## Countryside South Homeowners Association Board of Directors Meeting Monday, April 25, 2016

The meeting was called to order by President Jim Moore at 7:03 PM. Board members Jim Moore, Rich Larsen, Delia Thompson, John Mattson, Jean Mattson, Jody Jarding, Tom Mastel and Drew Anderson were present. A quorum was reached. Also in attendance were CSS residents Dave Doyle, Tom Schumacher, and Karen Ellison, who are members of the Countryside South Road District.

Drew Anderson read the minutes from the March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2016 meeting. Rich made a motion to accept the minutes, which Tom seconded. The motion carried.

Delia Thompson read the Treasurer's Report. To date, 27 homeowners have not paid 2016 dues and 3 others paid less than \$145. These homeowners have been contacted. A lien has been placed against Mr. Doolittle's home at 5472 Barberry Circle for not paying his 2015 homeowner dues. \$16,380 worth of deposits were made in April for HOA dues. A check for \$639.37 was received from the SD State Treasurer's Unclaimed Property Department. It was payment for a car accident that damaged the HOA's fence along Sheridan Lake Road in 2009. The original check was not cashed at that time and the insurance company turned it over to the State in 2013. It was deposited into the Money Market Account. Property taxes were paid in April. Tom asked if the electric bill was always as high as it has been. Looking back at previous years, the bill appears to be in line for this time of year. Tom moved to accept the Treasurer's Report. Rich seconded and the motion carried.

## **Old Business:**

Delia presented the budget for 2016. Tom moved to accept the budget. Rich seconded and the motion carried.

The Road District was in attendance to discuss the new street signs. The reaction from the neighborhood has been very favorable. The cost of the signs at the moment is \$15,302.27, which is in line with the estimate. The board is responsible for 40%, while the Road District will cover the remaining 60%. The board had agreed to be responsible for changing light bulbs in the new lights, however the bulbs cannot be replaced. The Road District did purchase 3 extra lights and poles to replace any that burn out or are damaged. It was determined that Doubletree Rd and Rockcress Ct are currently spelled as 2 words on the signs, but their legal descriptions with Pennington County are one word. Five new signs will be ordered to replace those signs and will be installed when they are received.

The board has decided to include the complaint form in the upcoming HOA newsletter and have it added to the website. The board will not implement a fine system at this time.

The playground upgrade was again discussed. Tom will call Aspen Ridge tomorrow to ask about fixing the existing equipment. The volleyball court is missing a net and the border and sand are in bad shape. The picnic area is in need of general maintenance, paint and the lights do not work. The board agrees that improvements are needed in these areas. Jim will ask for input from residents, especially those with kids, about what they would like to see done to these areas. Karen Ellison will also solicit input on the CSS Facebook page. The board will further discuss the matter next month after receiving this input.

The CSS Facebook page currently has 63 members. The agenda for each board meeting is posted and an invitation is sent to each member. One resident asked about posting a notice on the page about a meet and greet this resident was having at her home for a school board candidate. The board agreed it did not want to show favoritism to any candidate and to not post the notice.

The Pennington County Commission approved the appeal of Croell's construction permit for the Perli Pit Quarry and the proposed expansion of the pit is currently not allowed.

Delia called the board's insurance agent to ask about coverage for individual board members, but he has not called back. The board's policy does include language that states members are covered up to \$1,000,000.

Jim went over the mowing contract with LTG Services and renumbered some of the areas to be mowed to better detail which areas are to be done at what times. Tom moved to accept the revised new contract. Rich seconded the motion and the motion carried.

A resident on Bitter Root Ct contacted the board about teenagers walking on her retaining wall between her house and her neighbor's. They were throwing rocks in the direction of her house and did not stop when she yelled at them. She called for her husband and they ran away. The board suggests any residents call the police if they have vandals on their property.

## **New Business:**

The board will be sending out a newsletter in May. Some items that will be mentioned include barking dogs, kids input for the playgrounds, possible upgrades to the volleyball court, the complaint form, Elements of Harmony form, the upcoming yard sale, no political signs allowed in the neighborhood, the CSS Facebook page, Croell update, Sheridan Lake Road construction update, vandalism, dues, and a call for new board members, as the board will soon be losing 2 members.

The Road District discussed the status of roads in CSS. The streets are usually cleaned three times a year. The roads are in good shape for chip sealing at the moment, but they will be doing some crack sealing soon and will fix cracks as they go. They have had discussions with the person they purchased the trees and bushes along Countryside Blvd last year. Not one tree or

bush grew. The Road District is hoping he will replace the trees, but the Road District will get them replaced one way or another.

Jim received a phone call about a truck parked on the street and sent a letter to the homeowner regarding not parking vehicles in the street overnight.

## **Architectural Control Committee:**

The ACC received a request from Mike and Cassi Severson, but Tom has not had time to look at it yet.

John moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:47 PM. Tom seconded and the motion carried.

The next meeting will be Monday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2016 at 7:00 PM at the Whispering Pines Fire Station.

Respectfully submitted,

Drew Anderson, Secretary