

MYRTLE TRACE PROPERTY COMMITTEE

January 8, 2013

Present: Malcolm Macphee, Chair; Judy Beam, Board Liaison; Ellen Elliott; Bill Gascoigne; Earl Lee; Leo Reger; Mike Reynolds; Charlene Rose; Dave Smyth; and Jim Wilkison

The minutes of the December 11, 2012 meeting were approved as distributed.

Malcolm announced that Nancy Southard has submitted her resignation from the committee. Appreciation was expressed for Nancy's work on the committee. Dave Smyth volunteered to assume the responsibilities as tree representative. On an interim basis, Malcolm will be responsible for purchasing clubhouse supplies.

Section/Infrastructure Reports

- *Phases 1, 2, 4, 6, and 7 – no problem*
- *Phases 3, 5 and 8– no report*
- *Clubhouse – New dishwasher has been installed and range has been repaired. Carpet cleaning will be done January 25; therefore clubhouse will be closed from 7 am until 3 pm. Board appointed Ad hoc Clubhouse Refurbishing Committee continues to meet.*
- *Cabana–Additional estimates are still being sought to address electrical issues.*
- *Pool – Closed for season.*
- *Lakes – The aerator in Hummingbird/Sparrow needs a replacement part which has been ordered and will be installed when it arrives. Two bids have been received for work needed to solve leakage problem in Cormorant. Third bid expected tomorrow. Report will be made a Board meeting. On target to complete work on time.*
- *Roads, gates, signs, mailboxes and posts – No problems reported.*
- *Trees – Roots from tree on Cricket Court common property have raised sidewalk causing a safety issue. Hardee will remove and stump will be ground when others are done. Tree damaged by accident on Myrtle Trace Drive has been removed and replacement plantings made. Still pending is tree removal on Birchwood and stump grinding on Candlewood.*
- *Garden Club – Focus is on garden maintenance. There is an on-going issue in garden, bocce court area and all grounds surrounding clubhouse regarding dog owners' failure to pick up after their pets. This poses health and aesthetic concerns. Judy volunteered to write a note for both News and Views and the web site reminding of the individual responsibility and that common property belongs to all and should be treated with respect.*

Unfinished Business

- *The Lake Banks Committee will present their report at a meeting on January 28 at 2 pm in the clubhouse.*

New Business

- *The absence of decorations on community entrance signs during the past holiday season was noted. Decorations used in the past have been located and Charlene will label the storage bags as containing outside decorations. Property Committee will assume responsibility for decorating signs in future.*
- *Suggestion was made to explore the potential of having an annual contract with one or two firms for tree removal. First step in exploring feasibility will be determining whether or not this would result in cost savings.*
- *The need for new committee members was expressed.*
- *While there is a replacement criteria for trees removed from homeowner property, currently there is not a similar policy for trees removed from common property. Such a practice would help maintain the “green” environment valued in Myrtle Trace.*

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 11:10 am.