



The Woodlands Homeowners Association Newsletter

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Minutes and Addendum from the Woodlands Homeowners' Annual Meeting on August 29, 2015

10:00 AM Meet and Greet/Continental Breakfast

Everyone was ready to get started so Michael called the meeting to order early at 10:25 AM. Current Board members introduced themselves and Michael asked each attending homeowner to stand and introduce themselves. With 20 proxies and 26 properties represented by attending homeowners, We verified a quorum.

Michael began by describing the process of planning and redoing the planting beds at the entrance to the Woodlands. After receiving bids that were deemed too expensive, Michael took on the project himself, billing the Woodlands only for the products used and for services required to repair the sprinkler system. Michael was quick to thank homeowners Pam Wissenbach, Billie Jo Premoe and Jim Langley for their much appreciated help. We owe Michael and Leanne Everett a huge thank you for planning and implementing this project and saving us a lot of money. We also cannot thank Billie Jo enough for her unsolicited and tireless assault on the noxious weeds in and around the pool and common area. Twenty 40 gallon garbage bags WOW!!!! Just a reminder, we are all responsible for our own properties. Do not allow noxious weeds to take root in your yards. Although many are attractive little wild flowers the state does fine you for allowing them to grow and once started they are hard to eradicate.

Next Michael discussed possible projects for this year. A major concern are the pavers around the pool. Tree roots are working their way under the pavers toward the pool. Aside from making the deck uneven the concern is that if allowed to reach the pool walls they could cause damage to the pools structure. Once these issues were addressed it was suggested that we have the pavers sealed so that weeds will not be able to grow between them.

Another concern is speeding and the possibility of putting in temporary speed bumps. Ones that could be put down in the Spring and taken up in the Fall. By removing them before snowfall it could also remove the cities objections.

Another suggestion was to remove the volleyball court and replace it with a covered concrete pad that could be used as a covered picnic

area and also for pickleball. Al Butler provided a picture of what this could look like. Pickleballers pointed out that the roof would make it unusable for their sport. Other suggestions were botchy ball and horseshoes or to replace the sand with grass so that it could still be used for volleyball as well as other lawn sports.

Michael brought up the possibility of purchasing some acreage in the

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landlocked area to the southeast of the subdivision and preparing it for homeowners to use to store boats, campers etc. Toys, not permitted to be stored on individual lots unless screened from view.

Each of the projects received both favorable and unfavorable comments. The board was asked to get bids for all and return with information for homeowners review. We were also asked to revisit the emergency ingress. As you will remember Michael researched and planned that project two years ago. He wrote a grant to help with the cost. The grant was not funded and although the ingress would be gated and locked, used by emergency vehicles only, the school board did not approve going thru their playground and parking lot.

Margie summarized the minutes from last year's Annual Meeting. A complete account can be found on our website.

Walt reported that despite going over budget last year we are fiscally in good shape. This year we have not only stayed within our budget but in some instances come in under the budgeted amounts. Walt's monthly and yearend financial reports can also be viewed on our website. It was moved and seconded to approve the financial statement.

Speaking of our website, please visit www.woodlandsmccall.org. Our website was updated and remodeled this year...thank you Sheree Sonfield. We have a new look and user friendly format. You may now view the reservations calendar, under amenities.

Patti reported that the pool is doing well. Many of her concerns have been eliminated by shutting down short term rentals last year. Chemical use is back to normal and the pump has not been stressed. The cameras appear to have eliminated all but one rogue swimming event. Patti suggested that when taking infants and toddlers into the pool please use Swimmers (totally self-contained diapers). FYI the pool will be closed after Labor Day (Sept. 8). The water will be turned off after the last reservation on Sept. 13 and the bathrooms will be locked.

Our guest speaker, Mark Billmire, Fire Chief for our district, brought us up to date on what could end up being the worst fire season in Idaho's history and reviewing McCall's Firewise Program. The most important person protecting your property is YOU!! This year McCall is in the eye of the fires. They are all around us. Mark pointed out the need for McCall in general and specifically the Woodlands to become Firewise. He provided information on how as individuals we can best protect our property. That information is available on their national website www.firewise.org. Al King, a Woodlands homeowner, a retired firefighter and a person deeply committed to McCall's Firewise program along with Jacki Rubin, WHOA's former president, have volunteered to be on the Woodlands Firewise Committee. Their contact information is on our website. Al and Jacki are available to help you make your property firewise, not to report on others. The Firewise information is important to all but it can be especially important to homeowners who are not permanent residents and owners who have yet to build on their lots, owners who may not be here at critical times to help protect their properties. Fire wood on your porch or deck, tall weeds and grasses, dead trees and brush and low hanging tree limbs can quickly make your property indefensible. In which case firefighters will move on to other properties, ones they have a chance of saving.

Before adjourning ballots for the Board of Directors were collected. There were no additional volunteers at that time. The current Board of Directors was re-elected and will remain in their current positions. Please give serious consideration to serving your community by volunteering to serve on the board, or on the architectural or firewise committees.

An addendum to our meeting, Bob Herold, a former president of the WHOA was unable to attend the meeting due to an unexpected trip to Boise. Bob has volunteered to serve on the board this year as a member at large.

Respectfully submitted:
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