

Annual Kensington Trails Meeting
June 5, 2017
6:30pm

1. **Introduction** – DeMitre introduced the board members and welcomed everyone who was in attendance.

DeMitre – President

Lori – Vice President

Cody – Treasurer

2. **Guest Speaker, Kyle Police Department – Chief Jeff Barnett**

- Speeding and Stop Signs – We don't like to use stop signs for speeding because it doesn't stop people from speeding. People tend to run them or just speed to the next one. Fire and EMS trucks can't slow down for humps/bumps when going to an emergency call thus their equipment then falls around in the trucks. No speeding humps or bumps are allowed.
- We have a speed tracking box that is currently being repaired. We can place the box in your neighborhood, which will record the speed people are driving. When the police are out in your neighborhood people see them and slow down. But with this box no one will know it's there and we will get a better picture of the speeding.
- Kyle and Buda have a lot of burglary of vehicles. Please make sure your car doors are locked and no guns are left inside the vehicle. Do not leave keys to the car, another car or your home in your vehicles. Kids drive in from Austin and get dropped off at different neighborhoods then walk around checking to see if any vehicle is unlocked. If found unlocked, they will rummage around in them and take whatever they find.
- July 4th all Kyle Officers will be on duty to give citations to anyone caught shooting off fireworks in the City limits. It was brought to our attention that last year a lot of fireworks were going off so this year we will be giving tickets, NO warnings. Fireworks bother animals and our Vets. We have a huge volume of lost dogs that we pick up the day after, plus some vets with PTSD have a very hard time dealing with the sound of fireworks. So please let's obey the no shooting of fireworks in the city limits. Instead make plans to attend the City's Annual Fireworks Extravaganza at Plum Creek Golf Course and the Hays CISD Performing Arts Center. This is a FREE family event. Begins at dark. Here in Kensington Trails the Social Committee & HOA Board will be hosting a July 4th with food & fun from 12PM-3PM at the Pool area.

- We are seeing more scams by mail, email and phone. Be aware and protect yourself and your information. Be sure the company is on the up before you give out your information or money.
- Jugging is increasing. Is when crooks stake-out outside of banks and watch people who come out with money. They will follow and watch to see if you might leave the money in your car while shopping.
- More internet crimes happening in Kyle than the police can investigate.
- Reminder: Kyle does have a hands free ordinance.
- Don't illegally park in your neighborhood – Make sure your passenger side tires are on the curb, facing the correct way on the street, no more than 18 inches from the curb.
- Don't park in your driveway where you block the sidewalks, this will be fined.
- Kyle PD offers the Leadership Academy and the Citizens Police Academy. If you're interested check the City website for more information.

3. **Financials** – Cody went over the financials and a copy was given to everyone in attendance. Last year we had \$150,000 in the bank. We currently have \$232,481.92

4. **DeMitre discussed:**

- Glass containers – No glass containers are allowed at the pool. The reason for this..... If glass were to break and fall into the pool we would be required to shut the pool down for a few days to a week in order to drain the pool, clean out the glass and refill the pool. It would cost about \$5000.00 to refill the pool. So if you see someone at the pool with a glass container tell the monitor, if the monitor is not there tell the person they cannot have glass containers in the pool area. This is **YOUR** pool and **YOUR** HOA money that would be used to pay the cost of refilling the pool.
- Hair ties for long hair – We/Pool Monitor are asking anyone with long hair to tie it up. The reason is the hair clogs up the filters and gobs of hair has been found floating in the water. It's gross to be swimming and have someone's hair stuck to you. Plus it's not good for our filters. Please tie your hair up.
- Yards and maintenance of homes - Lets all work to keep our yards looking nice and maintained. Mow your grass, weed eat, trim your bushes and cut your trees. Well-kept homes keep buyers interested in buying our homes.
- Yard Sales – We see a lot of yard sale signs that are being left out in the neighborhood. If you put up a sign please take it down the day it's over. All

the left out signs make our neighborhood look unkept. We have two community garage sales a year. The next one is in October.

5. The land across from the pool - The developer has finally given us the land across from the pool. The board will be discussing the best options for the land. Several ideas have been thrown around, like, Community center, park with new playground equipment, another pool, splash pad.....etc. We the board will be discussing and deciding on what options best suit our community. We will keep you informed.
6. Determine if a quorum is present - We had 40 homes represented so no election was held. The current board members will stay as is.
7. Door prize winners - The board gave out 5 gift cards. The winners were.....
Jaclyn, Maria, Mary, Andrew & Tony – Congrats!!
8. Closing – DeMitre thanked everyone for taking the time to come out and for showing an interest in our community.

Questions:

1. Pool slide and water fall not on? The timers went out. The board try's to remember to go up there and turn them on but we forget sometimes. New timers have been ordered and should be installed in two weeks or so.
2. What fence stain does the community use and where do you buy it?
Sable Brown wood defender – Stain color
By Standard Paints

Can buy it at Decorative Concrete Supply, Inc.
536 Commercial Drive
Buda, TX 78610
877-295-8881

OR AJ will stain it for you, Contact him for a price.

3. Replacing a fence I share with my neighbor? Ask your neighbor if they will half the cost to replace the fence you share. If your neighbor doesn't want to go in half and you replace the whole fence yourself, you can choose the side of the

fence that faces inside your yard. You don't have to get permission from your neighbor since you paid all the cost.

4. Can we get a sign to display our community events? The board has been wanting to get one it's just finding one that will meet our needs. We are still working on this one.
5. If a state law passes that says communities can have chickens it **DOES NOT** pertain to HOA communities. HOA communities are exempt from the law. So no chickens or rabbits are allowed in our neighbor and anyone found with them will receive a notice.
6. What if I need a pool card? You can go on our official website Kensingtontrailshoa.com. The instructions on how to get a pool card, forms to complete and pool rules are all listed on there.
7. How does a pool card get deactivated? If you have not paid your HOA dues or you owe any fees your card is deactivated until your account is in good standing. Also, if you break any of the pool rules you run the risk of having your card deactivated for a period of time. So it's important to read and follow the pool rules.