Diane

Financials & Budget Approvals

The **Fiscal Year 2026–2027 Total Budget was set at $11,005**, with projected dues bringing in **$8,250**.

The annual committee budget was **approved unanimously** (First: Meghan, Second: Diane), breaking down as follows:

- **Beautification Committee: $1,600** allocated for bridge touch-ups (potential succulents, river rocks, mulch, turf).
- **Security Camera Upgrade: $2,000**
- **Water Budget: $1,100**
- **Social Committee: $900** (adjusted higher to account for overages in prior years).
- **Dallas Police Services: $300**
- **Membership Committee: $200**

Committee Reports

Treasurer (Brooks)

- **Camera System:** The AV technician visited. Cameras will be attached to Ford's, prior Littlejohn's, and Brooks' houses. The Littlejohn camera is currently active, while the Ford and Brooks cameras are pending camera mounts.
- **System Migration:** The new system is up, and both software systems are running in tandem. Brooks is awaiting administrative system control of the new network.

- **Incident Report:** An SUV that periodically parks in the neighborhood was spotted in front of Brooks' house today (10/27) at 5:45 PM and drove through Nicky's front yard.

Membership (Jim)

- **Current Count:** 46 homeowners have paid their dues for the current year.
- **Special Contributions**: One generous homeowner submitted a check for $500.
- **Drive Progress:** Four neighbors who did not pay last year have contributed this year.
- **Deadline**: The membership drive officially concludes at the end of November.

Crime & Safety (Diane)

- **Surrounding Issues:** Crime and safety issues are bleeding over from Richland Trace and Warren. Diane spoke to Warren management regarding men parking in the neighborhood, but they do not have any information.
- **City Outreach:** Diane had email and phone correspondence with **Kathy Stewart, District 10 City of Dallas Councilwoman,** regarding the neighborhood's troubling activity. Stewart indicated she will attempt to meet with **Sammy Robinson** (Sergeant, NE Dallas Neighborhood Police Officer) regarding these issues.

Newsletter (Meghan)

- **Next Issue:** Scheduled for **November**.
- **Deadline for articles: Friday, November 13, 2026**.
- **Content: I**nclude standard neighborhood reminders, promotion of the RPENA website.

Secretary / Beautification

- No updates reported.

Motions & New Business

- **Camera Host Dues Reduction:** Brooks proposed a measure to **reduce dues by 50% effective next year** for homeowners hosting neighborhood security cameras. **Approved** (First: Sam, Second: Jim).

- **Holiday Party:** The board discussed potentially hosting the Holiday Party sometime in January, with further details and planning to be discussed at a later date.

Next Meeting

- **Date & Time: Tuesday, November 24, 2026 at 7:00 PM**
- **Location:** 9926 Claymore

Minutes concluded at 8:30 PM (First: Brooks, Second: Diane).