

**August 29, 2016**

**The Marsh Ridge Homeowners Association Board met to plan the agenda for the MRHA Annual Meeting on Monday, August 29, 2016.** All Board members were present. Tom Micke joined the Board to present the August financial statement and a draft budget for discussion. The meeting agenda was approved as well as the minutes of the August 14<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Old Business:** Craig Sinkel gave Tom the final bill for driveway apron replacement work. This will complete the summer maintenance billings.

**New Business:** Jenco, our landscape contractor, has removed some limbs and taken out two trees due to recent high winds with storms. Stump removal was discussed but ease of access to the stumps is difficult. They will trim lower branches of Ash trees in late fall this year. Ash branches are impacting driveways and siding of some twin homes. Shrubs will be trimmed in fall. They were shaped in early summer this year.

Howard Glas has received a quote for the Association insurance for 2017. The insurance includes some changes particularly in the wind and hail category. But the price is similar to our coverage for the past year. Our insurance is effective as of October 1 of each year so the quote was accepted, signed and dated. An inspection will follow and there are to be NO charcoal grilles on decks.

Tom Micke distributed copies of the estimated budget for 2017 for discussion. Craig was alerted by Jenco that a sprinkler line will have to be relocated next year. He recommended an increase in Sprinkler Maintenance and in other Repair & Maintenance expenditures. The Board estimated the end of year check book balance and the total of the reserve fund and felt there was no need for a dues increase. With changes as discussed the Board accepted the budget.

The agenda for the Annual Meeting was proposed and presentation of items was allocated to Board members. Insurance and budget will be explained in detail and homeowners will have a chance to ask questions, voice concerns on other matters.

**The next Board meeting will follow the Annual Meeting immediately so that the budget is voted on and can be in place by our fiscal year beginning in October.**