

Marsh Ridge Homeowners Association Newsletter

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All Board members met at 6:00 to walk through Marsh Ridge and check for exterior and landscape damage. A list will be developed for repair. The driveway contractor has inspected driveways for sinking or leaking where asphalt meets the garage floor. The Board reviewed the six driveways identified and concurred that partial replacements should be done. Some holes in siding, mailboxes loose from their base, and trees that are very stressed were noted on the list.

With our scanty rainfall this spring, homeowners are urged to water trees as in-ground sprinklers do not give young trees adequate moisture. Stressed trees are more likely to attract disease or insects.

The Board Meeting began at 7:15. Minutes from the March 18 meeting and the April 10 meeting were approved. Lowell Mikkelson gave the financial report and year to date expenses. There were no unusual items except for the \$3500 expense to apply to FEMA for flood map change. (See New Business below). The financial report was approved. Doug Ludwig noted that two 6-month CD's included in our Reserve Fund will roll over and the Board took no action to stop the roll over.

Committee Reports

Craig Sinkel reported on the progress of the Roof Committee. Rieder Roofers will be inspecting some shingles to determine if they qualify for participation in the class action suit against the manufacturer. This is a complicated process and the return is minimal, but will be completed if their assessment is positive. The Board will set a schedule for roof replacement over a multiple year period. This will be reported on at the Annual Meeting. The Audit Committee had questions about supplying 1099 forms and the Board will ask for clarification from the Association's lawyer so we will be in compliance.

The Ash Borer Committee met and gathered much information from City, County and Department of Agriculture. It is suggested that if Marsh Ridge is outside a 15 mile radius of infestations we can delay treatment or removal this summer. This item too will be addressed at the Annual Meeting.

Our lawn maintenance contractor will inspect trees and lawns in Marsh Ridge. Some areas that were never sodded are being mowed which is an additional expense each time it is done. The Board will make a decision if this expense should be added to the contract.

New Business

The Board reviewed the response of FEMA to our request to identify if homes on the West side of Aspen and Marsh Drive were in the flood plain per the FEMA map. Surveys and other information had been submitted and all except two addresses are higher than the flood level. These two homeowners have been notified of

this and the Board is pursuing options to correct the problem. A new submittal to FEMA must be made after any corrections are completed.

A list of maintenance projects for summer was established. The sign at the entrance to Marsh Ridge is still in need of repair. The Board **is calling for a volunteer committee** to make an inspection and suggest repair or replacement options. **If you can help on this committee call any Board member.**

The next Board meeting will be July 21, 7:00 p.m. at 472 Aspen Circle.