

Minutes of the HOA Meeting held 9/6/11

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Dick Thatcher, HOA President. Board members present were Thatcher and Treasurer Allison Cowert. Absent was Secretary Linda Blanchard.

Owners representing 17 homes from Birchwood were in attendance.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the maintenance of the "street trees," the need to replace 6 street trees, and to hear a presentation from Christine Chiarito, President of Big Yellow Services, for individual lawn care. Copies of the proposals were provided to all in attendance.

(Attached are the letter from HOA president Thatcher to the residents, and the proposals received from Big Yellow.)

After hearing the Big Yellow presentation, discussion ensued regarding whether or not the village should participate in the cost of the tree replacement. **The consensus was that the individual homeowners should bear the cost of the tree replacement.**

Discussion was begun regarding the LOP Fining Committee. The process was explained by Chad Stahlman, who is a sitting member of the Fining Committee, including the maximum amount of fines, and the placement of liens by the master HOA for unresolved issues and unpaid fines. After open discussion, **the consensus was that violations of the Master Development Design Guidelines would be henceforth handled by the Fining Committee.** A village walk-through, to be conducted by the residents of Birchwood Village, would identify all violations, and the list would be submitted to Janet McNealy of Greenacre Properties for further action. **It was anticipated that within a matter of days from the date of this meeting that the compiled list of violations, including trees, tree rings, lawns, mailboxes, house numbers and other infractions would be in the hands of Greenacre Properties for action. The Village will no longer pursue violations of the Master Development Design Guidelines, except to report the infraction. Nor will the Village make any attempt to remedy the infractions.**

The Walking With Randi program will continue on Wednesday evenings at 7PM. Everyone is encouraged to attend. Get some exercise, meet your neighbors, and enjoy the community.

Welcome to the Flores family, who recently moved into 20151 Bay Cedar.

Congratulations to Roger Jurey and Allison Cowert, who will be married on September 10th.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.