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JULY 2012

Message from the New President of the Rivendell Board

By Curt Kennedy

Where to begin? Let me deal with the reality of where we find ourselves now.

No matter what goals we set for the future, we have to deal with problems today. We find ourselves playing "catch-up." A number of items have been maintained at a minimal level.

Jim Stepien and the new Maintenance Committee seem to face an endless list of things that need attention. Jim and his committee have rolled up their sleeves and are attacking a multitude of issues. It's great that they can multi-task! The Board as a whole has quite a job to do in just setting priorities.

I do not see myself as a "crisis manager." A small red car with a siren and flashing lights is something I do not own and I guarantee you, I will not be asking for such a vehicle. We have a sheriff and we have Lighthouse Management Company. They should be your first consideration when you encounter an issue. The type of issue and its seriousness will tell you which of the two to call.

By myself I can do nothing! We have a Board loaded with talented and publically minded individuals. When any three of us vote to do something, it will get done, but unfortunately never fast enough to please many residents. Good grief, we can't get things done fast enough to please ourselves.

So there you have it, a few words from the President of the "Catch-up Board". All is well and getting better day-by-day.

Highlights of June 4 Board Meeting By Carol Heckert and reviewed by Bobby Merrill

Editors' Note: The "Highlights" are not the final approved minutes. The Board of Directors will vote the Minutes of the June 4th Board Meeting at its next scheduled meeting. The Approved Board Minutes of April 9th are located at the back of this issue.

Landscape beautification and maintenance totaling around \$34,500 were approved at the June 4 meeting, along with one pool improvement item.

Board Members in attendance included Curt Kennedy, Nancy Schubert, Bobby Merrill, and Walter Perkowski.

Approved:

1. Two additional groupings of sable palms in front of Golden Pond and two groupings in front of Eagle Lake - \$6,000.
2. Mulch for common area beds throughout the community, for an amount not to exceed \$14,445. Two additional bids to be obtained.
3. Sod replacement throughout the community where needed, for an amount not to exceed \$12,500. St. Augustine grass for irrigated areas; Bahia grass for non-irrigated areas. Two additional bids to be obtained.
4. Clean up of shrubbery and debris at front lakes on the north side of Rivendell Blvd., for an amount not to exceed \$1,700.
5. A stainless steel stall for each of the restrooms at the pool, for an amount not to exceed \$5,640.

Manager's Report: Lighthouse requested bids to get entry signs and street lights cleaned, new restroom signs and locks for storage and pump rooms at pool, fencing at pool repaired and cleaned, sign at Cottages cleaned.

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Treasurer's Report: \$30,000 in overdue homeowner fees owed to Rivendell Community Association.

Bobby Merrill, treasurer, reported earlier this spring that a considerable surplus was rolled over from 2011 that will more than cover operating expenses [such as the maintenance costs listed above], and that \$24,000 has also been budgeted to cover uncollectible receivables.

ARC Report: There were 7 applications, all of which were approved.

Maintenance Committee Report:

1. Sun State inspected irrigation, cleaned up debris near pool entry, began trimming shrubbery in butterfly gardens.
2. All of the approved items (above) were requested.
3. Other issues the committee will address are replacing pump shed, deciding what to do with old pump, improving landscaping and irrigation at Park Trace entrance, determining action for unkempt corner lots.

Communications Committee Report: Our publisher, OnTrac, requested that the service providers' section of the Woodlands Word be eliminated, as it is free advertising that competes with their paid advertising. Homeowners are requested to ask their favorite service providers to buy advertising in the Woodlands Word.

Homeowner Comments:

Paul Sarno – Sensor lights at pool should be turned off and broken light repaired.

Frank Freestone – Service provider recommendations can be placed on the website.

Richard Vogt – Wants driveways behind Villas' houses repaired.

Lori Turner – Villas' Board responsible for landscaping only.

Dave Gill – Driveways are private property.

