## Countryside South Homeowner's Association Meeting Minutes April 24, 2023

The April 24, 2023 Meeting was called to order by Vice President Dave Daly at 7:08 PM. Dave Daly, Jim Moore, Delia Thompson, Karen Ellison and Mike Briggs were present. Eric Baker, Andrew Wipf, Alan Plummer and Adam Wegner were absent. Officer Steven Stewart from the Pennington County Sheriff's Office texted Jim Moore that he had planned to attend but was not able to make it tonight either.

**The March 27**<sup>th</sup> Minutes were read by Secretary Jim Moore. Delia Thompson made a motion to accept the minutes, Dave Daly seconded. The motion carried.

**Delia Thompson** read the Treasurer's Report indicating we have a total of \$75,369.90 inclusive of all accounts. 163 of the 183 Homeowners have paid their annual dues as of last Friday. Delia had opened the CD Account we spoke of earlier and transferred \$30,000.00 from the Money Market Account. She also explained how we somehow received an \$11.88 refund from the IRS. She has paperwork in place for Dave Daly to be an authorized signatory on the Checking account as we have no President at this time. Delia spoke with the Storage Facility about sharing her storage space with the HOA and splitting the bill. She was able to arrange for the HOA to pay at the rate of \$40.00 per month. Jim Moore motioned to accept the Treasurer's Report, Karen Ellison seconded, the motion carried.

**ACC Reports:** Eric Baker e-mailed in he has nothing to report.

## **Old Business:**

Mowing: Jim Moore and Dave Daly walked the mowing areas with Monte from Aspen Ridge last Friday and am expecting their bid momentarily. Jim is expecting to hear back from Carefree Lawn and Sprinkler but hasn't yet. Jim Called Warne Chemical and G. J. Halsworth and was told that Warne Chemical does not do mowing and that G. J. Halsworth is not taking any new customers at this time. Jim, who is working on a Newsletter, will include a mention to the neighborhood that we are accepting bids for mowing till May 10<sup>th</sup> and if any residents would like to consider making a bid they can contact Jim Moore for details. Karen Ellison will mention this on Facebook as well. Dave Daly will be submitting a bid and will abstain from voting and also will be excluded from bid amounts from other bidders. Jim Moore will head the selection process and will monitor an e-mail HOA Board Member vote hopefully May 10<sup>th</sup>. We need the selected bidder to be a legal business with adequate liability insurance. We would also like the selected bidder to be open to helping with other community projects, like tree trimming, possibly snow shoveling, fence repairs, picnic shelter and playground maintenance, painting, debris disposal, etc.

**Member Recruitment and Need for a President:** We again discussed the need for a President. Jim Moore will include a plea for a President in the May Newsletter he is putting together.

## **New Business:**

**Newsletter:** Jim Moore is working on a Newsletter and hopes to have it in the mail this week. Included will be a request for a President, results of the Stacker Report, a request for mowing bids, something about feeding the deer, safety in the neighborhood, etc, etc, etc.

Accident in the neighborhood: We were expecting Corey Walter from Daisy Lane to come to the meeting to discuss a recent skateboarding accident that happened at the end of the bike path that comes out on Daisy Lane by the huge Juniper bush, but he did not show up. Several of us have looked at the large shrub and believe it to be a safety concern and we wish to remove it to help prevent future incidents. Karen will contact Mr. Walter to discuss this further.

**Mike Briggs** mentioned that when the Firehouse Renovation is completed, they will be having some dormitories for fire personnel use. This may cause a conflict in our ability to hold meetings at the Firehouse. Mike will look into this further.

We had a group discussion about possibly having a Monthly Meeting at the Picnic Shelter early this summer in hopes of getting neighborhood attendance. It could be a picnic style, or an ice cream social event or something to get the neighborhood involved. Although we are probably bound by the laws to have a formal Annual Meeting the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of November, we could still possibly make a policy to have a **summer update** meeting as the monthly meeting in June or July each year inviting the neighborhood and report our years-worth of accomplishments and future plans. We're thinking summer is a much better time to expect decent attendance. We could lobby for officers at that time, too. We would have collected our Annual Dues and have the Garage Sale behind us and have the parks and bikepaths looking great. We will continue this discussion next month. Seems like a great idea.

**Since we** have no President right now Dave Daly, as VP, says he will put together the monthly agenda at least 4 days in advance and get to Karen to upload to Facebook to encourage neighborhood attendance.

**Adjourn:** Karen Ellison made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Mike Briggs seconded. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 PM.

Next Meeting is May 22, 2023, at 7:00 PM. Eric Baker will be unavailable for the next meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Jim Moore, Secretary