

# Marsh Ridge Homeowners Association Newsletter

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**The Board of the Marsh Ridge Homeowners Association met in a special meeting on June 25, 2015** to review Architectural Committee recommendations and the status of summer maintenance projects.

Jon Holzer and Tom Micke did not attend. Minutes of May 12 were approved and the financial report for May 31, supplied by Tom Micke, was reviewed.

The Board approved the financial report after discussion about the lack of billing by our lawn contractor. He will be notified by e-mail and phone that a penalty will be assessed if billings are not current. Budgeting is difficult, especially for summer maintenance or capital projects.

**Committee Reports:** Nothing on Insurance was an issue. One roof is still to be replaced and will be done in July depending on weather. Lawns are mowed weekly and some vegetation on the edges of the marsh and to the east of Bonita Circle have been cut back. A drainage project behind the homes on Tower Drive has not begun but is scheduled after July 4<sup>th</sup>.

**New Business:** The black lawn edging at many twin home addresses has heaved or been damaged by mowing or plowing. The worst problems were noted at the Board's walk through in May. The Board decided to replace the edging on these addresses with flat cement edging material. This material is more durable and lawn mowing causes little damage. A sale price on the blocks brought the costs in line with plastic edging. Labor costs to replace are comparable to digging up and replacing the plastic edging. This project will be ongoing as maintenance funds allow. Some exterior painting of deck posts and mailbox posts will also be done this summer.

Our sprinkler contractor came to adjust the meters as it was noted that sprinklers were working during rain. One sensor at a pump house was completely covered by bird droppings and not working. While here some sprinkler heads were replaced.

Sunken driveway aprons have been replaced and one complete double drive was completed. The Board received a bid from the paving contractor for seal coating all twin home drives this summer and will schedule crack sealing and seal coating, weather permitting. The Board will work with them on the parking situation for homeowners. The City announced all streets in Marsh Ridge are scheduled for seal coating in August.

The Board reviewed three Architectural committee recommendations for approval of projects. Complete plans and specifications had been provided on all applications and the Board approved all projects.

**The next Board meeting will be Thursday, July 30, 2015 at 596 Marsh Drive at 7:00.**