

Countryside Homeowner's Association Meeting

July 9th, 2019 7:00 PM

Whispering Pines Fire Hall

Rapid City, SD

Call to Order: Jon Albers called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Roll Call – Attending Board Members: Corey Van Vlack, Sara Van Vlack, Wendi Albers, Justin Thiry, Shauna Sheets, Dan Smith, Dona Deal, Ed O’Leary, and Jon Albers. A quorum exists with 9 members present. Board members not in attendance – Mark Meissner, Pete Jensen, Chad Tipton, Rich Boernke, and Tom Van Vlack.

Previous Minutes/Agenda Modifications: April 2019 minutes reviewed. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Shauna; second by Justin. Motion passed.

Treasurer’s Report: Sara provided a proposed budget for the upcoming year. Discussion was held regarding some of the money earmarked for tree spraying could now be used on weed spraying in the common areas since the Mountain Pine Beetle cycle is almost over. A motion to accept the proposed budget as written was made by Shauna; second by Wendi. Motion passed.

A motion to accept the Treasurer’s Report was made by Wendi; second by Shauna. Motion passed.

Common Area Committee: The subject of spraying for mosquitos was discussed as they have been more of a problem this wet summer. Homeowner Pete Dowse will check with the City to see if they could spray this neighborhood. If not, the Board can revisit this discussion and other options.

Several Board members commented there are certain parts of the common areas that have tall grass that haven’t been mowed for quite some time. Jon will ask Mark Meissner to contact Allan Mathis who has the mowing contract to make him aware of the problem areas.

Homeowner Tim Vottero presented two ideas to the Board for improvements to be made to Countryside. The first idea is to develop a nature trail in the common area and ravine between Waxwing, Pinyon Jay and Meadowlark. Tim said he would do some research and create a diagram and proposed cost. This could be a good Eagle Scout project. The second idea Tim presented was a way to beautify the concrete pad where the well building sat near the mailboxes on Waxwing. He knows someone at SDSM&T that creates 3D sign art. Tim volunteered to talk with this person about their thoughts on creating 3D art on the concrete pad and how long it would be projected to last being exposed to the elements.

Finance Committee: Sara informed the Board that the notices for annual HOA dues were all mailed out. Payments have started to come in.

Sara will call the Electric Company to inquire about the monthly fee for electricity for lighting the neighborhood sign. Some Board members think the cost seems high and wonder if there is a meter charge attached to this.

Records Committee: Nothing new to report.

Architectural Committee: New requests has been submitted by two homeowners for a building a new garden shed and rebuilding a deck. The Architectural Committee will be reviewing each soon to approve or disapprove. A motion to accept the Architectural Committee report was made by Shauna; second by Sara. Motion passed.

Old Business: Shauna told the Board that so far only one nomination for “Countryside Cares” has been submitted and it is for a project inside of a house versus on the exterior. It was decided to continue accepting nominations for a short while longer to see if others could be obtained.

The concrete work on the paved pathways is still not done. During Jon’s last conversation with Jason at Roth Concrete, Jason said he would have the gravel down and be working on the long, torn out area off Raven Circle by Thursday of this week. It was discussed that if this does not happen and there is no indication that progress is being made on the concrete work, other bids will be sought out.

Jon shared that the recommendations for updates and/or revisions to the existing covenants were sent to the Countryside lawyer for review and recommendations.

New Business: None

The next HOA Board meeting will be Tuesday, September 10th, 2019 at 7:00 pm. This is the Annual meeting and nominations for Board members will be received at this meeting.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Shauna; second by Wendi. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted by Dona Deal