

BOD Meeting notes from 7-27-09

Meeting called to order at approx 7:05pm

In attendance: Dave, Pat B., Heather, Jim and myself.

Notes from last meeting read and accepted.

ACC Committee:

It was noted that new bark has been added to the 2nd entrance area. Dave is planning on getting bark for his home in the near future and will add 5 yards to his purchase to be spread in the 1st area.

Jim has received 3 bids for the clearing of the common area behind the mailboxes. Bids of \$3692, \$2823 and approx \$1823 were received. It was noted that this area is actually a right of way for PSE. They have been contacted regarding the clearing/cleaning of this area. They will not / do not plan on clearing it themselves unless they plan on using the area and that will not happen in the foreseeable future. They have no issues with us clearing/cleaning, but any developing of the land would need to go through their approval process.

A discussion followed as to why the area needed to be cleared/cleaned. What were we trying to achieve? Is this something that we could do as community and save or reduce the cost? Do the homeowners that are directly affected by the area really want it cleaned up? Should a letter be sent to all homeowners regarding this issue?

The issue regarding the Homeowner that has a satellite dish on the front of their home was once again brought up. It is felt that the BOD is not dealing with this issue and we want to be able to prove what steps we have taken and our reasoning behind them.

There has not been a concentrated effort to address the previously noted violations to the covenants regarding driveways and several other issues for which the Homeowner's have been notified. Also, the committee members still need to walk the neighborhood to check for additional violations so the new letters can be sent. Jim has noted that he and another board member will make this happen by Aug 7th and let the BOD know the results so that it can be discussed in detail at the next meeting.

It was noted that several of the newest Homeowner's did not receive copies of the covenants when they closed on the sale of their homes. I will make copies to give to Pat B., who will give out to those Homeowner's that requested.

Pat B. noted that we have received our approval for the Adopt a Road program. The county will provide bags and other gear for us to use during our cleanup times and they will collect haul away the trash. They will also provide 2 signs for us to post in the neighborhood.

Security/Safety Committee:

The BOD still needs to get the locks for the gates going to the retention ponds. It was agreed that leaving these area's unlocked creates a large liability for the neighborhood and this should be dealt with ASAP.

Also the posts and chains that block off the roads leading to the ponds have been compromised and partially destroyed in a couple of locations. I will take pictures of those and email them out by this weekend.

It was noted that perhaps the BOD should be charging the Homeowner(s) that may have caused the damage, but nothing was decided upon at this time.

Dave is going to contact the police regarding comments made from one of the Homeowners about a call placed by them because of a fire and possible drug use in the natural area between our two main streets.

Dave has researched and spoken with several people regarding the surveillance cameras that have discussed on several occasions. Due to the difficulty and cost involved with the cameras, it was decided they are not a viable option at this time; however, we can do “dummy” cameras and post signs that are typically just as effective. Along with the surveillance signs the BOD has also agreed that “Children at Play” signs are needed. Dave found that the signs could be purchased for approx \$100. The BOD agreed to a budget of \$1000 for both of these projects.

Social Committee:

Fourth of July event: Despite the request for an earlier start time, there was not nearly the “complete” neighborhood participation that was expected. Due to this lack of participation, it was decided that next year we should just plan a “Summer get together” on a weekend that doesn’t involve a holiday. Hopefully this will better accepted and more families will be able to attend.

The next community clean up day was set for September 19th with a 9am start time. The plan is to clean up the retention pond areas, clean up the roadsides and perhaps at least take down some of the alder trees in the common area behind the mailboxes. The BOD will provide drinks and gas for any motorized equipment if needed. Heather will work on the flyer to send out to the Homeowners.

To make it easier for the board members to plan for meetings, it was decided to set the meeting dates for the rest of the year. The meetings for the rest of 2009 will be held on the second Monday of the month, at Pat B’s home, 7pm start time, to be kept to an hour long if at all possible.

Dates as follows:

August 10th
September 14th
October 12th
November 9th
December 14th

Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.