BYLAWS OF STONE CREEK SUBDIVISION HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

The administration of the Stone Creek Subdivision Homeowners Association shall be governed by the following Bylaws:

ARTICLE 1

Memberships

Section 1.1. Qualifications: For purposes of these Bylaws, Stone Creek Subdivision includes all sections of Stone Creek Subdivision, whether presently platted or to be platted in the future. Every person or entity who is a record owner of a lot in Stone Creek Subdivision (the "Subdivision") or who is the beneficiary of a land trust holding title to a lot in the Subdivision, shall be a member of the Stone Creek Subdivision Homeowners Association (the "Association"). Ownership of a lot shall be the sole qualification for membership. Additional property owners may become members of the Association as provided in the Revised and Restated Covenants and Restrictions. If more than one person or entity is the record owner of, or a beneficiary of a land trust holding title to a lot in the Subdivision, all such persons or entities shall be members.

Section 1.2. Members: A member shall have no vested right, interest or privilege of, in, or to the assets, functions, affairs, or franchises of the Association, or any right, interest, or privilege which may be transferable or inheritable, or which shall continue after his/her membership ceases, or while he/she is not in good standing. The membership is appurtenant to and shall not be separated from ownership of a lot. The membership shall automatically terminate upon the sale, transfer, or other disposition by a member of his/her ownership of a lot, at which time the new owner shall automatically become a member of the Stone Creek Subdivision Homeowners Association. Each member of the Association shall be bound by and shall observe the terms and provisions of the Covenants and restrictions of the Subdivision, the Bylaws of the Association, and the rules and regulations promulgated from time to time by the Association or its Board of Directors (the "Board"). No member shall have the right or power to disclaim, terminate, or withdraw from this membership in the Association, or from any obligations as a member by abandonment of his/her residence or for any other reason.

Section 1.3. Voting Rights: Each lot in the Subdivision shall be entitled to one (1) vote, which may be cast, either in person or by proxy, by the owner of such lot. If more than one (1) member is a record owner or beneficiary of the title-holding land trust of a lot in the Subdivision, then the vote for that lot shall be exercised as those members amongst themselves determine. In no event shall more than one (1) vote be cast with respect to any one (1) lot. A lot owner may vote by written proxy, such proxy being invalid after eleven (11) months from the date of its execution, unless otherwise provided in the proxy. Vote by proxy must bear the date of execution thereof. An owner of multiple lots may cast a vote equal to the number of lots owned.

Section 1.4. Suspension of Voting Rights: The Association shall have the right to suspend the voting rights of any member for any period during which an assessment levied by the Association against the member's lot remains unpaid, or upon the member's violation of any

Bylaws of the Association. Any voting rights so suspended shall remain suspended until the unpaid assessments are paid in full or until the condition of the Covenants and restrictions and/or the Bylaws are cured.

Article II

Meetings of Members

Section 2.1. Annual Meetings: There shall be an annual meeting of the members of the Association at such place as may be designated, on or between the 15th day of September and the 15th day of October at 7:00 p.m., for the election of a Board of Directors and for the transaction of such business as may come before the meeting. Written or electronic notice of the annual meeting stating the date, place, and the hour of the meeting shall be distributed by the Board or a representative designated by the Board.

Section 2.2. Special Meetings: Special meetings of the members shall be held whenever called by the Board or by the voting members having, in the aggregate, not less than twenty-five per cent (25%) of the total votes of the Association. Notice of each special meeting, stating the time, place, and in general terms the purpose or purposes thereof, shall be sent by mail or electronic mail to the last known address of all members at least ten days prior to the meeting.

Section 2.3. Quorum: The presence in person or by written proxy at any meeting of the voting members having twenty percent (20%) of the total votes of the Association shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Unless otherwise expressly provided herein or required by the General Not-For-Profit Corporation Act or the Articles of Incorporation of the Association, any action may be taken at any meeting of the voting members at which a quorum is present upon the affirmative vote of the voting members having a majority of the total votes present at such meeting.

ARTICLE III

Board of Directors

Section 3.1. Board of Directors: The business and affairs of the Association shall be managed by a Board elected by the members, with the intent but not the obligation that there is a Director from each of the five (5) neighborhoods (Reserve, Greens, Highlands, Enclave, and Fairways). The Board shall consist of seven (7) Directors. From these seven, the Board shall select a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Chairperson of Architecture, and Chairperson of Grounds.

