

Countryside South Homeowners Association Board of Directors Meeting

Monday, May 23rd, 2016

The meeting was called to order by President Jim Moore at 7:08 PM. Board members Jim Moore, Rich Larsen, Delia Thompson, John Mattson, Tom Mastel and Drew Anderson were present. A quorum was reached. Also in attendance were CSS residents Rich and Kristin Marsh, Patrick and Wendy Honeycutt, Camille Martin, and Karen Ellison.

Drew Anderson read the minutes from the April 25th, 2016 meeting. Tom moved to accept the minutes. Rich seconded and the motion carried.

Delia Thompson read the Treasurer's Report. The grace period for 2016 HOA dues has ended, so a \$25 late fee was added to 6 homeowner's accounts. One homeowner paid after receiving the new statement, which leaves 5 homeowners who have not paid. Two deposits were made in May totaling \$4,930. Rich moved to accept the Treasurer's Report. Tom seconded and the motion carried.

Old Business:

The Countryside South neighborhood garage sale will be held June 11th from 8 am-1 pm. Signs for last year's sale were purchased at Dakota Party. John will have new signs made this year as the sale will be held in June instead of May. John will also place an ad in the newspaper Friday and Saturday. Rich has already ordered the dumpster for the sale. It was rented from Keifer Sanitation, as they bought out Red River Waste, who provided the dumpster last year. The cost will be approximately \$713.

Croell has requested a permit from the DENR for a well accessing the Deadwood Aquifer that could negatively affect other wells. Rich Marsh pointed out that our water from Colonial Hills Sanitary District comes from the Madison Aquifer and the proposed well should not affect us.

Jim clarified a point from the March meeting regarding mowing. Loren Geske had stated that the prices would not go up this year. The price for more frequently mowed areas 1-9 did go up slightly, but the larger, more expensive areas will not be mowed as often, so the total price will not go up this year and should actually go down.

The board's insurance agent did clarify that board members are covered by liability insurance up to \$1 million per occurrence. It was suggested that the board get clarification on liability coverage before changing/adding any playground equipment.

The CSS Facebook page currently has 74 members. The page has been getting resident input for the playground upgrade and the upcoming garage sale. Also, people are attending HOA meetings because of the Facebook notifications. It was suggested to post a message asking residents wishing to dispose of items during the garage sale to place them in the dumpster, not beside it.

New Business:

Kevin Kloster has volunteered to serve on the CSSHOA board. He was unable to attend tonight's meeting, but hopes to be at the June meeting.

The playground upgrade was discussed. Jim read a list of suggestions from residents and their children for the playgrounds. (See attached page.) He also mentioned that there may be more money in the budget for upgrades than the amount budgeted. For the time being, the board will continue with the \$17,000 budget, but could be open to increasing it. The possibility of doing this project in stages over the next couple of years to spread out the cost was also mentioned. Suggestions from residents in attendance included changing out the existing equipment to commercial grade plastic equipment that requires less maintenance. The lack of lighting at the picnic shelter was discussed. There are lights in the shelter itself and one large light on the outside of the shelter. They are all not working at this time. The Marshes, who live next to the shelter, would be in favor of fixing the light, as it would illuminate the area better and perhaps keep kids from vandalizing it. Rich Marsh has yelled at kids throwing rocks onto the roof of the shelter in the past. The board will tour the playground and picnic areas at the conclusion of tonight's meeting for further discussion.

Architectural Control Committee:

The ACC received numerous requests this month. Mike and Cassie Severson of 8228 Daisy Ln wish to replace their deck, put in a fence, add a fire pit and change the color of their overhead and front doors. They have a permit from the county for the deck. The board has nothing to do with fire pits. Kyle and Jennifer Johnson of 5569 Barberrry Cir plan to paint their front door and install new lights. Lavern Haas of 8299 Countryside Blvd has an issue with his septic system, but the board has nothing to do with septic systems either. David and Stephanie Bushman of 5604 Blue Stem Ct requested to add a pergola and filled out the Elements of Harmony worksheet. Jonathan and Jeannie Vogel of 5526 Blue Stem Ct have a drainage issue, which is a concern of the Road District. They have not been able to hook up with Dave of the Road District yet. Brandon Keyser of 5307 Conifer Ln submitted a request to paint his house a darker grey. Tom is waiting on a color sample. Tom moved to approve all requests, pending a paint sample for Mr. Keyser. Rich seconded and the motion carried.

At 7:54 PM, the board went to tour the two playground areas and the picnic/volleyball area, with the meeting continuing at the picnic shelter. Adding more equipment to the playground areas

while fixing up the existing equipment was discussed, as was replacing the existing equipment entirely and trying to sell the old equipment. The board decided to convert the sand volleyball court into a new playground geared toward younger children. The picnic shelter is centrally located in the neighborhood and has a parking lot, which makes it very accessible. It would be a great place for parents to be able to sit in the picnic area while their children played in the existing VB court. Tom made a motion to have Loren Geske paint the picnic shelter and tables, have an electrician look into what it would take to get the lights working again, have the weeds sprayed at the playground off of Countryside Blvd, and move forward with looking for additional equipment (monkey bars, merry-go-round, etc) for the existing playgrounds. Rich seconded and the motion carried.

Tom moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:02 PM. Rich seconded and the motion carried.

The next meeting will be Monday, June 27th, 2016 at 7:00 PM at the Whispering Pines Fire Station.

Respectfully submitted,

Drew Anderson, Secretary

COUNTRYSIDE SOUTH HOA KIDS (MOSTLY) PLAYGROUND INPUT
Through May 23, 2016

Requests from e-mails and letters:

Merry-go-round
Monkey Bars
Really cool slide
Splash pad
Rock Wall
Zipline
Twisty slide
Tire swing (now too low)
Baseball field by volleyball court
More than 3 swings
New basketball hoop and net
Basketballs
Climbing spider web dome
Bars so we can do more tricks
More than one slide
Lots of swings
Infant swing seat
Teenagers want volleyball court converted
to a tennis court
Forts
Monkey bars
Metal equipment with swings and bars
Slides
Balance bar
Fire Pole
Useable tire swing
Extended playground area
Two different playgrounds for each location

Requests from Facebook:

Different ground covering
What's our budget?
Commercial plastic set like schools and
parks
Monkey bars
Big slide

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Requests from Facebook continued:

Swings
Big tires
Basketball court
Monkey bars
Longer slides
More elaborate equipment with towers and
slides

Definite negatives mentioned:

Get rid of tires
No mulch

Definite positives mentioned:

Like big tires
Like rocks
Like swing bar with handles
Like tire swing below the playhouse
Keep gravel (pea gravel)

Parent concerns mentioned

Fear of snakes hiding in the rocks
Weeds and broken glass
Budget

Parent suggestions

Put up signs -- No glass bottles
Trash cans
Lighting
Bench seats for parentsw