Next Board of Directors Meeting – August 20

Rivendell Board Meeting

NEXT BOARD MEETING

WILL BE

Monday, August 20, 2012

at 6:00 pm

Historic Spanish Point

337 N. Tamiami Trail, Osprey, Florida

*Dates, times, and locations of
Board and Committee meetings
are based on the available information
at the time of publication.*

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DID YOU KNOW?

Atlantic Hurricane Names for 2012

There is a pre-approved list of names for Atlantic tropical storms and hurricanes. These lists have been generated by the National Hurricane Center and the names on each list alternate between male and female. There are six lists that continue to rotate. The lists only change when there is a hurricane that is so devastating, the name is retired and another name replaces it.

Hurricanes are named alphabetically from the list in order. The first tropical storm or hurricane of the year has a name that begins with "A" and the second has the name that begins with "B." The lists contain names that begin from A to W, but exclude names that begin with a "Q" or "U."

As there were no significant hurricanes in 2006, the 2012 hurricane name list remains the same:

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|----------------------|-----------|-----------|
| • Alberto (May 2012) | • Helene | • Oscar |
| • Beryl (May 2012) | • Isaac | • Patty |
| • Chris | • Joyce | • Rafael |
| • Debby | • Kirk | • Sandy |
| • Ernesto | • Leslie | • Tony |
| • Florence | • Michael | • Valerie |
| • Gordon | • Nadine | • William |

Hurricane Shutter Regulations Summarized

Clear (Lexan) hurricane shutters may remain up on the front of a house or street side of a corner house throughout the hurricane season, which lasts from June 1 to November 30.

Clear shutters or those painted to match the house or trim may remain up on other parts of the house that are visible from a street, alley or other home.

Any other shutters that are visible from a street, alley or other home may go up within 10 days of the expected arrival of a hurricane, and must come down within 2 weeks following a hurricane.

Because the amended hurricane shutter restriction gives every homeowner the ability to protect his or her house whether here or away, the new deed restriction will be strictly enforced.

(For exact wording consult **Rivendell Community Directory 2012**, p.9, 4.09 Hurricane Shutters)

Do Not Feed the Wildlife - especially alligators!

Jim Stepien, Chair of our new Maintenance Committee

By Mike Bergman

Since moving to Rivendell in November 2003, Jim and his wife Gwen have taken an active interest in keeping our community looking good, to make it a pleasant place to live, and to uphold our property values. He feels that we should try to foresee whatever maintenance work is going to be needed, and put it all under contract. This would make budgeting easier, and hold our vendors responsible for keeping our community running well. It should help to keep our costs consistent going forward, while preventing unforeseen expensive add-ons. Jim hopes that this will keep our yearly assessments at the currently low level.



Jim and other volunteers have walked the property with the vendors to get a real boots-on-the-ground view of what work needs to be done. The hope is to incorporate everything into the vendor contracts, and then hold them responsible for following them. Sun State will now be in charge of maintaining some of the shrubbery and butterfly gardens. Even Florida native and

friendly plants need to be trimmed, mulched, and cleaned up. On workdays not devoted to mowing, the crews will be responsible for this other maintenance. Irrigation is now being accomplished using a new submersible pump. It is possible that the old pump may get some use to pick up any slack needed during very dry weather.

Recently the Board decided to put the Landscape, Environmental, and Pool committees under one umbrella, and make it responsible for overseeing all the maintenance in our community. Jim Stepien had been in charge of Landscape/Environmental, and is now embracing all three groups. With about ten members, and liaison Walter Perkowski, they keep tabs on five vendors, making sure they fulfill their contracts with Rivendell.

The five vendors are:

1. **Sun State Landscape Management** is in charge of maintaining our common areas including mowing, fertilizing, pest control, and irrigation of lawns, parks, and shorelines. Shrubby maintenance has recently been added.
2. **Aquatic Systems** is in charge of our retention ponds.
3. **Aquagenix** takes charge of our preserve areas, and wetlands.
4. **Southwest Pool** is responsible for testing and adding chemicals to keep the water safe to swim in.
5. **Bo Potter** is a Rivendell resident who keeps the pool area clean and well maintained.

