

OAKWOODS HOA BOARD MEETING

June 1, 2023

Oakwoods Park Shelter

Board Members in Attendance: Erika Osback, Mary Cotton, Karen Pitts, Terry Jackson, and Tina Eades

Residents in Attendance: Brad Cotton, Lori & Dan Romero, Kevin Holmes, Seth & Cecilia Deibert, Jenicia Cox, Paul Baker, Jane and Moose Swaney, and Lydia Sheehan.

Meeting was called to order at 6:35.

Words of thanks from Erika:

- Thanks everybody here for doing something for our subdivision. 😊

Approve Secretary's Minutes:

- Mary motion to approve the minutes from the May board meeting. Terry seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report:

- This is Mary's first meeting being Treasurer! Checks were written for mowing.
- Mary explained how the Financial Assistant position was filled. Lydia was already doing all the responsibilities of the role so she was very familiar with the duties and requirements. We needed someone we can trust so it worked out perfect.
- Lydia indicated if you signed up for electronic association dues – those went out today (6/1).

Other Topics:

- The Board is looking into trail cameras. These will be focused only on the playground. We won't be facing them in anyone's yard or home.
- We'd also like to install one in the Storage Lot. With trash and construction supplies dumped there in the past, we're hoping to alleviate that from happening again. It would also help with the safety of vehicles down there. The type of camera is still under review.

Committee Updates:

- Street Improvement Committee – Brad reported on a major project on Autumn Ct. The 283 ft center will be replaced with new asphalt on each side to help with drainage. JG Stewart and McLean County Asphalt will be doing the work for a cost of \$46,695. This has already been Board approved. The work will take a few weeks.
- Hot asphalt patch locations – most have been taken care of. Eight locations have been identified this year. McLean County Asphalt started the next day after they were given the OK. Five of the eight have been done – the rest need some landscaping work done. Clearbrook, Autumn and Edgewood are left to be done. The cost for this is \$18,009.
- Still to come this summer – crack filling needs to be identified. The Committee will get with McLean County Asphalt for a bid for this work and then come to the Board for approval. There are quite a few streets.

Storage lot, Safety and Playground (Erika in the absence of Jeff):

- Storage Lot – nothing new other than the solar powered camera discussion.
- Safety – discussion continues about speeders and what we can do. Installing another stop sign, speed humps? Until we have the radar up – Jeff & Andrew are working with BPD trying to figure out how to obtain the data. Without it we cannot justify next steps.
- Playground – mulch coming in and paint touch up will begin soon.

- Pavilion rental. We'd like to be able to have people sign up online. A deposit will be required. If the pavilion and park area are cleaned up, we'll return the deposit. Since there are no garbage cans, the people renting will need to take the garage home with them.
- Discussion continues on the pros and cons of adding electricity to the pavilion.

Events Committee (Tina in the absence of Steve):

- July 20 – LaPatrona from 4:30 to 7:00, along with free ice cream in the park!
- August 10 – potluck – asking that each home donate a school supply to be given to a school yet to be determined.
- August 17 – Dessert truck and Trivia night
- September - TBD
- October 29 – Halloween parade from 2-4. The plan is to make 100 bags to give out as well as other activities yet to be determined.
- Food Truck menus – Lori asked if it's possible to post the menus ahead of time? There are similar names of food trucks and restaurants that aren't affiliated, so it's not easy to determine the food choices that will be offered.

Commons area Committee (Kevin)

- It has been a good year – two clean up days – November and April. The November cleanup was spent collecting a lot of trash and refurbishing the existing trail. Thanks to Dan and Lori Romero for the use of their truck and trailer and all the volunteers. In April, a new trail was created off Timberview – behind Jacksons. Kevin would like to expand that. Recently Seth Deibert was able to spray, follow up spray and use the weed eater on this trail.
- The first Saturday in November is the standing date for the Fall cleanup day. Then again in late March/early April.
- When the creek bed is cleaned out – we talked about getting back together in the summer and dig some of the dams. Behind Jacksons there is still some areas to clean up. When the creek has been dredged out, we'll have a workday to clean it out. There may be some more focused workdays to tackle smaller projects. Erika mentioned the amount of people are growing. New volunteers are great and past/present are great too!
- Oakwoods signs – Karen asked for an update. Mary is waiting for bids. One may illuminate so no solar lights needed. We're trying for maintenance free.

Staying active on Facebook/email activity (Erika):

- We're trying to let people know what's going on – trying to have those activities, outings, to get people excited to get participate as well as keep people informed.
- We're always open for suggestions to do things better or differently.

Open forum:

- Lydia – the company that does QuickBooks is also associated with MailChimp. She will investigate to see if we can have them pull the monthly fee for MailChimp at the same time as the QuickBooks fee.
- Dan asked a question regarding upkeep of neighbor's lawns. Erika indicated he'll get better and quicker results if you call the city. Mary added if you call the city they will put in a complaint and have an inspector come out.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30