

## **Sturnbridge - Board Meeting - Minutes**

**Meeting Date:** August 8, 2023

**Minutes Issued By:** Dan Wendover

**Attendees:**

Justin Keziah	President
Randall Barber	Vice President
Jim Culp	Treasurer
Patrick Sahd	Communications
Dan Wendover	Secretary

**Unable to Attend:** Ricky Fry Parks

**Residents Attending:** Rachel Campbell

### **Discussion:**

- ***President's Report:***

- July minutes were approved.
- There have been several instances of mail theft in the neighborhood. Justin will talk to the community officers.
- While there are "No Soliciting" signs at the entrance to the neighborhood, a number of contractors ignore the signs and knock on doors to sell their services. Recently there was a tree service going door-to-door who was accused of stealing mail and harrassing a resident. Justin passed information on to the community officers.
- Justin will post on FaceBook from the Board account, asking for additional volunteers to join the Board.

- ***Treasurer's Report:***

- Treasurer's Report was provided, showing only routine expenses.
- Jim hand delivered dues reminders to those who have not yet paid the 23-24 Dues.
- Board agreed last month to conduct an analysis of the fixed, recurring, and committed costs vs. the expected annual income, to determine the balance of funds available for discretionary spending.

- ***Membership / Welcoming:***

- No discussion

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- **Social:**
  - Justin will make arrangements for BBQ for the Meeting and Picnic as those who previously organized the event are unable to do so this year.
- **Beautification:**
  - One plant has died at the South entrance. Randall will coordinate with Alley and Sue to arrange for replacement.
- **Park:**
  - Work on the courts is expected to start on August 21.
  - Justin cut up and disposed of the old landscaping timbers from near the South end of the courts.
  - Board agreed to remove the old play equipment, as it has aged and is of questionable safety. This play equipment is not part of the original “amenities” installed by the developer and required by the Decs to be maintained. It was relocated from further back in the park, and was left in place temporarily several years ago until the “new” playground equipment was installed.
- **Communications/Website:** No news.
- **Architectural:**
  - Shutters replacement at 4717 Meadowridge has been completed.
  - It was suggested that the Board propose and pass an amendment to the prior-established Guidelines, to add solar panels to the section restricting antennae and satellite dishes to not be visible from the street.
  - A chicken coop on Winburn Lane, which met the Architectural requirements of matching the house color, obtained a City permit.
  - 4625 decided not to install a rooftop solar system at this time.
- **Other New / Old Business:**
  - Art Rosenthal was advised that Duke Energy would be replacing the aged street light poles. No specific schedule was given. While replacement of all existing sodium vapor light fixture heads would be an expensive cost to the neighborhood, any old fixtures that fail in the future will be replaced with LED fixtures, changing the color of the light from orange/yellow to very white.

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