

Belden Woods Estates HOA Board Meeting December 15, 2021

Meeting called to order at 6:11 p.m. at Becky and Bo Carneal's house.

Attendees:

Becky Carneal, President
Tim Krohe, Vice President and Maintenance Committee
Brian Taylor, Treasurer
Millie Brown, Secretary
Pennye Epperly, Architectural Review Committee
Bo Carneal, Architectural Review Committee

Internet Update:

Great news! Proposed project completion is 18 months.

You may read the full article from The Roanoke Star by clicking on this link.

<https://theroanokestar.com/2021/12/14/roanoke-county-receives-four-vati-broadband-grants/>

Here is an excerpt from that article:

“The County partnered with internet service providers to leverage more than \$7.7 million to improve broadband connectivity throughout the County. **Roanoke County and Shentel** will leverage \$510,000.00 to build fiber broadband to 213 unserved locations and achieve universal coverage in Roanoke County when combined with other projects. **\$490,000.00** of VATI grant funding was awarded for this project. In addition, Franklin County received a grant to fund a joint regional broadband project with Roanoke County that will connect 23 households in the adjacent border communities of Windy Gap Mountain Village (Franklin County) and Belden Woods Estates (Roanoke County).”

Architectural Review Committee:

Update on Schneider House: According to Ms. Lee Schneider, contractor had committed to working four days a week to complete the house. Front door has been installed. Columns have been painted. They are waiting for an electrical inspection before drywall is installed. Another update will be requested from the owner.

Update on Krohe Wall Project: Project has been completed.

Request for Tree Removal: A request has been made for removal of trees that may be a hazard to the house. Architectural Committee will review and advise homeowners of decision to approve or deny request.

Maintenance Committee:

Leaf Removal: Top Notch performed leaf pickup in November. There are still many more leaves along the roadway and there is enough money in the account to cover the cost of a second leaf pickup.

Entrance Sign: Tim Krohe noticed that the entrance sign is cracking and the board discussed whether sign needs to be replaced or repaired. Bo Carneal offered to make repairs to the sign.

Road Deterioration: Tim also noted that the road is deteriorating along the edge in many places. Becky advised that VDOT should be contacted to request road repair.

Budget Report:

Brian Taylor advised that he keeps a small amount in the checking account and the large amount in the savings account in order to accrue interest. At this time, there is \$17,000 in savings and \$1,000 in the checking account. Since we have not needed several grass cuttings and we have not been holding social events, there is extra money in the account.

Top Notch has not yet submitted their invoice for leaf removal. Brian has requested the invoice. It will be approximately \$1,800. The second leaf pickup will cost approximately \$600.

Calendar

The next HOA board meeting will be held in March. At that time, a date will be determined for the annual HOA meeting to be held in the spring. Hopefully, the weather will be nice and the meeting may be held outside, followed by a barbecue.

Discussion

In an effort to encourage more of our neighbors to participate in our meetings and social events, we would like to have a volunteer to head our Social Committee. We have several ideas for events and social networking. If you would love to volunteer, please contact Millie Brown and we can discuss ideas. Some of our ideas included having a walking group, a pig roast, a progressive dinner, a happy hour. Also, many of our neighbors play instruments; perhaps some of us (meaning you) can get together and play for the neighborhood. We have many outside areas that we can use to our advantage!

We are requesting that if you notice any unusual or inappropriate activity in the neighborhood or see unfamiliar visitors or vehicles parked, please report this activity to the police.

Meeting adjourned 7:11 p.m.