

DUTCH FOREST HOMEOWNERS MEETING MINUTES

Home of Charles & Sammie Herring

September 9, 2008

MEMBERS PRESENT:

25 LOT OWNERS WERE REPRESENTED:

Sammie & Charles Herring, Mike Sameri , Ed DeBee, Barbara & Howard Watts, Gary & Judy Swanson, Adra Cheek, Susan Hashmi, Bob Scott, Gary & Lori Baker , Caroline & Rick Young, Art Sterling, Ken Baker, Brent & Jocelyn Coldiron, Esther Cobb Dockendorf, David & Gil Fraser.

PROXY MEMBERS:

Cathy Bachman, Jack Elliott/Baldy, Shouna Olson, Judy McElwee, Brenda Thompson

CALL TO ORDER

Ed DeBee, President, called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

TREASURERS REPORT:

Caroline Young, treasurer, gave the financial report (see attached) and remarked that a number of homeowners had not paid their dues for 2008.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Sammie Herring, Secretary, distributed the minutes of previous meeting held on April 1, 2008. Minutes reviewed and approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Ed DeBee opened floor for election of officers.

- Motion made and seconded to nominate Sammie Herring for vacated office of President.
- Nomination for Bob Scott was heard for vice president. Motion seconded and carried.
- Motion made and seconded to retain Caroline Young as Treasurer.
- Lori Baker nominated for vacated office of Secretary. Motion seconded and carried.
- Ballot voting took place with unanimous approval of all nominees elected as follows;
 - Sammie Herring, President
 - Robert L. Scott, Vice President
 - Caroline Young, Treasurer
 - Lori Baker, Secretary

ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE

Sammie Herring made a request for documentation from the Architectural Committee that pertained to the approval of a fence under construction on the Baker property. Second request was made at end of meeting. No discussion followed.

Floor was opened for review of Architectural Committee . Ms. Herring commented that the structure of the Architectural Committee should be reviewed. Nominations for new committee members were heard.

Ms. Herring noted that the Architectural Committee needs to comply with the covenant in the decision making process. Ordinarily Committees report their activities to the Board, however, several homeowners have expressed concern that compliance is lacking.

- Gary Swanson was appointed Architectural Committee Chairperson. As chairperson the following duties were assigned; to coordinate meetings including notification of members and to work in conjunction with the President or Vice President to provide oversight of its functions.
- Additional members were appointed as follows. All members added will be voting members and must be notified of any and all actions proposed by a homeowner to meet the covenant guidelines.

Howard Watts
Gary Baker
Art Sterling
Mike Sameri
Susan Hashmi
Charles Herring

****Bob Scott to serve as president elect and will also serve as a committee member as needed if a committee member is absent**

PROPOSAL TO SEAL ROAD

Bids and costs for sealing of the road were reported by Charles Herring and David Frazier. Bids ranged from 18K to 20K with a cost average of 18 to 20 cents per sq. ft. or a projected cost range of \$17K to 20K. Concerns addressed were; Bermuda grass growth at the edges of the road, prolonging life expectancy of pavement, and filling in of cracks.

Caroline Young , treasurer reported a bank balance of \$9,689 and suggested that \$5,000.00 be earmarked toward the sealing expenditure.

Motion was heard to assess \$500.00 per lot owner and earmark for road.

**Motion seconded and passed with special assessment due in 45 days. Homeowners will be billed and notified immediately.

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT GARY BAKER

Members were distributed a letter (see copy attached) from Gary Baker stating his position in seeking a special financial assessment. Ed DeBee, President explained that some confusion existed as to the nature of the assessment in question and further explained that Mr. Baker sought some financial consideration for the fill dirt and sod placed on the city right of way. Ed DeBee asked Mr. Baker to state his position to the meeting members. Following Mr. Bakers presentation the proposal was discussed and rejected by members. Mr. Baker withdrew the proposal. The item will be dropped from future agendas.

MEETING ADJOURNED 9:36 P.M.

Sammie Herring, Secretary

*Action to be taken

**Recommendation to be reported to the Board

This letter is written for the purposes to try correcting a lot of misinformation that seems to have been relayed to various neighborhood residents.

1. We were informed that many of the neighbors were told that we requested that the neighborhood pay for our property landscaping. This was never the intention of what we are asking for the neighborhood to consider. In fact we were trying to get money from the neighborhood we would first start with reimbursement for funds we have spent on our home utility for payment of the lighting at the front entrance on the Bryant entrance to the addition. Also expenses for replacing the bulbs and maintenance when the lights weren't working.
2. You will notice that in the last few days we have been installing a fence on our property. You will now be able to see that the area in question is the easement /city right of way that we would like to finish with some fill dirt and sod. We felt that if we furnished the labor for this project the neighborhood would hopefully help with the purchase of the dirt fill and sod. As you can notice we have already completed a majority of the landscaping on our own. We feel that if the entrance to the addition was well landscaped it would only help the value of all the homes in the addition.
3. We have also asked that the neighborhood pay the \$69.00 bill from TrueGreen for the treatment of bagworms for the four Leyland cypress trees at the entrance of the addition which were installed originally by Nancy Fernandez when the neighborhood was formed. We felt this too was maintenance for the addition and not our personal property landscaping. We have paid this expense for the last several years.
4. We have also taken the financial responsibility of watering the entry and the entire outer area of the addition of 122nd and Bryant. The Aug. water bill was over \$580.00. We are the only property not on water well.
5. During the last six months 32 truckloads of fill dirt have been added to the outside ditch area, 12 pallets of Bermuda sod laid and watered, in addition to all of the labor and hauling cost to bring the outside area up to its existing condition.
6. We have provided all of the cost and manpower to constantly maintain the full length of the entry along Bryant and 122nd.

HUNDREDS OF PASSERBY HAS STOPPED TO COMMENT PERSONALLY AND CONGRATULATE OUR ADDITION ON ITS TOTAL MAKEOVER OF ITS ENTRANCE APPEARANCE.

We look forward to working with the neighborhood association to complete the upgrade of our entry and the value that it contributes to each property owner.

Gary and Lorri Baker