The **preserves** are highly regulated and need to pass muster with the County, and State, as well as other agencies. **Aquagenix** is our vendor assessed with the task of keeping us in compliance, like removing exotics such as melaleuca and Brazilian pepper plants and some invasive vines.

Aquatic Systems is our vendor responsible for keeping the retention ponds looking good, while protecting the native wildlife. Recently, they have added an approved blue-green dye to our smaller ponds to shade the water. The lower temperature helps the wildlife cope with the summer heat.

Oversight of the pool and surrounding grounds and equipment will keep it looking good and in smooth operating condition. The pool area has been recently painted; new signs installed, damaged fencing repaired, and upgrades are to be added to the bathroom equipment. Soon to come will be a service gate to allow **Southwest Pool** associates to do their work without interrupting the bathers.

Thanks Jim for your hard work in making Rivendell a better place to live.

Safety Issues for Bikers and Hikers

By Norma Lee Rhines

Dying while cycling is three to five times more likely in America than in Denmark, Germany or the Netherlands. In America, a line of white paint designates the bike lanes. In much of northern Europe, concrete buffers, rows of trees or parked cars protect cyclists from cars. Amsterdam, Copenhagen and Berlin have "traffic calming" laws that require cars to slow down near cyclists.

Challenges for bikers and hikers here begin with the lack of sidewalks as in Osprey on Route 41 as well as other County areas. Some sidewalks and biking lanes end abruptly, forcing a pedestrian or cyclist into an unprotected area on the side of the road.



...and I took the path to...oops.

At busy intersections, walkers or bikers activate traffic lights that allow them to cross first. I recently pushed the crosswalk button so I could cross Route 41 to get on the west side of the highway. Once I had the walk light, I began to cross. Cars entered and turned into my crosswalk. The car has the green light but the cyclist or walker has the cross light. The biker/walker and car meet somewhere in the middle of Route 41 – guess who wins? The pedestrian or cyclist has but a few seconds to get to the other side and can often get stranded in the middle of the highway with cars zooming by impatiently. In the meantime, the cross light is quickly counting down.



You go first. No you go. No, please go. Whose turn is it?

A few American cities have taken European-style steps to make streets safer. Portland, Oregon has used many of these European ideas. The result? Fewer bike deaths. In five out of the past ten years, there have been NO cycling deaths in Portland. Cycling is popular in nearby Seattle (even the Mayor is a two-wheeler). Seattle is considering wider markings for bike lanes, while reducing the outer road lanes from 14 feet to 12 feet, to calm traffic. In Florida, we need to follow the improvements made in Portland and Seattle and use some of Europe's ideas to make our streets safer for both pedestrians and cyclists.

If you are interested in more information about improving bicycle and pedestrian trails in our area, please contact the Sarasota-Manatee Metropolitan Planning Organization that has established a 17-member advisory committee. The Metropolitan Planning Organization is a regional transportation-planning agency. The website has contact information: Sarasota Manatee MPO Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation System



...the bike lane to nowhere...

~photos by Norma Lee Rhines

RIVENDELL COMMITTEE REPORTS

COMMUNICATIONS

By Judy Sokal, Chair

1. The 2012 Directories have been delivered. Anyone who has not received a copy should call Cindy Schmidl (918-1570). Thank you to Barb Gahry, Cindy Schmidl and the Block Captains.
2. We encourage committee chairs and the Board president to share brief updates with the community through the Woodlands Word (WW).
3. For the first time in many years, there will be an August issue of the *Woodlands Word*. Please send short essays with photos of recent trips.
4. The publishers of the *Woodlands Word* have requested that we discontinue the Service Provider Recommendations column. Instead, we ask all Rivendell residents to encourage their favorite providers to consider placing a paid ad in the *Woodlands Word*.

MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE

By Jim Stepien, Chair

Before I proceed with my regular update regarding the status of the many maintenance issues in Rivendell, I would like to address those homeowners who are unable to attend either the Board Meetings or the Maintenance Committee (MC) meetings but are just as concerned with the state of our community as those who can attend.

During these meetings, we have discussed the concept that "time" is taking a toll on our entire community. Landscaping, pool, preserves, wetlands, sidewalks and lampposts are needs that must be addressed now. We want to establish ongoing maintenance procedures to ensure they are done each year. We value all homeowner comments, good or bad — hopefully good! We suggest you either send an email to or call Lighthouse Management with more suggestions on how to help improve our community.

(Maintenance continued on page 7)

Advertising in the Woodlands Word

The Woodlands Word offers two types of advertising:

1. Paid advertising for businesses and
2. Free classified ads for small personal items for sale or wanted.

1. Publisher information for paid advertising:

For business ads, contact our newsletter's publisher, On Trac Publishing. Please call Joan at 941-723-5003.

Advertisers may obtain advertising rates online at <http://www.ontracnewsletters.com> or <http://www.teledrex.com>

2. Classified Ads information for the Woodlands Word:

Small classified ads are for items such as garage sales, childcare opportunities, dog walking, etc. These ads usually run for just one month. However, young residents who are offering their services for babysitting, computer help, etc. can run an ad multiple times.

Please send your written ad to Pam at pbbabbitt@comcast.net by the 10th of the month in order to make the deadline for the next month's issue.

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Now for the MC update for ongoing items:

LANDSCAPE

Sun State has been busy during the past couple of weeks with very noticeable pruning and general clean up at Clear Creek Park on Rivendell Blvd., Rainbow Point Park and our entrance from Park Trace.

The Board has approved the final phase of the sabal palm plantings on Golden Pond and Eagle Lake.

We will schedule a tree service company for the removal of a number of dead tree limbs overhanging the nature trail along the back of Pine View School. We appreciate Board Member Bobby Merrill for addressing this potentially dangerous situation for the safety of our residents and their children who frequently use the nature trail.

During the next few months major grass restoration will take place; most notably will be the area on the north side of Rivendell Blvd from the entrance to the area just before the nature trail entrance. During the rainy months, most of the pond/lake banks (those with no irrigation) along our streets will be re-planted with Bahia grass.

The Board approved the addition of mulch to most of our planting beds, hedges and trees. This will be done in stages after the general clean up of each area is completed.

Now that we have finally received some much-needed rain, our lakes are looking very good. Aquatic Systems will continue to monitor and adjust treatment as necessary.

Aquagenix continues to monitor, treat and remove invasive plants from our preserves and wetlands.

POOL

Last month we identified 9 items needing attention at the pool; 8 of the items have been completed. The restroom partition item required a Board decision prior to further action. At the June 4th Board Meeting, approval was obtained to proceed with the installation of new privacy partitions in the men's restroom along with replacement of the failing partition in the women's restroom. New restroom door signs have been installed and we are reviewing the possible consolidation of five individual signs that were removed during the pool repainting before we have them reinstalled.

OTHER

The children's play area located in Crescent Park will have additional pine bark spread to enhance the look and safety of the area.

The MC will consider the following items at future monthly meetings: main irrigation pump shed replacement, additional pool restoration items (mirrors, fans, etc.), palm tree trimming schedule, street lamp restoration options and recommendations, and new irrigation options. We invite homeowners interested in any area of our community to attend our meetings.

Next meeting is July 11, 2012, 7:00 pm at the Cottages Clubhouse.

