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August Meeting Minutes

Al Kent, President called the August 10, 2010 meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and announced the presence of a quorum. Other Directors present were: Cheryl Bolland, Kappie Swanson, Gary Bannister, Cyndi Miller, Marge Roe, Marlene Deck and Tom Stefancic. Jennifer Weaver was not present. Manager Michelle Courtney, and 4 homeowners were present. A motion was made, seconded and carried approving the minutes as published from the July meeting. A motion to accept the agenda was made and approved.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS

Nancy Benson, 5 Winthrop New had questions regarding signage belonging to contractors. Is there a time limit on how long they can be displayed where the work is being done? The rules state that signs can be displayed while work is being performed and removed 3 days after work is complete. She also asked about mosquito spraying. Marge related that spraying is done on Friday nights between Midnight and 1 a.m. They will be spraying tonight (Tuesday) again. The vendor has a GPS that shows all pertinent information, i.e., time, streets sprayed and speed of vehicle.

Bob Pritchard, 3 Green Hills Court also had questions on the mosquito spraying. He asked if they do the "dogbones" or just the streets and do they go behind the homes. Tom explained that they do the streets only and do not go behind the homes, etc.

Kay Dressler, 3 Green Hills Court asked about the spray on the truck. She also requested that perhaps more funding should be considered for spraying and maybe walking behind the homes on the courts in 2011 with the budget currently being prepared. With the laws having been changed, we cannot go beyond the common property lines. She asked what can be done behind their house regarding the weeds, scrub trees, etc. Al said they will spray for the thistles. He would like to see something done with the area (about 6 to 8 acres) however, due to budgetary constraints it is not a priority. Tom appreciated her input to the budget.

Cliff Sisko, 9 Green Hills Court asked about the cable in the court in the cul-du-sac at Green Hills Court. There is a bunch of junk there. Tom will have it removed. He also mentioned that he has a tuber that has invaded his lawn and according to the Illinois Extension University it is very difficult to control. He also asked when the copper tops were going to be installed. Marge said they are on backorder and as soon as they are received they will be installed.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS No report

TREASURERS REPORT

No report. Budget planning is underway for 2011. Everything should be in place by the September meeting. Waiting for the Waste Management contract.

SECRETARY'S REPORT No report

MANAGEMENT REPORT

July financials have been completed and sent to Gary for review. A copy of the complete noted delinquency report along with any other correspondence from KSN regarding delinquent accounts is included in the delinquency report pdf. A copy of the KSN portal is attached for board review. A copy of the balance, profit and loss statements are also attached for review.

An updated copy of the running action to do list is attached for the Board.

All shed documentation has been received and sent to KSN for proper recording. Once recorded the County Recorders office will send a copy of each document to be put in the corresponding owners file. All waterfront owners on Buckingham have received their letter of exception for the boat storage rule on property.

Report from On-site Liaison, Nicki:

Once again I have talked with George at Clark Mosquito Spraying because of the numerous calls regarding residents getting eaten alive.. George guarantees that they do spray every Friday after midnight with an electric truck, the truck does not

have the usual sound of the whistle. I have asked for a GPS print out of Prestbury showing when the streets have been sprayed. (yes, all of Prestbury is sprayed every week) Marge Roe has set up one extra day of spraying, which was set up for Monday or Tuesday August 9 or 10.

Please remember that Prestbury is surrounded by trees and water, along with the major rain this summer there are more mosquitoes that ever.

Residents with boats, please always turn your boats over when storing on the boat pads, this will also help with the mosquitoes.

The poison ivy along Blackberry lake shore has been sprayed.

Numerous calls requiring the sump pump hose draining on the Briargate sidewalk are still coming in daily. The homeowner has been contacted to re-direct the hose. PCA has also had the sidewalk scrubbed and cleaned.

Ad information for the newsletter and the upcoming directory are still coming in, please contact the PCA office if you would like to place an Ad.

Thank you to everyone for using the bike rack at the pool.

Please respect the No Parking signs located at the dumpster bin in the PCA parking lot. Please use the parking lot across the street if needed.

Reminder: Waste Management asks that brush and tree trimmings must be bundled and securely tied with twine or string not to exceed 4 feet in length, 2 feet in diameter and 50 pounds in weight. Individual branches contained in a bundle shall not exceed 4 inches in diameter. **Rules: #6: "Neither garbage nor yard waste may be placed on the curbs prior to 5:00 pm on the evening preceding the day of garbage pick up".**

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Architectural Standards

Cyndi reported the following applications have been submitted and approved in July 2010:

1. Unger Residence 404 Hanks Road
Replacement of Fence
2. Behm Residence 4 Blackberry Court
Pocket window replacement
3. Painter Residence 5 Heaton Ct.
Replacement of Driveway, Cutting the curb

Clubhouse & Office Building No report

Long Range Planning No report

Tennis/Streets/Street Lights

Tennis: No report.

Streets: The contractors have completed this years improvements. I am working with our engineers to establish next years road repairs.

Sugar Grove Township repaired many of our storm sewers on Winthrop New and Hanks and Briargate. This summer they plan to resurface Hanks Rd. Currently their road improvements are on hold due to the Union strike.

Street lights: Please be aware if a light is out call the office and report the location to Nicki at 630-466-1576.

We have begun replacement this summer at the following areas: Winwood Court and Drive, Heaton Court, Buckingham Drive, and the knock down at North Buckingham. Unfortunately due to budget restraints Hanks Rd. will not be done this year. Your patience is appreciated while the contractors install new underground wiring.