Section 3.2. Powers & Duties: The Board of Directors shall have the powers and duties necessary for the administration of the affairs of the Association and may do all such acts and activities as are, not by law or these Bylaws, directed to be exercised and done by the members.

Section 3.3. Other Duties: In addition to duties imposed by these Bylaws, the Articles of Incorporation of the Association, or by resolution of the Association, the Board shall be responsible for the following:

- 1) Care and upkeep of the Subdivision including the common areas and facilities to the extent the same is not performed by the members;
- 2) Levying and collection of the annual assessments and any special assessments hereinafter provided for from the members;
- 3) Designation and dismissal of personnel necessary for the accomplishment of the purposes of the Association;
- 4) Expenditure of funds in accordance with the annual budget and amendments thereto;
- 5) Enforcement of any and all covenants, restrictions, and agreements applicable to lots within the Subdivision, and adopting, amending, and enforcing rules and regulations; and
- 6) Maintenance of liability insurance and filing of all required government forms.

Nothing herein shall impose any duty upon the Board to provide care, upkeep, or maintenance upon any real property or improvement upon real property owned by any member of the Association that is not located upon the common areas of the Subdivision.

The Board and officers of the Association and employees and agents of any of them shall not be liable to the owners or any other person for any mistake of judgment or for any acts or omissions of any nature whatsoever in their respective positions, except for such acts or omissions found by a court of competent jurisdiction to constitute willful misfeasance, gross negligence, or fraud. The owners shall indemnify, hold harmless, protect and defend the foregoing parties against all claims, suits, losses, damages, costs and expenses, including without limitation, reasonable attorney's fees and amounts paid in reasonable settlement or compromise incurred in connection therewith. The burden of the foregoing indemnity shall be borne by the owners at the time such loss, damage, cost or expense is incurred in the same proportion as assessments are borne by the owners.

- **Section 3.4. Executive Committee:** The Board may select from their number an executive committee consisting of not less than three (3) members of the Board, which committee shall have all the powers of the Board between meetings, regular or special. The President of the Association shall be a member of, and shall be chairman of, the Executive Committee.
- **Section 3.5. Regular Meetings:** The Board shall meet for the transaction of business at such place as may be designated from time to time. After the initial organizational meeting of the Board, a minimum of three (3) regular meetings shall be held each calendar year.
- **Section 3.6. Special Meetings:** Special meetings of the Board may be called by the President or by three (3) members of the Board for any time and place, provided reasonable notice of such

meetings shall be given to each member of the Board before the appointed time for such meetings.

Section 3.7. Quorum: The Directors shall act only as a Board, and the individual Directors shall have no power as such. A majority of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and a majority of those present (in person or electronically) at the time and place of any regular or special meeting, although less than a quorum, may adjourn the same from time to time without notice until a quorum be at hand. The act of a majority of Directors present at any meeting at which there is a quorum shall be the act of the Board, except as may be otherwise provided by law.

Section 3.8. Order of Business: The Board may from time to time determine the order of business at its meetings.

Section 3.9. Chairman: At all meetings of the Board, the President, or, in his/her absence, the Vice President, or in the absence of both, a chairman chosen by the Directors present, shall preside.

Section 3.10. Terms of Members of the Board: The initial Board on or after the turnover date will consist of seven (7) Directors, three (3) of which would serve a one (1) year term. The other four (4) Directors would serve a term of two (2) years. Those serving a one (1) year term will be determined by lot by the Directors at the first Board meeting, and those three (3) Directorships would be up for election at the end of year one (1). The following year, four (4) Directorships would be up for election. All subsequent Directorships would serve two (2) year staggered terms.

Section 3.11. Compensation: Members of the Board shall receive no compensation for their services.

Section 3.12. Consent: Unless specifically prohibited by the Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws, any action required to be taken at a meeting of the Board, or any other action which may be taken at a meeting of the Board, or of any committee thereof, may be taken without a meeting if a consent in writing or by email, setting forth the action so taken shall be signed by all the Directors entitled to vote with respect to the subject matter thereof, or by all members of such committee, as the case may be. Any such consent signed by all the Directors or all the members of the committee shall be the same effect as a unanimous vote, and may be stated as such in any document filed with the Secretary of State or with anyone else.

Section 3.13. Annual Report: The Board, after the close of the fiscal year, shall submit to the members a report on the activities of the Association and shall submit an account of the financial transactions of the past year and a proposed budget for the ensuing year.

