

HICKORY RIDGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
September 21, 2009

Chairperson Miles Coffman called the meeting to order at 7:30pm at The Hawthorn Center. Those present included John Bailey, Linda Hitzelberger, Tom Louden and Michelle Wood. Also present were CA Board Rep Gregg Schwind and Village Manager Jane Parrish,

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The agenda was approved.

APPROVAL OF AUGUST 17TH MINUTES: The minutes were approved as submitted.

RESIDENT SPEAKOUT: Susan Donahue asked if Gregg Schwind had looked into allowing residents to pay their CA assessment on a half-year basis. Mr Schwind did not yet have an answer on that issue. Ms Donahue also reported that a white van was parked on Green Meadow at Bare Bush and had not moved for two months. Ms Parrish said she would investigate. Ms Donahue also asked that background materials for agenda items be included in the agenda and minutes sent to the email group. Chairman Miles Coffman said that we would in the future.

RECOMMENDATION FOR SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE: The Village Board voted to recommend Kathy Braithwaite to the CA Board of Directors for membership in the CA Senior Advisory Committee.

1ST QUARTER FINANCIAL REPORTS: The Village Board reviewed and approved the 1st Quarter Financial Reports.

GUIDELINE ADDITION FOR NATURAL LAWNS: Mr. Louden showed the board a suggestion for adding guidelines regarding natural lawns and rain barrels to the Architectural Guidelines. The board asked Ms Parrish to pull together possible changes/addition to the guidelines and send out to the board for comments.

COLUMBIA BOARD REPORT: Mr. Schwind reported that the CA Performance Oversight Committee had placed on the September 24th Board of Directors agenda a recommendation regarding not retaining the services of a law firm that the Board determines to have a real or perceived conflict of interest. Presently CA uses Piper for its outside legal advice and the villages' covenant enforcement. Piper also works for GGP. The Village Board voiced its concerns about losing Piper after years of work with CA and the villages. No evidence of actual conflicts has been cited. The Village Board unanimously voted to have Mr. Coffman speak on its behalf at the Board of Directors meeting at CA on September 24.

CLARY'S TOT LOT EQUIPMENT: After taking into consideration resident opinion, the board agreed to select the following items for the Clary's LPP loop tot lot: large fort, a whirl, 4-seat seesaw, 2 spring cars and a play panel. Ms Parrish will notify CA's Denis Ellis regarding the choices.

MANAGER'S REPORT: Ms Parrish reminded the board members about the upcoming Family Night Bingo, Wine Tasting and Staff Appreciation Night. Mr. Louden said he would attend the Villages' Staff Appreciation event. Ms Parrish said she was pricing various speakers for the movie projector and a podium with sound system. The board voted to approve a total of up to \$1,500 for the purchases.

BOARD COMMENTS: Mr. Louden said he hoped to attend the Symposium on Civility on Oct. 8. Mr. Coffman and Ms Wood mentioned that the timing of the traffic light at Martin/Hickory Ridge has changed, allowing a longer time for the Martin Rd traffic but causing long backups for the Hickory Ridge Road vehicles. Ms Parrish will check with Public Works.

ACTION ITEMS: Ms Parrish will check the white van on Green Meadow, tell Public Works about the Martin Rd traffic light, prepare guideline change proposal for review, notify Denis Ellis re tot lot equipment selections, and submit approved financial reports to CA. Mr. Coffman will attend the September 24th CA Board of Directors meeting and testify.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 9:15pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Parrish
Village Manager