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Updates for Dodd Marsh Highlands Townhomes



Annual Meeting Notes

11/24/2014

The Annual Homeowner Association meeting for 2014 was held November 24, 2014 at the Lakeville Library.

27 of 47 units were represented at the meeting either in person or by proxy, which is one of the largest turnouts we had.

Official minutes of the meeting will be published after board approval at the next board meeting.

Thanks to Barb Thissen and Julie Ischinger for bringing coffee and cookies.

The next Board of Directors meeting will be January 20, 2015 TBD.

Everyone, please have a safe and happy holiday season.

Board of Directors

Board of Directors meet the third Tuesday of the months Jan, Mar, May, Jun, Jul, Aug, Sep, Oct, Nov

President	Buddy Sapp
Vice President	Diane Kellogg
Treasurer	Pete Shean
Secretary	Pete Nelson
Director	Gary Heinen

Property Manager: Ed Burek APMC

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Notes from the Annual Meeting

Review of Financials through October 21, 2014

Treasure Pete Shean discussed the current bills and balances of the CD's and checking account. The annual financial statement will be sent out sometime in January.

Deck Staining 2015

Ed discussed options for decks. He has researched the possibility of replacing the surface boards with maintenance free material. The better material that will not scratch will cost about \$2500/deck.

Ed also mentioned that with proper power washing and staining, we should get about 10 more years out of our current decks. We currently have been staining the decks every 3 years at about \$200 / deck.

Whatever the board decides, it will try and get this done as early in the spring as possible so homeowners don't have to move furniture around.

Driveways

Discussion about driveways among the homeowners was held. The Association has spent \$36,145.67 on driveway repairs and replacement since 2006. \$30,361.67 of this expense is on the driveway aprons. We discussed what options the association has in the future. Options discussed were:

Continue to fix aprons as we have been,

Installing concrete aprons,

Replacing asphalt driveways with concrete,

Replacing the base with class 5 material and using the same grade of asphalt as the city uses for the street.

Sealcoating was also discussed. It's felt that the current process of spraying a thin layer of sealcoat does not work. We could go to a thicker brush on layer or to real seal coating like the city does with the streets.

Ed will get pricing estimates and the board will decide next action in the spring

Insurance Review and safety

Ed discussed the insurance changes that occurred. The master policy is currently underwritten by McGown Insurance and administered through Stein Agency. Please contact Stein Agency for a copy of the master Policy insurance at 651-257-1042.

Our insurance deductible has increased from \$5000 per occurrence to \$5000 per building per occurrence. We have 12 buildings so the total deductible will now be \$60,000.

Director Elections

Two board positions were up for elections. Pete Nelson was re-elected and Steve Saienga was elected to Gary Heinen's position. The 3 year terms will start January 1, 2015.

Board positions will be determined at the next Board meeting in January.



Coffee get together

Coffee gatherings are the first Monday of the month at the Perkins on I35 near Hom furniture. The next gathering will be Dec 1st at 9:00 A.M.

I also wanted to say that it's been a pleasure to serve on the Dodd Marsh Board of Directors the last 10 years. I will miss being involved with the decision making and working with the other board members, the property manager Ed, the landscape committee, and the Architecture Committee.

After retiring a couple of years ago, Jackie and I have been enjoying winters in a warmer climate. I felt I'm away too much now to serve on the board. I will keep maintaining the website and Newsletter going forward.

Have a happy Thanksgiving, a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Gary Heinen