



Mill Creek South Homeowners Association
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BOARD MEETING MINUTES – JUNE 19TH, 2013

The meeting was hosted by Michael Wheelwright. Called to order at 7:07pm, adjourned at 8:26pm.

Board Present: Dell Erwin, Dave Segars, Mike Wheelwright, Doug Maldonado, John Hermsmeier, Carolyn Wicker, and Krista McMullen (Office Manager)

Neighbors Present: Jane Kamide, Chris Columbano, Heather Columbano, and Adele Wood

Events:

Summer Picnic – Thank you to everyone who attended and helped set up our Memorial Day Potluck!

MCS Playgroup – A request has been made for moms who are home during the day to form a playgroup. Please contact office@millcreeksouth.org if you are interested in joining. More information is to come.

Summer Movies – It has come to our attention that several board members have a projector and a screen, so movies could be played at the park at no cost to the neighborhood! Would this be something you would be interested in? What type of movies should be played? We will set a date for this event if there is an interest in the next month. Please email office@millcreeksouth.org with comments and suggestions.

Grounds:

Easy Access to the Playground – Doug moved that the Board remove the lock at the Arrow Wood entrance to the Playground, keep the chain hanging, remind the neighborhood to put the chains back, and monitor that the chain stays up when it is not being used. Carolyn seconded the motion and all Board members present voted in favor of this.

The Pond – In looking at the HOA's responsibilities in regard to our pond, some questions arose which require the Board to clarify and determine the facts and their resolution. The Board will continue to keep the community up to date on these issues and their resolutions.

Reforestation in the Common Areas – The reforestation is going well, but invasive exotic plants need to be removed in order for the forest to continue to be able to grow.

Architectural Review Committee:

Mailboxes – John moved that the Board send out a letter clarifying its role on mailbox maintenance. Michael seconded the motion and all Board members present voted in favor of this.

ARC Members – Dave Segars, board member and architectural engineer, has joined the ARC. He is offering a special deck inspection to Mill Creek South homeowners. The offer is limited to the first five that have a deck at least eight feet off of the ground. Please send him an email at dupy23@yahoo.com if you are interested.

Sign Landscaping – Thank you to the following who helped purchase and/or plant the annuals at the sign: Natalie Somer, Dick Somer, Adele Wood, Carolyn Wicker, and Dell Erwin.

Web Maintenance: It has been suggested that we add the following to our Mill Creek South website in order to make it more user friendly: an announcement section, a lend/borrow section, an easier to find referral/review section, an easier to find list of board members, and a list of local business owners in Mill Creek South.

Finances: We have \$20,456.84 in our operating fund and \$35,139.68 in reserves for a total of \$55,596.52.
Late Dues – Late notices have been sent and half have been returned with payment. Another notice will be sent with interest added. Please pay your dues if you have not already done so. They are \$85 a year and are due on February 15th of each year.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, July 17th, 7 to 9pm. Hosted by Carolyn Wicker, 1524 Stoney Creek Drive.
Survey – The survey asking the neighborhood what they want the HOA's role to be in regulating mailboxes and what should be added to the community (an example would be a pavilion) will be considered at the next meeting.

SPECIAL NOTES

Preventing Car Break-ins – We had a report that someone went into an unlocked car, rummaged through the car, and stole ten dollars worth of change. This has been reported to the police. The HOA Board has been in touch with the Albemarle County Police Department and they had the following tips for us to prevent future break-ins:

- 1) Make sure your car is locked.
- 2) Turn on your porch light or if you have pole lights along your driveway leave them on.
- 3) Take everything out of the car: money, change, electronics, GPS, even cups. If someone sees something in your car, they are likely to look for more.
- 4) Park your car in the garage, if you have one, and make sure it is locked.

Using Doggy Stations – It has come to the attention of the Board that some residents are not cleaning up after their pets. Dog poop has been found at the playground and in neighbor's yards. This is extremely disrespectful of the children who play at the playground and the people who take great care in keeping their yards looking nice. Please have the common sense and decency to clean up after your pet.