

Laurel Park HOA Meeting
October 14, 2008

Mike Coble from the Concord PD Code enforcement Department.

- His area takes care of enforcing city ordinances, trash in yards, old cars, residents that do not have permits for things, parking incorrectly on the road. You can contact him if we notice something that should be enforced.
- They pick up real estate signs that are left for too long or placed in incorrectly. They will do the same for the political signs; they will give people one week after election to remove them. All signage needs to be in the homeowners front yard. Not the strip of grass between the sidewalk and the street. This goes for political and real estate signs.

Recognition of homeowner's questions:

- Will we have a new Laurel Park directory?
YES! The social committee is taking on this task. Look for a form in the November newsletter, you will have 30 days to fill it in and get the info back to Amy to go in the directory.
- December 16 is the date of the annual meeting. Each committee will have a table set up to "recruit" new volunteers for their group.

Landscape- Ted Cisine

- Currently reviewing contracts for next year's landscaping. They have narrowed the field to 3. Woodlands are still one of the 3 they are considering.
- The granite sign at the front entrance should be in place within the next week or two.
- Found some trees at a good price to replace street trees that are dead. The cost would be \$35 per maple and Scott from Woodlands has agreed to dig up the old ones and plant and stake the new ones for \$80. For a total per tree of \$105. Significantly cheaper than other trees and installation we had priced early. The Landscape committee strongly recommends the HOA find the money to pay for these trees now at this savings.
- Cobblestone – Jim Radlein reported that they have narrowed the candidates for their landscape contract from 7 to 3 and are working hard on making the best decision for Cobblestone.
- Question was raised what is Herman managements role in this? Scott assured everyone that Kris Milstead and Herman management would have done whatever we asked of them in this process, however it was best for us to do it so that is was done to our particular liking.
- Still having a problem with the water filters leading to the irrigation at the front, discoloration is back on the sidewalks. The company who we got the filter from now tells us that we make to use Chlorination "ad on" for an extra charge of \$300 with another installation fee again. Board needs to decide if we want to do that or pull the entire system out and get our money back because we are not satisfied. Will discuss at closed session.
- Park benches from Danbury Park were painted last week thanks to the Girl Scout Troop! Thanks to Lance from Niblock who was able to get us the paint.
- Discussion of the wire grass & Bermuda grass in the Cobblestone yards. There are a couple trying to cultivate it for their yards. We have no way of telling the landscape company who is doing this and who is not so they don't treat for it. It is the homeowner's responsibility.

- Drainage situation between phase I and II – still waiting to hear and need to figure it out for next year's budget.
- Amy raised the question "was the common area used for the cookout even treated for fire ants b/c it did not seem like it?" Check with Scott to see if this is only a 1 time a year application and how much for each after that?

Social Committee – Amy Reiss

- Cookout went very well! Thanks to all who came out and donated
- Brenda Thomas is organizing a "turkey trot" through the neighborhood on Thanksgiving Day. Proceeds to go to charity. Flyers went out in rounders.
- October fall fest all ready to go and the Halloween parade will be at 6:30 on the 31st.

Neighborhood watch- Scott Wauters

- Only 10 streets without a block captain. Check the November newsletter for a list of these streets. Also the neighborhood watch signs are up at front entrance and entrance off Old Speedway. Would like to promote the "8 it too late" campaign this Halloween.

Pool – Scott

- Meet with committee and Pool Management Company. They discussed the hours and budget for next year. They removed hours and dropped the contract down \$5,000 from last year.
- Made up a wish list for next year as far as supplies for the pool

September Minutes were approved by the board members online

Financial report – Harriett

- Niblock owes us \$11,500 that we are waiting for. We were told they are restructuring the company and moving lots into the LLC Company and as soon as this is done they will pay us. "Can we charge them late fees?" will check into that with Kris.
- We are not taking on any more projects for this year and no further spending is allowed unless previously approved
- We do not want to have to cash in any CD's if we don't have to
- Herman management knows the situation and will hold our bill until the end of December.
- It was reported that compared to other neighborhoods around Concord, we have way fewer issues and much more volunteers than other properties. So thank you Laurel Park!

Pine Needles for next year- can we check with Nicholson farms and get a price from them?

Property Taxes- are we still responsible for them since Niblock did not make us aware we owned the property? Kevin is working on this.

Rhee Nelson reported on the North Carolina Community Associations Fall Conference. It was a very informative and well run conference with a lot of good information. She suggests more board members go next year. Scott told her to just let us know when it is and he at least will try to go.

Meeting adjourned 8:45pm

Closed Session:

Old Business

- The board has appointed Chrissy Hayes to stay on and replace Kim until the end of that term next year. Todd has also agreed to remain on the board and try to attend as much as possible when he is now out of town for work.
- Neighborhood Watch signs are up
- Agenda and date for general meeting – December 16th at Crossroads church.
- 2008 budget update
- 2009 budget update

New Business

- Resolution of the \$2853.90 in property tax bills for the city and county. Scott talked to Kevin and he is working on this still. Hopes to have resolution soon.
- Resolution of the \$11,485 that Niblock owes the HOA- Is this from Class B lot assessments? Need to talk to Kevin about this.
- Litter around pond – suppose to be picked up by Woodlands and the light is still out in the gazebo. Litter will be picked up and will remind Kris of light.
- Clubhouse – should we change the rules of use and waive fees? The board voted No to both
- Front entrance rust color on sidewalks is back what to do?
Motion to remove filter system and try to get our money back, approved
Can we try to clean the sidewalks again and then get a price to stain them?
Get with Ted to get a quote on cleaning and staining
- New price of street trees – do we want to go ahead and get these trees and get them planted?
Motion to do so approved.

Meeting Adjourned 8:45