

Coves at Wilton Creek E-Bits May 19, 2016

Spring Will Come or Perhaps We Will Just Go Straight into SUMMER!!

Meanwhile, your Board of Directors has continued to take care of the Coves and all of our assets. All board members were in attendance when President Peg Meushaw called the May 9th meeting to order. We have a new CBM manager, Mary Amparo, who just recently joined CBM. Dana Shotts-Neff, president of CBM was also present and provided much appreciated information. Mary reported that she continued to provide all the normal support for the Board and did some research on items under consideration.

The officer reports were all very positive, including Jack King's (treasurer) information on the state of our finances. He stated that in general, all things (finances) are fine. There have been some untimely concerns in the revenue column due to the slowness of reports from the banks and Sydnor, but he expected a resolution shortly. He also gave a thorough report on how the proposed projects, landscaping the entrance and median as well as the updating of the exercise room equipment, can be financially supported. Jack continued that we will have CD's maturing in January-February; so, he has begun researching the best alternatives for those investments.

Carolyn Schott began the committee reports with the work of Communications having delivered the Realtor Brochures, distributed Community Survey results, and suggestions for future "Coves Talks", to be presented all during the year, not just in the winter. The Board approved "Coves Talks" and suggested adding Bob Leboeuf to the list of speakers: Fire Chief, Rescue Squad, and Police Chief.

The "April in Paris" pot luck was a great success with forty-three attendees and we look forward to the July 3rd event hosted by Ric and Sharon Bauer with games and Carl and Mary Johnson serving their fabulous barbequed main course.

Our Water/System is in really good condition, as reported by John Koontz, with the main points being that the DEQ Groundwater Withdrawal Permit process is still in process and has been known to take quite a long time; fourteen single family home owners responded to the special rate pump out program; and consideration is being given to skip the rehab well project for this year as the current rates of water production is quite good. This consideration is under analysis at this time.

Scott Campbell is continuing to provide excellent monitoring of the buildings and grounds and reported that the clubhouse carpet has been steam cleaned, the pool will open by Memorial Day, and he is continue to work with GLF on removing and grinding the dead trees. (Entrance lights to be discussed later in the "Bits".)

There has been no activity for the Architectural Control Committee as no new buildings have been proposed. But, The Dams and Ponds Committee have been quite busy. GLF will be cutting the dams several times a year, stumps on the dams are being monitored closely with vegetation killer being applied as needed, study and recommendations on seeding and fertilizing the dams are continuing, a large algae bloom is being monitored---that time of the year. In concert with the effort to divert as much water as possible to the ponds, VDOT has cleaned culverts and will revisit the spillways to Turtle Pond and at the end of Wilton Coves

Drive while looking at cleaning drainage ditches with proper notification to home owners. Also on the VDOT list, unrelated to P and D is the work to reduce the drop-off from the road in several areas.

Under Old Business, the Board approved the establishment of the Landscaping Ad Hoc Committee with Mary Galloway as chair; thanked John Koontz for his timely and cost-saving construction of the two bridges from the Villas to the tennis courts; and decided to table the project to update the equipment in the exercise room until information regarding the insurance coverage in this area could be obtained.

Under New Business, the Board approved the printing and distribution of the approved, revised and restated documents with a budget of \$650.

Topics brought to the attention of the Board during the two open forums were: exercise room equipment (pro/con), closer attention to implementing the Association rules, speeding, removing vegetation along roadsides to improve vision, debris left from tree removal, tennis courts-maintain or take out, which assets are insured, website corrections.

Really good news!! The new entrance lights are up and "glowing"!! Thanks to all who worked on this effort. The Landscape Ad Hoc Committee is at work to design a plan for updating the entrance, entrance road median and possibly more!! Thank you to Mary Galloway for chairing this project! The pool will open on time for Memorial Day this year, thanks to Scott and the pool company. "Our water system had an event Friday the 13th. Good news is, we didn't suffer a boil water notice or more significant loss of precious water resources because the OmniSite Alert system notified me as I was getting off a plane in Atlanta. I called Ric Bauer who was at MP and Mike Stephens who was home as well. Mike found the leak and Ric was able to assess the appropriate steps to recoup storage water. In summary we didn't lose the whole storage tank and then begin looking for a leak. Instead we found the leak before storage supplies were gone and pressure tank was compromised. Further, we were able to recover relatively quickly because of the new wells and the recently rehabbed wells."—John Koontz. That was great news and apparently the recent improvements really paid off. Thank you to all W/S Committee members!

Other Bits:

Remember to check the website calendar for upcoming meetings and events.

The next social is July 3rd – "A Sunday Barbeque". Carl and Mary Johnson will be at the grill creating their famous barbeque main course while Ric and Sharon Bauer will provide games and entertainment!!!!

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