# MARSH RIDGE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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### April 2008

# **Board Meeting Notes April 16, 2008**

All Board members were present except for Lowell Mikkelson. The minutes of the January 16, 2008 meeting were reviewed and approved. Tom Micke distributed the financial and year-to-date expense reports for discussion and approval. As this is the first month of the  $2^{nd}$  quarter, our bank account is healthy with all but one homeowner up to date on dues.

No large capital expenses are anticipated for this summer since some driveways were repaired and all were seal coated last summer.

There was one request for the Architectural Committee, which was forwarded. Snow removal is essentially finished for the past season and lawn care will be started as weather permits. Winter and plowing damage will be repaired and/or reseeded in the lawns and thatching will be done. The sprinkler system will be inspected and activated shortly after May 1<sup>st</sup>.

If homeowners notice a broken or dislodged sprinkler head in their lawns, please make a note of its location and put the note in the mailbox on the side of the pump house on Tower Drive. Blank forms are located in the mailbox on the pump house. The lawn-care and sprinkler contractors check the mailbox and correct any problems. Please leave a phone number with your notice.

There were no Insurance issues and no Social activities planned.

#### **Old Business**

Due to changes in the level of the hill east of Bonita Circle, drainage issues have impacted the yards of houses on Tower Drive. City engineers and Board members have inspected and have resolved the problem with the city agreeing to construct a swale on the hillside. Water should now be directed to the storm sewers on Tower Drive.

The Board reviewed legal action in regard to a delinquent homeowner.

## **New Business**

Some homeowners have been storing their trash containers outside from collection to collection. This is in violation of the rule to put away trash containers as soon as possible after they are emptied. Letters will be sent to these homeowners.

Randy's Sanitation will pick up extra or large trash if they are called in advance. However, a separate charge is made for this service, which in the past has been billed to the Association. The Board will notify Randy's to collect the fee for this pick up from the homeowner in advance.

The Board then compiled a list of damage to homes and yards that resulted over the winter. Some repairs and replacements had not been completed last fall. A list will be generated and repairs will be scheduled. Included on this list will be repair and treatment of lawns damaged by dogs. This repair will be itemized and billed to the dog owner.

Pet owners are reminded of MRHA rules regarding clean up after pets and rules requiring pets to be on a leash and ACCOMPANIED by its owner whenever it is outside the home. No pet may be leashed or chained up to any tree, structure, pole, or other device intended to supplant an Owner's presence or control.

If you have not removed any seasonal lighting from trees/shrubs please do so now to prevent any damage to the trees/shrubs and allow our landscape contractor to trim trees/shrubs as needed.

The next regular meeting of the Board will be on May 14<sup>th</sup> at 542 Marsh Drive. The Board will meet at 6:30 with a walking tour of the area to inspect lawns and homes for damage. The meeting will follow.