

Longs Pond Quarterly HOA Meeting Minutes December 1st 2009

Board members present: Connie Parson, Debbie Kessel, Randal Mungo, Laura Murray, Jason Hentz

Meeting called to order at 1925 with 19 HOA members in attendance.

September Quarterly meeting minutes reviewed by Connie Parson, motion to accept minutes was made by Betty Fortin and seconded by Mr. Robertson and approved by all.

Randall Mungo reviewed the 2010 budget. No increase in HOA dues is expected in 2010. However, there was a discussion in the possibility of an increase in HOA dues as rates for services increase and with the state of the current economy. There was also a discussion about delinquent HOA dues, four liens were placed on properties and two other households are currently on a payment plan.

Debbie covered the HOA committee reports, specifically adding new resident information, baby deliveries, business cards etc. to the newsletter. The Christmas Yard of the Month will be selected by the Yard of the Month Committee. Jeanette Munnett has asked that children and teens to write articles for the newsletter. Any classified ads homeowners would like to add to the newsletter have a due date of January 15, 2010.

Connie Parson reported on the upcoming installation of the traffic circle. This project will widen the entrance to the neighborhood, reducing backups, accidents, etc. DOT made an offer to purchase the land from the HOA which was counter offered and later accepted at the price of 4500.00. This money will be used to purchase a new sign to the entrance of the neighborhood. A committee has been formed to explore options for a new entrance sign. Betty Fortin, 1520 Knotts Haven Trail, asked how the installation of the traffic circle will affect the retention pond. Randall Mungo assured that this project will have no effect on the function of the pond. Jim Poindexter, 420 Knotts Court, has requested more updated on the traffic circle as the project moves forward. Connie Parsons will provide homeowners with updates on the project progress via the Longs Pond website. Allen Baierl, 189 Knotts Road, asked how much the land for the traffic circle was purchased for. Connie Parsons replied 4500.00, which will be used to purchase a new entrance sign. The DOT will be responsible for replacing the irrigation system at their cost.

Connie Parson reported on the progress of the William Douglass Company. Over all the board feels they are doing a good job, they are open and willing to offer suggestions to current issues that involve our neighborhood. They continue to maintain open lines of communication with board members, with John Outlaw being the point of contact. He is quick to follow up on questions or concerns regarding neighborhood issues.

Matt Bullard reported on the Crime Watch with emphasis being placed on more residence involvement in this project. CPL Nick Parker and SGT Dianne Pavell, with Lexington County Sherriff's Department, provided information on the Crime Watch program and current crime trends in the Red bank Community. CPL Parker, our resident deputy, related that the current crime trend in the Red bank

Community is vandalism, car break in, speeding and shop lifting. SGT Pavell, related more participation from homeowners needed, meeting schedule of four times a year, placement of 15 block captains due to the size of our neighborhood, with 10 houses to each captain, a buddy system for neighbors to look out for each other, followed by reporting and prosecution of crime in an effort to start a paper trail. She also recommended increasing the use of services offered by the LCSD, as property checks when out of town and the police shadow/ride along program. She also discussed Lexington County Department of Public Safety programs, My 911 and Vial of Life, The Citizens Academy, which includes tours of the jail, Crime Scene Investigation, Communication, Fire Service, Lexington County EMS and the Reserve Deputy Program. Jim Poindexter, 420 Knotts Court, wanted to make the homeowners aware of a scam where persons are impersonating SCANA or SCE&G employees to gain access to your property or seeking money for outstanding bills or increased rates.

Betty Fortin, 1520 Knotts Haven Trail, asked if we could post a sign that the Bradford Pear Trees are not for climbing.

Patrick Hedgpath, 1436 Knotts Haven Loop, asked can we send a bill to the resident responsible for damage to the trees and the no parking signs.

Connie Parsons stated at this time we could not send any bills for this, signs have been placed back in the ground and a letter will be sent to the residents to not allow the children to climb the trees or pull the signs out of the ground. This will also be posted on the web site.

Patrick also asked about the maintenance of the vacant lot and that the board look at the option of installing a well and irrigation system in the lot. This will be reviewed at the January Board meeting.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Betty Fortin second by Sheryl Woods approved by all.

Meeting adjourned at 20:50