



Coves at Wilton Creek E-Bits

February 26, 2016

February 15, 2016 Board of Directors Meeting Highlights:

President's Report: President Peg Meushaw thanked the membership and the Board for achieving the approval of the By-Laws at the January 14, 2016 Reconvened meeting from November 16, 2015. She confirmed, with a statement from our lawyer, Sarah Palamara, that the procedures followed for the approval of the amended By-Laws were correct.

Treasurer: Jack King reported \$48,000 in Operating Cash and \$594,000 in Reserve Cash and that Virginia Tax Returns had been filed, while the Federal returns were ready with a payment of \$3,065 having already been processed by CBM. Further details are available in Old and New Business.

Communications Committee: Carolyn Schott reported on the success of the two Winter Chats programs with attendance of 28 at each, "From Victim to Violator" presented by Joe and Carolyn Schott and "Solar Power" presented by John Koontz. Jeff Loustaunau will present a video and talk about his 700-mile canoe trip on Friday, March 4th at 7:00 pm in the Clubhouse.

The Committee presented a letter and picture brochure to be sent to area realty companies. The Board approved \$200 for the printing and mailing of these materials.

Social Committee: Laurie King confirmed that we do have volunteer hosts for the four social events for this year. Please check the website calendar for more information.

Water /Sewer Committee: John Koontz's report provided that a water leak at the Villas in early February was quickly repaired, a list of maintenance and/or repairs provided by ChurchView should be completed by the end of this month. New shutoff valves have been installed at the corners of Oyster Cove Landing and Wilton Coves Drive, and Turtle Point Lane and Wilton Coves Drive.

Building and Grounds: Scott Campbell reported that the cost of replacing the entrance road lights is \$16,200. Also reported was the need for improving the appearance of the entrance road landscaping, the new cleaning company is doing a good job and coatings for the basement cement floor are being considered.

Dams & Ponds: Jeff Loustaunau's report stated no issues with the dams, appropriate ground cover for the dams is being investigated and the dam's vegetation will be cut three times a year. Work is being investigated to clean out roadside easements to improve the capture of runoff rainwater, bids for pond liner for Turtle Pond, capturing roof rainwater runoff for homes around the pond and pursuing VDOT to clean easements and correct drop-offs from the road.

Architectural Control Committee: Ann Wickwire reported no new constructions and the Committee's approval of the proposed entrance road lights.

Old Business:

- The Committee Charters were approved.
- An Ad-Hoc Committee to review the landscaping of the entrance road and along Wilton Coves drive was approved.
- \$16,200 was approved for the purchase and installation of the proposed entrance road lighting.

New Business:

- The Board reminded Board and Community Members that the Open Forum was meant to be a time for the Board to receive comments, concerns, ideas, suggestion and praise; not the initiation of a dialogue between the two parties.

- The Board also reminded all of us of the need for all members to adhere to all the Governing Documents and to submit any concerns to the Board for discussion in Executive Session.
- The Board will conduct a survey on a number of ideas submitted to the Board.
- The Board approved several financial matters that will be available in the Minutes.

Owners Forum Topics:

- The question regarding whether the Board had implemented the appropriate actions to approve the Amended By-Laws was resolved with a statement from the lawyer stating that the procedure was correct.
- Mariners Point ChurchView bill was clarified.
- The suggested drone pictures to be taken were cautioned.
- Tennis Court upkeep was questioned.
- Appreciation for the approval of the Committee Charters was offered.
- Question was raised: "What are the required number of ratifications needed for acceptance of the Declaration Ratifications certificates?"

Other Bits:

Winter Chats The third presentation will be held on Friday, March 4, 2016 at 7:00 pm in the Clubhouse. Jeff Loustaunau invites: *"Experience the Northern Forest Canoe Trail, a 700- plus mile paddle trip from Old Forge, New York to Fort Kent, Maine through the eyes of two old coots. Would love to see you there!"* Bring family and friends to enjoy Jeff's presentation of what will be a delightful presentation of pictures and dialogue.

Be on the alert for:

IRS Fraud Scam (A media release from the Kent County, Michigan Sheriff Dept.) (Middlesex residents are receiving these calls as well.)

Kent Count area residents are being contacted by phone by individuals claiming to be associated with the IRS. These individuals are advising the victim(s) that they have an arrest warrant for failure to pay back taxes. The caller instructs the victim(s) that they have to pay an amount of money or they will be arrested.

The caller instructs the victim(s) to obtain a prepaid credit card from a local store (CVS, Wal-Mart, Rite Aid, etc.) for a specific amount. The victim(s) are told to call the caller back. The victim(s) is requested to provide the numbers on the back of the prepaid card. Once the numbers are given, the money is then taken off the card by the suspect and the fraud has been completed.

This is a scam that has happened quite often, but most recently has increased in volume concerning the amount of victims. The Kent County Sheriff Department and IRS do not ever conduct business in this manner.

If you are contacted regarding this scam, contact your local law enforcement agency.

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