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for our area is: 316-1201**

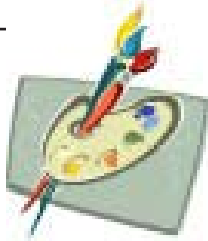
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June 7 to September 30, 2012

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The *Selby Instructors' Annual Exhibit and Sale* showcases the artwork of the instructors. During the exhibit from 1:00 to 2:30 on the second Saturday of each month you may visit with the instructors and learn more about our classes. Event Contact: mshelley@selby.org



Friday Fest 2012 at Van Wezel Bayfront

July 13th it's cowboy **Adrian Ray** and his country music band. Music has been described as "Heavy Country", bridging today's Country Music with Classic Rock.

August 10th it's **The Venturas**, who will do Jazz, Latin and Blues renditions. When it comes to this high-energy group, be sure to wear your dancing shoes.

September 14th is **Bird Street Players**. Bird Street Players is a high-energy funk, soul and reggae band with driving bass lines, horn solos, and a strong rhythm section.

Bring blankets or lawn chairs; enjoy the music, sunset, and food or beverages from local vendors. In the event of inclement weather, the Festival will move indoors to the Van Wezel Performing Arts Hall. Outside food, drink, coolers and weapons are prohibited.

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Newcomers to Rivendell

A baby bobcat (bobkitten?) was seen in the backyard of Marilyn Probert near the end of Fordingbridge Way in May. Also in May, Catherine Kerr spotted a baby Florida panther in the small park between Crane Prairie Way and Anna Hope Lane. This is quite exciting because panthers are not seen as often as they used to be. Both kittens were similar in coloring, and it was their tails (or lack thereof) that set them apart. In both cases their mothers were nowhere to be seen, but most certainly they were watching nearby.

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*Editor's Note: The February 2012 issue of the **Woodlands Word**, featured an article by Rivendell resident Karen McClure who participated in the **2011 Susan G. Komen 3-Day for the Cure Walk in Tampa Bay**. The 60-mile walk began in Clearwater and extended south and east to a Bay-front park in St. Petersburg. Karen's 50 member team, "Walking in Sunshine," was the largest and raised the most money. A story about the "Walking in Sunshine" team can be found at this link: <http://www.heraldtribune.com/article/20110927/ARTICLE/110929603>*

Start planning now!

The next 3-day event in Tampa is October 26 - 28, 2012.

To learn more about the event, visit the comprehensive website: www.the3day.org
or <http://ww5.komen.org>

To join a team, form your own team, or register visit the website: <http://www.the3day.org>

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2012 Book Group**

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1 cup sugar

Put parchment paper on a cookie sheet.
Drop onto sheet by teaspoonfuls.

Bake at 225 degrees for 1 hour and 5 minutes.

Turn off heat and leave in oven overnight.

The Meringues can be frozen.

Chocolate Walnut Toffee Bars

1 cup butter or margarine softened

2 cups flour

1 cup firmly packed brown sugar

½ tsp. salt

1 egg

1 ½ cups chopped walnuts

1 tsp. vanilla

1 cup semi-sweet chocolate pieces

Heat oven to 350 degrees.

In mixer beat butter, brown sugar, egg and vanilla till creamy. Stir in flour, salt and ½ cup walnuts.

Spread into lightly buttered 13x9 inch pan.

Bake for 25 min. or until lightly browned.

IMMEDIATELY sprinkle on chocolate pieces and let stand for 5 minutes. The chocolate will spread easily over the cookie base. After chocolate covers the cookie base, sprinkle on walnuts.

Cool and cut into bars.

Book Group

By Marilyn Probert



The group will not meet during July and August.

The September selection is **Maine**, a novel by J. Courtney Sullivan. The story is told from the perspective of four women: Alice, the widowed 83 year old matriarch, Alice's granddaughter Maggie, a successful author, Maggie's mother Kathleen, the black sheep of the family, and Anne Marie, the unhappy wife of Kathleen's brother Patrick. Secrets and simmering resentments abound, and the "vacation" is anything but peaceful. Join us on September 10 at Pam Babbitt's home with Hope Kocian as discussion leader. Please call Pam at 918-8781 if you'd like to attend.