There was a sewer cave in on Ashwood ct. Our street contractors are waiting for the union strike to end so they can complete the repair.

Maintenance

FENCING: The fence and monument project for 2010 is complete, except for some copper tops for the monuments. These are on back order and should be in within the next two weeks. As soon as the materials are received, they will be installed. In late fall, the area between Manor Hill and Green Trails Court will have monuments placed across the back of the common area. These will be taller than the rest so they will be visible during the summer months.

LAKES: The trapper has caught 11 muskrats so far. To date only 1/3 of Lake Blackberry and Lake Prestbury has been trapped due to the amount of rain and the level of the water in the lakes. Lake Blackberry had the largest muskrats and a total of eight have been caught at that location. According to the trapper the turtles of Prestbury have been having substantial meals of muskrats.

TREES: So far forty Maples trees have been treated throughout Prestbury for "cottony maple scale" by American Tree and Turf, Inc. 630-466-9003, Roger Storck.

The dead trees, broken limbs and other storm damaged trees throughout Prestbury have been trimmed or removed as needed. If you know of any others, in the common areas that need attention, please notify our on-site manager.

MOSQUITOS: This year the mosquitoes have been outstanding. I don't know of anyone who can walk out their front or back door and enjoy the weather without being eaten alive by the little bugs. We spray every Friday evening around midnight or thereafter. I have requested an additional spray for August 9th or 10th. In talking with the sprayer company, I was told this should really help us cut down the number of mosquitoes. We will be sprayed again on Friday, August 13th. I am hoping for happy results. Kudos to Nicki for helping residents that have been calling regarding this situation.

Landscaping

Walked and drove around several areas with our representative from our landscape company and reviewed the areas. This is a very unusual year for mowing, weed pulling, spraying, etc. Usually they have a week or two that they do not have to mow, so they can get caught up with the weeds, trimming and other necessary chores. They have not had that this summer and the weeds just keep coming and coming. If there are any common areas not being weeded, please contact our on-site manager so she can report to the landscape company.

We have been notified that grubs have been sighted near Lake Prestbury. When the area was investigated, sod web worms were actually found. I am in the process of receiving a proposal to have the area treated.

Pool

Pool hours will remain the same through August 22nd. After that, pool hours will be 4:00 P.M until 8:00 P.M. weekdays and regular hours on weekends through Labor Day.

Please remember that if your household is delinquent on your association dues, this will be noted through the pool computer and access to the pool will be denied until the dues are brought up to date.

We will be requesting bids for the repainting of our pools to see if it is feasible to include in next year's budget.

Security No Report

Do not hesitate to call the Kane County Sheriff's office or 911 if you notice anything suspicious anywhere in our community.

Youth

No report

Web/Secretary Progress is being made on the new Directory. The revised Rules and Regulations are complete and will be available on the web and in print soon.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Sheds – See Management report.

Boats on Buckingham –See Management Report.

Prestbury Entrance at Bliss and Hankes Roads - Tom thanked Cliff Sisko for his assistance on this project. The monuments are located in the Rights of Way of Kane County. There are 2 options: private property of the church or Heather Ridge. Tom will have a presentation at our next meeting for options for placement of monuments.

NEW BUSINESS

The Swanbrooke Easement Agreement – this is similar to the agreement with Blackberie for use of the common area. The agreement has been sent out but as of this meeting no response.

Jennifer Weaver, Youth Committee Chairman notified the Board that she would have to step down off the board. Tom made a motion to nominate Megan Plain as her replacement. Motion was seconded by Gary and passed. Congratulations and welcome to Megan. Megan will meet with Jennifer to discuss the upcoming events.

No further regular business to conduct, meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m. to Executive Session. Executive Session adjourned at 7:57 p.m. and a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 p.m.

The next open meeting of the Prestbury Citizens Association will be Tuesday, September 14, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. in the Office Building.

Respectfully submitted,
Cheryl Bolland, Secretary

PCA Office Hours
M, TU, W, TH, FRI – 8:30AM – 1:30PM
Office contact: Nicki Leroy at 466-1576
Or Liaison@prestbury.org

**PRESTBURY HELPING HANDS (PHH)
IS READY TO HELP YOU!!**

Need information, transportation,
errands run, a wellness check?
Call PHH coordinator Nancy Benson
at 630-466-1494.

Alternate coordinators:
Bob Forbes at 630-466-8031 or
Marsha Marza at 630-466-3726
We can Help!!
Neighbor Helping Neighbor!!

*Helping Hands is an independent group of
Prestbury volunteers but not sponsored by PCA*

ATTENTION BOAT OWNERS: It is YOUR
responsibility to see that your boat is properly cared
for when not in use.....this means PLEASE DO
LEAVE YOUR BOATS IN SUCH A POSITION
THAT RAIN WATER WILL COLLECT AND
SIT...THIS IS A BREEDING GROUND FOR
THOSE NASTY MOSQUITOES!!!! Thank you.

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ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE AUGUST 2010 PRESTBURY NEWSLETTER

ADULT ACTIVITIES: Prestbury's inductive Bible studies will begin their fall season in September. Utilizing study guides, the inter-faith groups will study "Ephesians: Building a Community in Christ" (2nd and 4th Thursday evenings) and "Letting God Change You from the Inside Out" (1st and 3rd Wednesday evenings). The weekly Wednesday morning women's group will study "Knowing God Through the Psalms" and the monthly women's group will meet for study and fellowship. Please contact Carolyn Sackett (466-3719) for further details and contact information.

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