

HIDDEN VALLEY ANNUAL HOMEOWNER'S MEETING

January 18, 2011

Finances:

Dave Thiede, Treasurer, reviewed finances for the finances. Finances were complete.

Monuments:

A complete review was done of the new monuments including the completion of the structure. Review was done as to what could be done with the removal of the old monument on the north side of 74th Street. Dave Thiede will be investigating removal of the old monument to the north by the Boy Scouts. There is also a possibility that the lower section of the monument could be buried under the berm which will be established in the spring.

In the spring 2011, the Board will complete the Berms to the North and South side of 74th Street as well as the landscaping of the monuments. No homeowners stepped up to participate in that process.

There was a recommendation of adding Karl Forrester Reeds as well as wildflowers to the landscape area of the monuments.

Lawn Care:

There was a significant increase in the cost to lawn care in the year 2010. HVHA signs a contract for one year. For this reason, we are seeking to not only cut our cost to lawn care for 2011, but also increase what may be done in the area of maintenance.

Hollie Hernandez, new to the Board, mentioned that there is no record of the common areas ever having been seeded, aerated, nor dethatched. She also recommended that some of this begin in 2011 and a maintenance schedule start so that common areas start to flourish and "grow green".

Rich Williams and Ventura Hernandez have offered to take over lawn care which would include securing a new contract, negotiations, and general mgmt of the contractor. Should you have any questions on this issues feel free to contact Ventura Hernandez at: hollie@housesebyhollie.com. Rich Williams works as a mgr at Menards and has numerous lawn contracts. Ventura Hernandez works in Gas Construction at Xcel Energy. Should you have a contractor that you desire them to consider please send an email to Ventura Hernandez.

Ann Dwyer, also mentioned that the association could consider having a family/homeowner "own" a common area for the year which could reduce their dues for one year. A sign could also be posted indicating that said homeowner is responsible for the maintenance of this common area.

This will be further discussed during the February Board meeting 2011.

HV Community Ponds:

An update was given by Hollie Hernandez, a Board member. Recent conversations with the City have indicated that they are researching how best to keep the water in the pond to the north at controllable levels. They are checking into running a pipe, to draw water, from the north to the south pond. This will bear with it quite an expense.

There was also conversation to rectifying the current dock and making it more secure for children. It was indicated that this year additional rails would be put into the present dock.

Pond to the South: The City doesn't make ponds, they allow ponds to form. The silt brought into the pond a few years ago was provided by Custom One. At this time, the City is waiting for the pond to begin holding water. Once the pond to the south begins holding water, there is intent to put in an additional family dock as well as walking trails and automobile parking.

Mailbox Improvements:

Concern was brought up as to the need of staining and maintaining all mailboxes. It appears that the surrounds around the mailboxes, which include flower boxes, are decaying and some are falling apart. There has been no maintenance to mailboxes for 2-3 years, depending on the area you live in.

Money will be put into the mailboxes this year; however, most likely all mailboxes will not be maintained or re-done.

Rich Williams and Ventura Hernandez have offered to take on this project, secure bids and determine what the best course of action is on this issue. Once determined, it will be proposed to the Board for consideration.

Board Members:

At time time, we have five current Board members with the need for a total of nine (additional four needed). Dawn Williams, Ann Dwyer, and Hollie Hernandez are new to the Board.

Rick Michalec and Kari Doffing are stepping down as Board members. Thanks to both of them for serving.

Annual Contests:

There was a recommendation, by Ann Dwyer, that we consider cancelling the annual Christmas lighting contest and begin a contest in the summer which would have something to do with gardens, flowers, gardening, and improvement to your lawn/best lawn. This will also be considered by the Board.

There was also conversation as to the continuation of the annual Easter Egg Hunt. There was no Egg Hunt held in 2010. The Board will be meeting and further discussing this issue.