October's book selection is the **Magician's Assistant** by Ann Patchett. The Magician's Assistant reflects author Ann Patchett's ability to combine the ordinary with the fantastic. When the magician suddenly dies his wife begins to discover how she's seen him only through smoke and mirrors. A secretive magician's death becomes the catalyst for his partner's journey of self-discovery in this book "that is something of a magic trick in itself".

All Book Group meetings are open to Rivendell residents; we meet on the second Monday of the month at 7:30 p.m. Please call the month's hostess if you'd like to participate.

Question? Complaint? Concern? Contact Lighthouse Property Management

Lighthouse Property Management
16 Church Street, Osprey, FL 34229
Tel: (941) 966-6844

Property Manager: Kyanne Merrill,
CAM kyannemerrill@mgmt.tv
Assistant: Shannon Banks,
shannonbanks@mgmt.tv

Sarasota County Fertilizer Ordinance

Sarasota County's fertilizer ordinance 2007-062, aims to cut down on the amount of pollution getting into area waterways.

- It prohibits applying fertilizers that contains nitrogen or phosphorus between June 1 and September 30.
- It sets a fertilizer-free zone within 10 feet of any body of water.
- It requires training for commercial applicators
- It has penalties for violators.

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Minutes of the Architectural Review Committee May 29, 2012

Attendees: Gwen Stepien – Committee Chair, Joe Sefack, Shirley Borean, Mary Marryott, and Mickie Konner

The ARC meeting called to order at 6:00 PM with a quorum of 5 committee members present.

The following applications were reviewed and decided for action.

| ITEM | ADDRESS | WORKPLAN | RESOLUTION |
|------|-------------------------|---|--|
| 1. | 714 Shadow Bay Way | Landscape | Resolved: APPROVED Motion: Joe Sefack 2 nd : Mickie Konner Notes: |
| 2. | 1357 New Forrest Lane | Paint house same color | Resolved: APPROVED Motion: Gwen Stepien 2 nd : Joe Sefack Notes: |
| 3. | 682 Clear Creek Drive | Paint house same color | Resolved: APPROVED Motion: Joe Sefack 2 nd : Shirley Borean Notes: |
| 4. | 514 Meadow Sweet Circle | Replace front windows with hurricane type | Resolved: APPROVED Motion: Mickie Konner 2 nd : Mary Marryott Notes: |
| 5. | 525 Meadow Sweet Circle | Plant Plumbago in front of fence in rear of house | Resolved: APPROVED Motion: Mickie Konner 2 nd : Shirley Borean Notes: |
| 6. | 1099 Scherer Way | Remove old plants replace with new | Resolved: APPROVED Motion: Shirley Borean 2 nd : Gwen Stepien Notes: |
| 7. | 1073 Scherer Way | Take up old Florida Friendly plants which are dead and replace with new | Resolved: APPROVED Motion: Shirley Borean 2 nd : Mary Marryott Notes: |

ARC meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm. **Next Meeting: June 26, 2012.**

The Architectural Review Committee (ARC)

meets the **last Tuesday** of each month

at the Cottages Clubhouse;

applications are due to Lighthouse Management

by the **third Tuesday** of each month.

NOTE: The ARC recommends that applications be received one week before the next meeting. Applications received after the monthly date will have to wait until following month.

Dates, times, and locations of Board and Committee meetings are based on the available information at the time of publication.

Editors' Note: The following are the official minutes of the Rivendell Board of Directors. As such, they are published as they were received. The Woodlands Word is not responsible for any errors in spelling, grammar, or content. The official Board Minutes can also be viewed on-line through the Rivendell website at Lighthouse Management.

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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
April 9, 2012**

A REGULAR MEETING of the Board of Directors was scheduled to be held at 6:00 P.M., at the Historic Spanish Point at 337 N. Tamiami Trail, Osrey, Florida.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M., by the President, Curt Kennedy.

