

HIDDENBROOK HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting – June 17, 2014

Meeting called to order at 7:40pm

**Attending: Joan Koss - Chaz Holland - Pam Spencer – Carrie Hester - Lisa Cornaire
Meg Hinders – Doug Ahlert – Chris Shumac – Neal Jarvis – Pete O’Hanlon**

Motion to approve the agenda - Unanimous

Motion to approve the May minutes - unanimous

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ARC:

Trees are still an issue for homeowners and requests for removal will be handled on an individual basis.

The “House Beautiful” contest will be shelved for this year and reconsidered for next year in the spring of 2015.

The ARC email address will be closed due to lack of use.

The Board agreed to hold a special meeting on July 1st to review and vote on the final ARC revised guidelines and it will be published to the community.

Communications:

Articles are due for the July newsletter by June 27th.

Another email will be sent regarding the 4th of July parade.

Pool:

There is a need to increase our guard hours at the pool and Lisa will research the projected cost of those additional hours.

An additional movable guard chair will be added as needed to facilitate improved visibility by the guards when necessary.

The new Fairfax county alert system will be changing in July and cards explaining the new system will be placed at the guard desk for access by members who are interested.

Lost and found items will be removed Saturday evenings and given as donations to local charities.

Tennis:

The tennis ladder for the community will be published in the July Mainstream as well as sent via flash email within the week.

The tennis fencing and gates have been repaired and/or replaced. A couple of members have requested that we provide a dry-roller and push brooms for the courts. A motion was made and the Board approved the purchase.

Several limbs need to be trimmed and Lisa will get an estimate from our landscapers for the cost to do so.

Social/Recreation:

The 4th of July parade is scheduled for 10:00 am and will be cancelled if it rains.

The crab feast is still scheduled for August.

Clubhouse:

A motion was made and approved to purchase a gift card for a volunteer, Mr. Peter Leon, who donated over 8 hours helping us paint the fire lanes at the clubhouse. This gentleman allowed us to use his equipment and also purchased the paint using his contractor's license which saved us over \$140.00 on the paint alone. Three Board members and Mr. Leon saved us approximately \$900.00 by volunteering to take on this important task.

The Board voted to purchase 100 new black stack chairs for the clubhouse with funds slated for this purpose from our reserves.

The fire lane signs will be installed this week and then the Fire Marshal will come to apply the official stickers when they are done. Ticketing will be possible for violators after stickers are applied.

The restroom signs for the pool will be hand painted ASAP.

The standing water from the pool drains occasionally creates a mosquito problem by the sheds. Lisa will get proposals for a solution and present them to the Board.

Neighborhood Watch:

A Neighborhood Watch email account has been set up at: hiddenbrookwatch@gmail.com and also a twitter account at: @hb_watch.

Chris Shumac will also do an article for the July Mainstream regarding safety information.

Chris recently met with Officer Katy DeFoe, our liaison for the Fairfax county police. There are some new information tools available for keeping up with safety issues and reporting crimes or other issues and Chris will include this information in his article. Speeding is still a problem in our community!

August 5th is "National Night Out". Chris will try to organize participation from our neighborhood.

HOMEOWNER OPEN FORUM

No homeowners were present.

OLD BUSINESS

The action item list was reviewed and updated.

The motions to repair the floor in the pump room, replace the hot water heater and install a gate for the swim team made at the May 6th special meeting of the Board were all ratified. The Board noted that these motions and decisions were made in an emergency situation in order to get the pool open and maximize the funds to do so. The Board took into consideration the current state of the funds as the treasurer, Pete O'Hanlon, was not present at the May 6th meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

The volleyball net will be used at the pool this year.

MANAGERS REPORT

There are 16 outstanding club memberships and 7 club owned.
Lisa Cornaire will be out of the office on 7-3 and 7-21st thru the 25th.

TREASURER/BOOKEEPER REPORT

Our electric bills for the months of September 2013 to March 2014 were compared to the same months in the prior year and showed an average monthly decrease of 18%. Some months the savings were higher than others but we believe the new doors at the clubhouse are a direct cause of these cost savings.

Lisa, Meg and Pete will continue working to clean up the format of our budgets.

The Board meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.