

# Marsh Ridge Homeowners Association Newsletter

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**The Marsh Ridge Homeowners Association Board** met on March 14, 2013. All Board members were present except Doug Ludwig who participated via speaker phone due to illness. Two single family homeowners and two guests buying a twin home were also present. Minutes of January 10 were reviewed along with the February financial statement. The January statement had been e-mailed to the Board in mid-February. Minutes and both financial statements were approved.

**Committee Reports:** There was no further information on Insurance; and nothing on finance except Tom noted that there would be a large invoice coming for snow removal in February. Snow plowing in December before the ground had frozen damaged some sod. Our lawn contractor has assured us that all sod ripped up will be replaced with sod, when sod becomes available probably in June.

The remaining 7 twin home roofs to be replaced will be inspected by our contractor along with Craig Sinkel and the Association will replace those most deteriorated this summer. Our Association taxes have been paid and Zelda Malo will reconvene the Audit committee to review 2012 financial statements.

**Old Business:** The twin home at 691 Marsh Drive has been sold, closing on March 15. This address was in foreclosure since June 19. Closers were supplied with all information on dues, assessments and late fees from that date to present and the Association will receive that amount at closing.

The twin home at 567 Bonita Circle has a purchase agreement with possible closing by mid-April.

**New Business:** At the Annual Meeting in September, members voted approval of an extension of the contract for Alpine to plow and do lawn care in Marsh Ridge. The contract which expires in October will be extended until October 2015 with all fees and services at the current rates.

Doug Ludwig suggested that the Association charge fees for requests for document preparation, research, and copies. When a home is sold, closers request dues information, regulations, etc. much of which could be found on our web site in the minutes of meetings and bylaws. Doug suggested a fee of \$150 plus cost of copies. The Board approved this fee.

In November Nick Schweim and Jon Holzer asked the Board to be on a committee to review the dues charged single family homeowners. This dues information was to be compiled from expense figures from the past three years. Recently they asked if this information was completed. The Board directed treasurer, Lowell Mikkelson and Tom Micke to break out the single family common expenses from the Association's total expenses. The Board will convene a special meeting to view and approve the information before making it available to the above review committee.

A spring walk through is scheduled for Tuesday, May 14 at 6:00. The purpose is to check for winter damage and create a list for summer repair and general maintenance. Two home owners have volunteered to walk with the Board on that date. A comprehensive task list for the lawns and exteriors can be compiled if homeowners will join the walk through or be outside that evening to point out any issues. The tour will begin on Marsh Drive at the intersection of Tower and Aspen. A reminder will be on the dues statement mailed to each address. The Board meeting will follow at 7:30.

**Other Business:** The Board wants all homeowners to direct their concerns about lawn care, maintenance issues including roofs to **Craig Sinkel** by phone at 612-423-2401 or e-mail- [csinkel@gmail.com](mailto:csinkel@gmail.com).

Sprinkler system problems including damaged sprinkler heads can be directed to **Lowell Mikkelson** at 763-972-9082. **Doug Ludwig** will handle all paperwork requests.

**The next regular Board meeting will follow the walk through on Tuesday, May 14, 2013, 7:30 pm at 641 Marsh Drive.**