Notice of the meeting was delivered to each Director and posted on the property prior meeting, in accordance with the requirements of the Association Documents and Florida Statutes.

The following Directors were present:
Bobby Merrill, Curt Kennedy, Bruce Lorie, Walter Perkowski, and Nancy Schubert

A quorum was declared to be present.

On matter relating to the minutes of the previous:

A motion was made by Ms. Schubert and seconded by Mr. Kenndey

MOTION 12-18: to approve the meeting minutes of February 6, 2012. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Mr. Merrill and seconded by Mr. Perkowski

MOTION 12-19: to approve the meeting minutes of March 5, 2012. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Ms. Schubert and seconded by Mr. Merrill

MOTION 12-20: to approve the Special Board Meeting Minutes of April 5, 2012. Mr. Lorie was opposed. Motion passed with a 4-1 vote.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS,

Treasurer's report, Mr. Merrill provided a summary of the February 2012. The prior year fund balance totals \$102,659, which the Board will need to decide how to allocate the surplus. Mr. Merrill reviewed the collection procedure with the association's attorney, specifically account #5113. A motion was made by Mr. Merrill and seconded by Mr. Perkowski

MOTION 12-21: to approve the expense of \$250 payable to Becker & Polikoff to re-file a lien against account #5113. Motion passed.

Committee Reports, (see attached #1). Mr. Merrill provided a report on behalf of Judy Sokal.

Pool, deferred to later in the agenda.

Landscape, Mr. Stepien provided a report (see attachment #2). The next meeting was scheduled for April 11th at 7pm at Cottages clubhouse. Mr. Stepien provided a detailed summary of the Landscape Contract bidding process.

ARC, Ms. Stepien provided a report. (see attachment #3) Allen Roeter was thanked for his service to the committee. The next meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, April, 24th at 6pm at the Cottages. Treasurer of the patio homes regarding the painting of the mailboxes. ARC minutes.

MOTION 12-22: to approve the following applicants to the Architectural Review Committee: Joe Sefack, Shirtey Borean and Mary Marryott. Motion passed.

Manager's Report, Ms. Merrill provided a report (see attachment #4). Motion passed. Ms. Merrill agreed to the following:

- The draft agenda will be sent to the Board 14 days prior to regular board meeting.
- The agenda will continue to be posted at the two bulletin boards.
- The meeting sign will be posted the day before a meeting by Management.
- A broadcast e-mail will be sent to the members prior to regular board meeting by Management.

A motion was made by Mr. Merrill and seconded by Mr. Perkowski

MOTION 12-23: to approve the fines in the amount of \$1000 to 796 Shadow Bay Way, 734 and 759 Fording-bridge Way. Motion passed.

Mr. Lorie exited the meeting at 7:25 PM.

New Business,

Matters relating to Pool Committee chair and Board liaison, the Board discussed the provision in the documents which describes the function of a maintenance committee, Ms. Shcubert made a motion and Mr. Perkowski seconded

MOTION 12-24: to institute a maintenance committee, which will merge the Landscape/Environmental and Pool Committee into one. Mr. Merrill was opposed. Motion passed 3-1 vote.

A motion was made by Ms. Schubert and seconded by Mr. Merrill

MOTION 12-25: to appoint Walter Perkowski as Maintenance Committee Board liaison and Jim Stepien as the Maintenance Committee chairperson. Motion passed.

Matters relating Communication Committee members, the matter was tabled.

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Matters relating to Landscaping Contract, Management suggested the Board individually interview each of the Landscape bidders. After discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Kennedy and seconded by Ms. Schubert

MOTION 12-26: to accept the contract proposal submitted by Sunsate Landscaping effective April 13, 2012. Motion passed.

Management reported ValleyCrest was already noticed that their contract would not be automatically renewed. Notice to each of the bidders will be sent thanking them for their participation.