Section 3.14. Vacancies in the Board: Whenever a vacancy in the membership of the Board shall occur, the remaining members of the Board shall have the power, by a majority vote, to select a member of the Association or a designated representative or representatives of said member to serve the unexpired term of the vacancy. If any Director fails to attend a majority of

the number of meetings of the Board in any fiscal year, the Board may in its sole discretion declare his/her office vacant.

ARTICLE IV

Duties of Officers

- **Section 4.1. President:** Subject to the direction of the Board, the President shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the Association, and shall perform such other duties as from time to be assigned by the Board. The President shall be an ex-officio member of all committees.
- **Section 4.2. Vice President:** The Vice President shall serve as the liaison to the City of Urbana and perform such duties as may be assigned by the Board or the President. In case of the absence or disability of the President, the duties of that officer shall be performed by the Vice President.
- **Section 4.3. Secretary:** The Secretary shall keep the minutes of all proceedings of the Board and of all committees and the minutes of the annual meetings and special meetings for the members, as well as such books and papers as the Board may direct, and shall in general perform all the duties incident to the office of the Secretary, subject to the control of the Board and the President. The Secretary shall also perform all other duties as may be assigned by the President or by the Board.
- **Section 4.4. Treasurer:** The Treasurer shall have the custody of all the receipts, disbursements, funds, and securities of the Association and shall perform all duties incident to the office of the Treasurer, subject to the control of the Board and the President. The Treasurer shall perform such other duties as may from time to time be assigned by the Board or the President. If required by the Board, the Treasurer shall give a bond for the faithful discharge of duties in such sum as the Board may require.
- **Section 4.5. Chairperson of Architecture:** The Chairperson of Architecture shall perform such duties as leading the Architectural Committee in reviewing all proposed building plans for new homes and modifications to existing homes for compliance to the Covenants and restrictions and any waivers granted by the Architectural Committee.
- **Section 4.6. Chairperson of Grounds:** The Chairperson of Grounds shall perform such duties as overseeing and facilitating maintenance of all common areas of the Subdivision.
- **Section 4.7. Subordinate Officers:** The President, with the approval of the Board, may appoint such other officers, agents, and committee chairpersons as the Board may deem necessary, who shall hold office during the pleasure of the Board, and who shall have such authority and perform such duties as from time to time may be prescribed by the Board.
- **Section 4.8. Committees:** The Board may designate one (1) or more committees, which shall have such authority and perform such duties as from time to time may be prescribed by the Board. Each member of a committee shall continue as such until a successor is appointed, unless

the committee shall be terminated, or unless such member be removed from such committee, or unless such member shall cease to qualify as a member thereof. The Architectural Committee shall not be subject to control of the Association and shall operate independently of these Bylaws, in accordance with the Covenants and restrictions for the Subdivision.

Article V

Loss of Property

Section 5.1. Liability: The Board shall not be liable or responsible for the destruction or the loss of, or damage to, the property of any member or the guest of any member, or visitor, or other person.

Article VI

Maintenance and Special Assessments

Section 6.1. Creation of Assessments: The Board shall have the right and power to subject the property situated in all phases of the Subdivision, except public streets, ways, and parks, to an annual maintenance assessment and to special assessments.

Commencing on the Association turnover date, each owner of lots in the Subdivision shall be assessed an annual maintenance charge against his/her lot or lots, and such annual maintenance assessment shall be used by the Association to create and continue a Maintenance Fund to be used by the Association as hereinafter stated. The assessment amount shall be payable to the Association on January 1 the following year and will be delinquent when not paid within 30 days after it becomes due.

The annual maintenance assessment may be adjusted from year to year by the Board as the needs of the common areas, in the Board's judgment may require, but in no event shall the assessment in any year for any one (1) lot exceed the sum of one hundred fifty dollars, unless changed by a vote of the membership at an annual or special meeting.

Section 6.2. Special Assessments: Special Assessments may be made by the Board, upon notice, to pay for capital improvements authorized by the members or to supplement any reserve furnished by the annual maintenance assessment.

Section 6.3. Use of Maintenance Assessments: The Maintenance Fund may be used for:

1) Lighting, improving and maintaining the street island and median areas, the common area easements, and dedicated right-of-way areas maintained for the general use of the owners and occupants of land included in such Subdivision;

- 2) Operating and maintaining any storm-water drains now or hereafter constructed in such Subdivision that are not or will not be under the direct supervision of the City, or State, or drainage district; and
- 3) Any other things necessary or desirable, in the opinion of the Board, to keep the property commons neat and in good order and, which in the opinion of the Board, may be of general benefit to the owners or occupants of the land included in such Subdivision.

