Marsh Ridge Homeowners Association **Newsletter**

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The Marsh Ridge Homeowners Association Board met on August 26, 2015. All Board members were present except for Howard Glas. Minutes of the July 30 meeting were approved as written and the financial statement as of July 31 was discussed and approved.

Committee Reports: Tom Micke presented two draft budgets for 2016. One does not increase dues for both single family and twin home addresses. The second increases dues \$5.00 for all addresses. Because the bids for Association insurance have not been received yet, budgets cannot be estimated accurately. Insurance is in effect for twin homes and common areas until October 1. The Board will have a follow up meeting as soon as bids are available to be discussed. This also affects any discussion on a draft budget. Recommendations on both issues will be presented at the annual meeting September 17.

Old Business: Drainage work along the rear of Tower Drive has been completed. Water issues at 551 Bonita Circle have been investigated and have been determined to be the responsibility of the homeowner. The final twin home roof replacement is scheduled for late summer and the roof assessment for twin home owners will end October 1. Summer maintenance projects are mainly finished and the lights at the entrance sign will be repaired. Underground wiring was damaged when the dead tree stump was removed and tree replaced.

New Business: The agenda for the annual meeting includes discussion of insurance and the budget for next year. Due to insufficient information these two items will first be discussed at a follow up meeting of the Board. A committee which includes Board Treasurer Jon Holzer and Tom Micke completed a satisfactory audit of the Association's finances which will be reported at the annual meeting.

The annual meeting will include **election of officers** and one appointment to the **Architectural Control Committee.** Volunteers for either the Board

or the Committee are welcomed. All five Board members are up for election. The Architectural Committee is an appointment by the Board.

Jon Holzer reported on the cost of locking mailboxes. A unit contains 16 boxes and 3 keys are issued for each box. A \$50.00 penalty is charged for lost keys or to replace a lock. The cost of \$1475 for each 16 box unit does not include the concrete base, installation of the unit or removal of the existing mail boxes. Marsh Ridge would require at least 3-16 unit boxes.

Further discussion of insurance and budget will be at 7:00 on September 2, 2015 at 641 Marsh Drive.