

Silver Firs II Board Meeting Minutes February 26, 2007

Date: February 26, 2007

Location: Fire Station #13, Puget Park Drive

Board Members in Attendance: Twila Schamer, Leonard Ross, Erin Thomsen, Roger Grayson, Tom Hobbs

CWD Group: Julie Gray

Homeowners in Attendance: Scott McGlashan, Scott Gallagher, Loralynn Wilbur, Kathy Thomas, Dana Hendricks

Other Attendees: Stephan Fjelstad, Dan Douglas

6:03 p.m. Meeting called to order by Twila Schamer.

Finance Report

- The association had \$5,071.24 excess cash which had not been obligated as of 12/31/06. The money should be moved to reserves.
- **Motion:** A motion was unanimously passed to transfer the \$5,071.24 into Reserves.
- The main transfer for 2007 to Reserves of approximately \$22,000 has been done.
- As of January 31, 168 homeowners had not paid their 2007 assessments.
- \$10,000 has been received from two delinquent accounts.
- **Motion:** A motion was unanimously passed to have Andrew McAllister conduct the annual audit.

Communications Committee Report

- January's meeting minutes were approved by e-mail.
- Letters will be sent to homeowners with perimeter fences (along 148th and Puget Park Drive) regarding necessary repairs so that the pressure washing and staining can be done this summer.

Operations Committee

- Two lights were painted over in Sherwood and there was some graffiti at Puget Park Drive and 148th. Both were temporarily repaired by a volunteer.
- There are holes in some sidewalks from the Verizon work that was done over the last few months. Tom has talked with the county. The holes need to be fixed to county specifications. Meanwhile, the holes have been temporarily filled. Tom will continue to work with the county/Verizon for resolution.
- The county will send a street sweeper at our request. In order for the street sweepers to clean the streets, cars need to be removed from the street and brush must be cleared 14 feet vertically from the curb. The board discussed having this done after July 4, and also mid-November. Homeowners will need to be reminded.

- Mondo Pond has been cleared. With volunteers, we will be able to keep this area clear. The Dept of Ecology is coming for a final inspection and to discuss maintenance. Land Tek will give a bid for annual mowing of the area.
- A homeowner would like to see new play structures for Dino Park. Due to more urgent issues, this has been tabled. The homeowner was given permission by the board to remove from the park a plastic structure which is falling apart.
- Total Landscape repaired the soccer field damage. The board discussed putting a chain link fence around the field to keep cars out. The board also discussed the possibility of turning the soccer field into another common area.
- Volunteers will get together; weather permitting, to remove graffiti from some additional fences.
- A mailbox hutch in Pembridge is damaged and will be repaired.
- A homeowner has asked if we could have a blue mail drop box installed in our area. The postmaster says no, but Tom is looking into having the gray lockbox stations to replace the mailbox hutches.

Landscape Committee

- Dan (arborist) has checked all but two of the individual trees homeowners have reported as dangerous. These were between Thornbury and Vintage and were unable to be accessed.
- Dan has found 30 trees that need to be removed and has put them out to bid.
- A homeowner has possibly removed trees without permission. Roger to contact the homeowner to find out.
- Major tree project – removing trees in the tracts between Canterbury/Canterbury Heights, behind Canterbury Heights, and between Thornbury/Vintage.
 - Dan has determined that the trees are a major problem in tract 503 (Canterbury/Canterbury Hts). None of these trees can be saved due to poor soil which doesn't hold the trees well and several pockets of root rot.
 - Tract 503 trees are marginally salvageable; Dan will get bids for removal and logging.
 - The trees in Tract 603 (Thornbury/Vintage) have 3-4 root rot pockets and many of the trees need to be removed. This area will be difficult to log.
 - Dan found one concerning spot in the area behind Canterbury Heights. These are large trees, but not as likely to cause damage as others.
 - The board's main concern is safety and will remove dangerous trees as required.
 - Next steps: Dan will create a report for tract 503. He will check tract 603 which he has permission to access through a homeowner's lot.
- A homeowner asked if downed trees in an NGPA can be removed. Dan thinks that he can get permission from the county.
- Eight homes are exposed to dangerous Silver Firs I trees. Dan will check the trees. We need to document this and notify Silver Firs I of danger.
- Total was seen blowing trash into dam area and sides of trails. Roger talked with Total and they will walk all trails and pick up all garbage at no charge this one time only as it is not in their contract.
- A homeowner reported that Total left downed trees. Total to pick up at no cost.

- Sprinklers in common areas will turn on in April for backflow tests. There may be broken lines from the Verizon work that has been done.

Rules/ACC

- Rules
 - We need a process for rechecks. It is difficult for committee members to continually recheck violations.
 - The board discussed sending a rules violation letter stating that the homeowner needs to correct and notify the rules committee that the violation has been corrected. The violation letter will need to be revised.
- ACC
 - A homeowner wants to remove small trees in backyard which is fine.
 - A homeowner has trees in their yard which need to be removed due to root rot. OK to remove.

General Board Business

- Twila and Roger to talk to a homeowner who is delinquent and has several violations, to devise a plan to bring lot to compliance and payments current.
- Security – The contact that the board had for hiring off-duty officers for security is not returning calls. A homeowner suggested contacting the Officer's Guild for Snohomish County to arrange off-duty security.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Executive Meeting followed until 8:50 p.m.