Section 6.4. Creation of Lien and Personal Obligation of Assessments: The Association shall have a continuing lien on each lot in the Subdivision to secure the payment of maintenance or special assessments due or to become due, and the record owners of such lots shall be personally liable for all maintenance or special assessments.

Upon reasonable demand, the Association shall furnish to any owner or mortgagee or person interested a statement showing the amount of any unpaid assessment charges against any lot or lots.

Section 6.5. Non-payment of Assessments: If any regular maintenance or special assessment is not paid on the date when due, then such assessment shall become delinquent and shall, together with such interest thereon and costs of collection including reasonable attorney's fees as hereinafter provided, thereupon become a continuing lien on the property and an equitable charge running with the land touching and concerning it, which shall bid upon property in the hands of the then owner, his/her grantees, heirs, devisees, administrators, executors, legal representatives, assigns and successors, and the limitation thereof shall coincide with the statutory limitation of the State of Illinois for an enforcement of oral agreements. The personal obligation of the then owner to pay such assessment, however, shall remain his/her personal obligation for the statutory period and shall not pass as a personal obligation to successors in title unless expressly assumed by them. If title to a lot is held by an Illinois Land trust, and Trustee shall not have any personal liability for the assessment, but all beneficiaries of the trust shall be jointly and severally so liable. In the event title to a lot is held by more than one owner, all owners shall be jointly and severally liable. The lien shall attach to rents due from parties in possession of the record owner, provided that it shall be subordinate to an assignment of rents held by a mortgagee delivered in connection with the first mortgage loan to purchase the property.

If the assessment in not paid within 30 days after the delinquency date, the assessment shall bear interest from the date of delinquency at the maximum rate of interest per annum permitted by the usury laws of the State of Illinois and the Association may bring an action at law against the owner personally obligated to pay same or to foreclose the lien against the property and there shall be added to the amount of such assessment all the cost of preparing and filing the complaint and maintaining and concluding such action, including the costs of the title reports, and in the event a personal judgment or decree of foreclosure is obtained, such judgment decree shall include interest on the assessment as above provided and a reasonable attorney's fee to be fixed by the court together with all costs of the action. The venue for all legal actions shall be in

Champaign County, Illinois. The persons in possession shall be authorized to accept the summons for the owners of the lot.

No owner may waive or otherwise escape liability for the assessments provided for herein for any reason. In the event that title to any lot is conveyed to a land trust, upon the demand of the Association, the Trustee shall furnish the Association with a certified copy of the trust agreement and any amendments thereto, so that the Association shall be advised of the identity of the beneficiaries entitled to vote and who will be personally liable for the regular and special assessments.

Article VII

Notice

Section 7.1. Notice: Whenever, according to these Bylaws, a notice shall be required to be given to any member or Director, it shall not be construed to mean personal notice, but such notice may be given electronically, such as by email, or in writing by depositing the same in a post office in Champaign County, Illinois, in a postpaid sealed envelope, addressed to such member, or Director, at his/her address as the same appears on the books of the Association, and the time when such notice is electronically transmitted or mailed shall be deemed the time of the giving of such notice.

Section 7.2. Waiver of Notice: Whenever any notice is required to be given under the provisions of these Bylaws or under the provisions of the Articles of Incorporation or under the provisions of the Illinois General Not-For-Profit Corporation Act, a waiver thereof in writing, signed by the person or persons entitled to such notice, whether before or after the time stated therein, shall be deemed equivalent to the giving of such notice.

Article VIII

Amendments

Section 8.1. Amendments: The provisions of the Bylaws may be changed, modified, or amended by an instrument in writing setting forth such change, modification, or rescission certified by the Secretary. Such change, modification, or rescission shall be approved at a membership meeting called for this purpose. The presence in person or by proxy at said meeting of the voting members of the Association having a majority of the total votes shall constitute a quorum. However, said change, modification, or rescission must be approved by not less than a majority of the total number of votes of the Association.

Article IX

Fiscal Year

Section 9.1. Fiscal Year: The fiscal year of the corporation shall begin on the 1^{st} day of January and shall terminate on the 31^{st} day of December of each year.