

LAKES OF BLISS WOODS
HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION
MAY 11, 2009

Attendees: Sonny Garza, Bonnie Johnson, Mark Smith, Mark Smith, Chris Steenwyk

Meeting called to order by Sonny Garza.

Motion to approve minutes was made by Chris and seconded by Mark.

Treasurer's Report

\$36,093.84	Checking
20,000.00	CD
<u>20,211.88</u>	CD
\$76,305.72	Total

The CD for \$20,211.88 expired and was rolled over into the checking for the summer.

Motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by Bonnie and seconded by Mark.

New Business

Muskrat trapping has begun. Signs have been placed around the ponds to let residents know to be careful. So far 24 muskrats have been caught over a three week period.

Anyone have work done by the Beaulieu's will not need to submit paperwork for approval. Ed will submit all plans at once to the Board.

Architectural Review

868 Elm Street – landscaping/trees approved

Waterfall and sprinklers have been turned.

Sensor is not working on sprinkler system near North pond and the waterfall is not coming on until 7:45 and going off after 11 pm. Board will look into this.

Two aerators have been ordered and will be installed in July.

Still working with John Elleby on electrical for North entrance. Have been looking into some solar lighting for South entrance.

Social Committee

Have new homeowners at 610 Hickory and 868 Elm. Let's make them feel welcome . Pat will send them a welcome packet.

August 29th will be the social event for the Bliss Woods homeowners. Pat Graceffa will be sending out "Save the Date" notices.

Neighborhood Bliss

Started about five years ago and consists of homeowners who come together to do plantings and clean up around the ponds and common areas.

Ellen announced that no annuals would be planted in the common areas this year. Several men volunteered to do the planting for her.

Ed and Ellen Beaulieu work for a company called Aqua Scapes. Every year they hold an event called Pondemonium. This year they are working with the Village of Sugar Grove to start an Extreme Green Makeover. They have offered to our homeowners a significant discount to be the first subdivision to go Green. The event will be held at Pheasant Run starting July 17th. On this day they will bring a bus through our subdivision. On Saturday the contractors will all be out to work on the sites that have been confirmed. All confirmed sites will be dug one week prior to event. Anyone interested in participating or wanting more information should contact Ed & Ellen Beaulieu.

New Business

The annual garage sale will take place May 29th & 30th. Most of the subdivisions in Sugar Grove will be participating. There will be no cost to the homeowners for the advertising.

Yard waste can be stored anywhere around your home as long as it is not visible from the street. This was an amendment which can be found on the Bliss Woods website.

No architectural review fees which was also an amendment and can be found on the website.

We would like to purchase signs (like the ones we have in our parks) to notify residents about No Swimming, No Wading, Residents Only, etc. We have homeowners who would like fishing to be allowed. The Board would like it to be catch and release only. This would have to be put to a vote so watch for this information in the future. These signs will help us to enforce our rules when it comes to non-residents fishing in our ponds.

Two flag poles at South entrance need to either have flags on them or be taken down. This is not the three flag poles directly in front of the pond. The poles we are referring to are by the waterfall. Would like homeowners input. Majority at meeting voted to take them down. If you have any concerns please let the Board know.

Old Business

We renewed our contract with Call the Underground for one more year. They take care of the pumps, sprinklers, etc.

We did not renew with Scientific Aquatic. They have been replaced with Rollins Aquatic. The new contract will include weekly pond checks.

We will be renewing with Alan when we receive the contract.

We are need of one block captain. If anyone is interested please let the Board know. The area to be covered is Block 2 which is 926-1018 Oak Street.

We will be asking Alan to mow further away from the ponds due to the damage the muskrats have created. Currently he mows about three feet away and we would like him to stay about 10 feet away.

New directory was sent out by Glenn Nordell. If any changes need to be made please contact Glenn.

Homeowner Questions & Concerns

No vehicles parked in driveway with company name on them. Is there any rule against vanity plates advertising business? **We will look into this.**

Who is responsible for clearing the sidewalks in the winter? **Homeowners are responsible for the sidewalk in front of their home.**

Residents on Oak need help. Hannaford Farms is not cutting the weeds behind their homes. Could this be looked into? **We will check into this.**

Grass and weeds in Hannaford are about waste high behind the Bliss Woods homes that back up to Hannaford. Could this also be looked into? **We will also check this out.**

Compliment to the Boards for how nice the common areas look.

There is dead grass around middle pond that needs repair from the flooding.

It is understood that sheds are not allowed but can a lean to or a half shed that could be attached to the back of the house and sided to match be allowed? **You would need to submit proposal and then we would look into this.**

Just a note to homeowners on personal safety that lot's of garage doors are open after dark. This could be an invitation to some unwanted stranger.

Motion to adjourn made by Chris and seconded by Mark.

Next meeting will be July 20th.