A motion was made by Ms. Schubert and seconded by Mr. Kennedy

MOTION 12-27: to schedule the next regular board meeting for June 4, 2012 at 6:00 PM at Spanish Point. Motion passed.

Owner Comments

Carl Schubert, 936 Scherer Way, expressed his appreciation for the lakes looking good throughout the community. Several e-mails are being sent by Board members/residents that are negative.

Mike Gruenfeld, 1030 Scherer Way, suggested the Board analyze decisions before they are made that effect volunteers volunteering on committees.

Paul Sarno, Fordingbridge Way, provided positive comments on the community's appearance and urged the Board to address existing pool items. Mr. Sarno suggested the Board consider an alternative meeting location.

Larry Dubias, 754 Anna Hope Lane, expressed concerns with how the meeting for the Special Board of Directors was noticed and suggested all meetings be broadcast e-mailed to all residents.

With no further business before the Board, a motion made and seconded, the meeting adjourned at 8:08 P.M.

Kyanne Merrill, CAM

Dated: This day 16th of April, 2012.

COM COM REPORT FOR APRIL 9 2012 BOARD MEETING

From Judy Sokal, read by Bobby Merrill

The Woodlands Word is continuing to run like a well-oiled machine, and the Board is keeping us posted on changes and updates as needed. We are always looking for volunteer reporters to offer restaurant reviews, summaries of trips near or far, recommendations for businesses, and other items of interest to residents.

The new 2012 Directories have been delivered to Barb Gahry, and she and Cindy Schmidl, head of block captains, will coordinate the delivery to all homeowners in a timely fashion.

The most current Standing Rules from the Board was not provided to Com Com until after the deadline for publishing for the 2012 Directories, so the new Rules will be printed in the Woodlands Word, and we will also update Lighthouse Management, as the website they manage for us does not have the most current Standing Rules either.

Manager's Report

4.9.12

On Site/Maintenance-

- Coordinated repair Pool pump room door- (LPM \$210.00-Done)
- Requested for front entrance sign to be cleaned.
- Working w/ LEC regarding specs and bid requests.
- Compliance drives through community.
- Contacted Sherwin Williams to obtain spec for street-lights.

Administrative-

- Forwarded financials to Board for review.
- Forwarded draft agenda to board for review.
- Forwarded draft minutes for review.
- Forwarded ARC requests to committee.
- Approved minutes posted to website.
- Forwarded approved minutes to Ms. Babbit for publishing in the newsletter.
- Posted newsletter to website.

Correspondence-

- Letters sent to homeowners regarding submitted ARC forms.
- Letters sent to homeowners with compliance violations.
- Prepared requested document(s) upon request from homeowners.- Yearend Financials
- Email Correspondences.

Compliance-

- Compliance letters mailed to homeowners. Total: 3

Roof/Fence/Structure.....1

Dogs/Nuisance

Yard Condition/Weeds.....2

Garbage Cans

Mailbox

Vehicles

Vote for fining:

Attached you will find a summary that we have been working on for all final notices that were sent.

786 Shadow Bay Way- SUV

796 Shadow Bay Way- Dirty Roof

734 Fordingbridge Way- Dirty Roof, Weeds & Dead Palm fronds

759 Fordingbridge Way- Dead front lawn

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RCA Committees 7/2012

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Block Captains, Cindy Schmidl

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Board Liaison, Walter Perkowski

Chair, Jim Stepien

Rosanne Beatty, Bill Bloom, Bill Brenner, Nigel Day, Dave Gill, Carol Heckert, Carole Myles, Carl Schubert, Nancy Schubert

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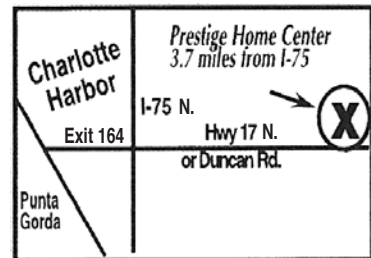
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