

Belden Woods HOA Meeting

June 26, 2021

Meeting called to order 4:10 PM

We have a quorum of 21, including attendees and 8 proxies.

In attendance:

Becky & Bo Carneal
Brian Taylor
Warren Burger
Pennye & Jeff Epperly
Jim Hutchins
Linda Erickson
Millie Brown
Lee & Jenny Schneider
Jeff & Pat Povtak
Sara England
Judith & Roger Budner
Charis Parr
Tim & Jeep Krohe

Committee Reports:

- **Architectural**, led by Pennye Epperly
 - Update on Schneider house: Jenny Schneider informed attendants that they started with new builders, Omnibuild, in January 2021 and progress is being made. Unfortunately, they have experienced minor delays due to Covid-related manufacturing and shipping delays as well as delays in being able to schedule sub-contractors because the construction industry is so overwhelmed. Pennye Epperly expressed concern about theft with materials being left in open garages. Jenny explained the materials are for drywall installation, which will begin in a couple weeks.
 - Reminders to read our covenants and restrictions. Please complete the Architectural Review Request and contact Architectural Committee or Board members with any questions regarding construction/renovation on lots or homes.

- **Maintenance**, led by Tim Krohe
 - We have 6-7 mows scheduled for this season.
 - We have mulched and replaced lights at the Belden Woods sign.

- We are getting contact information from Bob Olsen because street maintenance and downed trees on the VDOT right-of-way are VDOT's responsibility.

Budget, led by Brian Taylor

- Our current funds are \$21,000. We have money in reserves due to the lack of spending in 2020 but need to keep a certain amount in escrow for emergencies. If we continue to maintain an excess of funds, we can possibly re-evaluate yearly dues.
- Insurance went up due to insurance we are required by the state to carry.
- Switched from Quickbooks to Quicken to save cost on yearly renewals.
- There was a motion to approve the current budget. It was seconded and approved unanimously.

Nominations and vote for Board of Directors, led by Becky Carneal

- Becky Carneal was nominated and voted in as President.
- Tim Krohe was nominated and voted in as Vice-President.
- Brian Taylor was nominated and voted in once again as Treasurer.
- Millie Brown was nominated and voted in as Secretary

Status of future internet services, led by Becky Carneal

- Franklin County has approved Blue Ridge Tower to erect a tower at Windy Gap Elementary and to place a relay tower in our neighborhood, either at WGMV water tower or behind the pavilion. They say it will be up and running by October 2021.
- Briscnet has been awarded the contract by Franklin County to be the service provider.
 - They will run fiber optic cable along the right of way at no charge. They will run fiber optic cable to each home, only with homeowner's approval. If the homeowner agrees at the start of the project, there will be a nominal fee. If the homeowner decides at a later date to run cable to their house, the cost will be higher. After cable is laid, internet service will be provided on a month-to-month basis and can be cancelled at any time.
 - We will be eventually asking homeowners who is interested in the initial project of running the service to their homes. The idea is that the more homeowners who sign up at the beginning, the less the cost will be.
- Roanoke County has agreed it makes sense to provide the initial community service to our Roanoke County residents. They will use money from the CARES act to pay for it.
- Linda Erickson inquired what residents should do if they are currently happy with their internet service. Becky and Brian explained that to have the cable run to the house now will be more cost effective than to do it later AND that it will

increase the value of their home. It can always be installed later, but at a higher and, at this time, undetermined cost.

- Verizon DSL will be ending at some point. New Verizon DSL is unavailable and existing DSL cannot be transferred to new owners if a home is sold.
- Brain stated that Elon Musk's Starlink satellite internet may soon be available.

Meeting adjourned at 5:07 PM