

Hickory Ridge Owners Association Annual Meeting

Minutes for February 08, 2023

Present: G. Scharer (Chair), G. Doyle, C. Garcia, J. Skinner, 2875 Big Woods Trail (by proxy to G. Scharer), 2928 Sassafras Lane (by proxy to G. Scharer), 2726 Oak Trace Court (by proxy to E. Papp), 3039 Kant Place (by proxy to E. Papp), 2941 Sassafras Lane (by proxy to L. Southerland), 2674 Oak Trace Court, 3005 Kant Place, 2798 Big Woods Trail, 2949 Sassafras Lane, 2941 Sassafras Lane, 2704 Laurelwood Court, 2929 Sassafras Lane, 2822 Big Woods Trail, 2825 Big Woods Trail, 2817 Big Woods Trail, 2706 Oak Trace Court, 2940 Kant Place, 2675 Oak Trace Court, 2938 Sassafras Lane, 2782 Big Woods Trail, 2806 Big Woods Trail

Absent: all other property owners or their proxies

Trustee Board Member Reports

1. Treasurer G. Doyle went over the proposed financials for the upcoming 2023 year. During his report several questions were asked.

Q1: What is the amount that should be in reserves?

Response: We're about \$8,000 short, but we don't want to raise the dues too much. The biggest future expense should happen around 2035, in which the culverts and playground is expected to be in need of repairs and/or replacements. It is estimated to be around \$100,000. This is based on a reserve study, about 65 pages long. We will share with anyone interested in reading it.

Q2: Will the playground be re-mulched and will the playground handles be replaced?

Response: The playground will be re-mulched but the handles will not be replaced

Q3: Can the playground be made bigger?

Response: Probably not, plenty of level ground is needed and it is not in the budget

Q4: Can we get the exact expenses for 2022?

Response: Yes, request via email and we'll send it out

2. President G. Scharer gave an overview on some of the things that were done in the neighborhood this past year.

- Reserve study, cost \$1000

- New website was created where the info, covenants, etc. can be found, hryhoa.com

- The fences were washed (should happen every 10 years or so)

- Repaired round about. Insurance covered the cost of repair

- Sitting area was modified, the roses died and were removed and a new weed barrier was added

3. Treasurer G. Doyle talked a little about dues and stated that there were about 30 delinquent dues. He expected that a few of those were due to people moving in and out. Over the past year about 10 houses were sold. Three new homeowners were in attendance today.

Election for Varying Terms of Office

1. President G. Scharer gave an overview on serving on the HOA board. The board meets quarterly and the time spent serving is minimal. He stated that there are 3 seats open.
2. S. Garcia nominated J. Wilson as a trustee and S. Wagenman volunteered to run for the second position and G. Doyle said that he would serve again. After voting, all 3 were unanimously voted in by those present (homeowners and proxies). Preliminary roles are as follows: G. Doyle will remain as Treasure, S. Wagenman will be the member at large, and J. Wilson will act as vice and J. Skinner will move into the president role and C. Garcia will remain as secretary.

Open Forum

1. Q1: Will culverts be replaced/repared in phases?

Response: Most likely at once. According the reserve study, due to the settling and water sitting the cement is pushed down and it cannot be raised.

Q2: Is it possible to do fundraisers?

Response: It is possible

Q3: How much was the reserve study?

Response: \$1000, 2 payouts of \$500

Q4: Is it possible to paint or mark the roundabouts to make more visible?

Response: The city owns them but the neighborhood has to do the repairs. Contractors have to be approved by the city and all work is to be inspected by the city. The board will check with the city to see if it is possible.

Q5: What about speedbumps?

Response: If the neighborhood adds them, the city will take away the snowplow service. The city and police seem unresponsive about speeders throughout the neighborhood. NOTE: others mentioned that the neighborhood across the street have speedbumps and have snowplow service.

- A homeowner mentioned that during halloween that his candy and candybowl were stolen. He stated that it wasn't a big deal but wanted the neighborhood to be aware of things that could happen

Q6: G. Scharer asked if anyone was interested in the Easter egg hunt this year?

Response: Several homeowners were interested and the board said they will try to get it organized

Q7: Was the stolen bench recovered?

Response: No, the board is not aware if the bench was ever recovered

Next Meeting: Early 2024

meeting start: 6:09 p.m. - meeting end: 6:44 p.m.