

Ashwood Homeowner's Association

Annual Meeting

November 15th, 2012

ROLL CALL

The meeting, held at the home of 2825 Ashwood Place, was called to order by Cora Bauer, President, at 6:40PM.

Directors present were: Cora Bauer, Brett Norton, Robin Moore, Brent Henderson, Patrick Norton, Amanda Palazzola, and Dave Whitehead. Brandon Firfer gave his proxy to Cora Bauer. Michelle Pickard gave her proxy to Robin Moore; she arrived to the meeting at 7:20 PM during the *Property Maintenance Committee Report*.

Neighbors present were: Chris Palazzola (Neighborhood Watch Chair) and Cathie Herman.

REVIEW/APPROVE MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes from the July 21st, 2012 meeting were approved. The treasurer's report was approved through November 15th, 2012.

TREASURER'S REPORT

As of November 15th, 2012, the Ashwood Homeowner's Association account had a balance of \$4,423.49.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Architectural Control Committee:

Cathie Herman presented the committee report. A household on Ashwood Place put up a backyard fence that can be seen from the street without getting it approved and without getting a permit from DeKalb County; the fence is also not on the home's property line. It was approved by the Architectural Control Committee after construction was complete.

As a reminder, please remember to have your external construction projects approved before you begin.

Any change to the front exterior of your home that can be seen from the street needs to be approved by this committee.

There is an Emergency Approval Process in place if such a situation arises such as a sudden roof leak, etc.

If homeowners are replacing an exterior element with the exact same color/type of material, then no approval is needed.

Community Enrichment:

No new residents since July 21st, 2012.

Neighborhood Watch

Chris Palazzola gave the Neighborhood Watch Committee Report. There were no recent break-ins in the Ashwood neighborhood or the Katie Kerr corridor. Chris will continue to update neighbors through emails if an incident occurs in the future. No recent news from Janine Hightower at DeKalb Police Department.

Website

We will put the new list of HOA Board Officers on the neighborhood website as soon as possible. Brett Norton recently had his house painted and highly recommends the company; and Patrick Norton recently had his roof fixed and highly recommends the company. We will put the name of these two companies on the neighborhood website.

Property Maintenance

Charles with Stain and Seal Solutions, a company with excellent references, is going to stain the fence. He will clean the fence with a cleaning solution first and then stain both sides of the fence. Officers voted to paint the fence medium-brown. Total Cost is \$1,901. Half of the total amount will be due prior to starting work, and half at completion of the project. Robin Moore will give these checks to Brent Henderson.

Matt from our landscaping company gave Michelle Pickard a verbal quote of a minimum of \$100 to clean out the overgrowth behind the retention pond side of the fence. Brent Henderson suggested a neighborhood clean-up day to save money. That will be tentatively scheduled for Saturday, November 24th starting at 9 AM-12 NOON. Brent Henderson will post a message about the clean-up day on Facebook, as soon as possible. Amanda Palazzola will put a notice on the front sign board, as well. The fence will then be stained the following week, if all goes as planned.

A new Crape Myrtle is growing where the previous one was destroyed to the left of the entrance to the neighborhood.

Several of the lights at the front of the neighborhood were stolen recently. We will consider replacing the lights at the front of the neighborhood with LED lights in concrete after our next round of homeowner's dues are received next Spring. Brent Henderson will check and make sure that none of the light bulbs need to be replaced at this time.

The most recent water bill was high (approximately \$417); Michelle Pickard spoke with Matt with our landscaping company and he was not able to identify a leak associated with the sprinkler system. Robin Moore will give a copy of the bill to Michelle Pickard to give to Matt to investigate the high bill.

ELECTIONS

Amanda Palazzola was voted in as the new secretary, with a three-year term ending in 2015. Cora Bauer is up for re-election in 2013. Robin Moore and Brett Norton are up for re-election in 2014.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business at this time.

SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING AND THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING

The next Ashwood Homeowner's Association Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 21st, 2013 at 7PM.