

Wexford Homeowner's Association
Board of Directors Meeting
09/03/2009, Michalski Residence

Present: Donald Michalski, Dave Tolmie, Trish Watts, Richard Hilsenhoff, Ken Schmidt, Jim Rather

Guest: Marion Bridge

Not Present: Tom Aquino, Matt Thomas, Paul Stang, Darrell Flemming

1. Review and approval of August 4th, 2009 minutes: Tom
Table until next meeting.
2. Review and approval of August financial Report: Paul/Don
Table until next meeting.
3. Announcements
Directories: The directories have been printed, sorted and delivered by members of the board. We plan to have an annual supplement with new and updated listings.
4. New Business
 - a. Saukdale – Wexford Boundary: Marion Bridge, Saukdale President and Jim Rather
Wexford and Saukdale boundaries unclear.
The path between the 2 areas is on the Saukdale property at some points, on the city at others, and on Wexford property mostly. Wexford is responsible for the upkeep of the paths. Saukdale contracts with Bruce, so they should get them to clean up the berm and some overgrown areas. We are cutting some of the city grass near there and to the creek to keep it looking nicer. We pay about \$3500 a year to the city for the out lot connectors. We would like Saukdale to talk to their contractor and get them to take care of the property up to their lot line... or to where we go. We'll hold up on telling Barnes, our contractor when to ease off. There is a general meeting of Saukdale coming up in September that Marion will bring up to her members.
 - b. Wexford Village policies & procedures: Don
Don started a document of policies and procedures.
Trish will put in a more formal document and give to the board members to add comments. Please add any additional things you can think of. Don to send Trish the electronic copy.
 - c. Constant Contact – Wexford Watch
At November meeting, we'll talk about it. It would cost about \$306/yr Electronic
On proxy, vote on this electronic version
Next board meeting, we'll discuss what issues to put on proxy
5. Old Business
 - a. Review of contracting performance of bike path pavement of 2008 – Matt/Don
Question on how good of a job they did. Matt has been unable to get a hold of them. The committee felt that the track filling was okay, but the sealing was a waste of money. We're unsure if it was their performance or materials. Maybe we could do a sample strip with blacktop sealant with 10 year durability to see what happens.
 - b. Middleton Street Barrier – Don
Final word today from city that they dropped of the mulch.
Called Skidmore to pick up the pile of junk. Spread mulch, Planted perennials, annuals
Tom Wilke from McCay nursery offered shrubbery. He drew up a plan and put \$300 worth of plants. Middleton doesn't want trees or large shrubs. Gurdip Brar donated plants.
6. Committee Reports
 - a. Architectural Review – Darrell/Richard/Matt
Nothing to report
 - b. Block Captains – Jim
Nothing to report
 - c. City Relations – Ken/Don
No word from Paul.
Gammon and Old Sauk intersection: changing crossing signal to be audible.

Sawmill/Westfield Rd calming circle: Petition for cross walks painting. The area is supposed to be redesigned. Dave requested an update, but Tom Dryer hasn't gotten back to him yet. The sidewalks are going to change to go off to the side and be painted. Money was budgeted and approved for this year.

Ken called on the curb and gutter put in two years again that cracked and is still under warranty and it will be fixed soon. Skidmore said it was considered too dangerous now being near the park and school and city bus stops. Dave's guess is it is moving forward with the city. Ken will call Skidmore on it.

Traffic light at Westfield and Old Sauk is still on the table but not a priority.

d. Contracting – Don/Matt

No problems with grass cutting

Weed and feed within next 4 weeks

Snow plowing up for renewal. Meinholz was our vendor last year. When requesting the bid – all areas to be included were not. We have 9 areas identified, not 5. The bid is \$195 for basic plow, which goes up to approximately 60% for snowfalls > than 13". Matt was going to check with another contractor to assess reasonability. We need to do this soon. We usually accept a 2 year contract.

Lights – 1 out on Norwalk, and 1 out on Boothbay. We will also check finances and see if we need to do any moving/consolidating of lights and then do in a bundle.

Discussion of electricity as an expense: Issue of security, Economic sense to turn lights off in winter?, Cost to disconnect, electrician to go to each box, meter charge anyway (28), could cost a lot just to turn off/on. Maybe add to our monthly meeting?

e. Covenants – Don

2 issues: Boat and truck out in street on Middleton street, letter took care of it.

- 2 houses on Fiskdale, 6 and 18; neighbor complaints on messy yard. Letters to clean it up. Issue of principal, herbicides. 6 cleaned up right away, 18 will. Darien to Apple hill path – low hanging trees. Responsible to Darien and Sawmill homeowners. Trees are overgrowing the path. Don will write letter to trim tree.

f. Neighborhood Watch – Dave

More kids in the park.

1 neighbor calling police... and they are responding, once w/in 5 minutes. Around 11:30 p.m., a woman had someone come up to the back window on Highgate, backyard wooded. In kitchen, someone man right up to the window.

The Nitty Gritty has gone non-smoking, so patrons go outside on patio and are noisy.

g. Parks – Ken

Hired a college student, Zach, who is studying turf management to finish up mulching, cut branches, brush, etc... Sloping hill behind Applehill is now clean with more ground cover. New bubbler in Park. Need to meet with plowers to improve where cross country skiers go. Orange flags around the rink were requested by our snowplower, Jerry.

If anyone wants to in end of October, golf disk will be stored in shed by ken, we can help.

Park and shelter got a lot of use this year. We still have about \$1000 to maybe put towards something.... Light out in the shelter. Roll up hoses and put in shed. 2nd Monday of the month is brush pickup.

h. Social – Don

Nothing to report

i. Welcoming – Trish

Nothing to report

j. Website – Trish

Updated calendar, will update with all stuff tonight

k. Wexford Watch – Dave

Oct, Nov, & Dec – need articles.

Meeting adjourned at 8:47