

Mill Creek South Meeting Minutes

7 June 2023

The meeting was via Zoom and was called to order at 7pm.

Present were: Mike Stone, Livi Stone, Carmen Trimble, Laurie Axford, Dell Erwin, Phillip Williams, David Brower, Karla Berger and Karen Davenport.

David Brower gave the treasurer report as follows:

The checking account balance is \$13,266.99 and the reserve account balance is \$23,421.96. As decided in a previous meeting, \$3,000 was transferred from checking to reserve on March 17, 2023.

Alex from Blue Ridge Tree Company has been paid and there are just the standard bills with nothing extraordinary at the moment.

Grounds report given by Karla:

Finch is mowing different areas on different days which makes it difficult to assess whether the job has been completed or not. David and Karla drove around looking at the common areas and some places were not acceptable. Karla sent Finch an email regarding this issue and has not had a response yet. If there is no response to the email by Friday June 9th, they will contact Finch again.

Karla would like to proceed with the seeding between the two doggie pots on the South side of Stoney Creek Dr. since there are steps to be done before winter. It was suggested that perhaps we should wait until the Biscuit Run work crew has completed their work and see what the area looks like. The County has stated that they will repair any damage they do to the area.

Karla had a technical computer problem and could not communicate with the rest of the group, so it was decided that we would address this issue in the next meeting in August.

ARC report given by David: It has been quiet in the last few months and there are some requests to remove dead trees by several homeowners. There have been requests for mailbox paint samples which have been taken care of.

Social report by Laurie:

Plans are being made for a Summer Picnic in the Park! Fun!! It is scheduled for July 9th and there will be a Kona Ice truck. It was decided that the HOA will guarantee \$175 in sales for the day. People will bring their own food and we'll provide lemonade and water. Laurie will use a sandwich board that David has to advertise the event. She is also going to have a corn hole game and some simple crafts and bubbles were suggested. We are going to put the information on the Avon Street Extended Facebook page regarding the time the Kona Shaved Ice truck will be at the picnic and invite the other neighborhoods to purchase Kona Shaved Ice. Also a big Thank You to Dell for making the Posters for our social events.

Phillip has kindly offered to try to work on our website so that we can update information and post the Meeting Minutes. He has been able to access the website but has not fiddled around yet..... Scott Cooper, who was managing the site previously has offered to help if needed.

The meeting was closed at 7:50pm.

The next MCS HOA meeting has been set for 16 August 2023 at 7 pm.

Several participants suggested that it would be good to have an in person meeting if possible. Since the schools and the Fire Department are still on Covid protocols, we will be looking for an alternate meeting place.

THANK YOU ALL!!!

Clean-up Day Notes

What 10 people accomplished was a major surprise. The Shady Grove fallen and cut-up tree is now gone and the grass can grow again. The guard rail on Stoney Creek was cleared at least a foot or 2 behind. We did more than just cosmetic trimming. The density of the invasive vine growth seemed to be double what it was last year.

The biggest project was tackling the tree and the huge nest of vines that were overhanging the 1745 mailbox (where the new long asphalt driveway was recently installed) This was critical because the growth blocked the view of any entering traffic on the left. The whole curve is now in complete view for anyone leaving MCS. This will also benefit those coming home as well. We were sure the owners would no longer recognize the place of their former mailbox..

We were finishing up at 11:15....everyone was well "spent" by then. We were getting ready to depart when the first drops of rain started falling. And within 15 minutes it became a beautiful "gully-washer.." We sure needed this rain! and the clouds that cooled us as we started.

THE 10 WORKER-BEES:

Cathy & Kirk Jacobs
Dick Summers,
Liv & Mike Stone
Dave Brower
Keith Nabb
Karla Berger
Roberto Kamide
Ondrei Riegl

The 2 RESIDENTS that distributed the "SAVE THE DATES"

Gay Longley
Cheryl Atkinson

Addition to Clean-up Day

We didn't have Jim Mason with his gigantic chain saw on clean-up Day. He had other commitments, But in May, he more than ever made up for this. He tackled for over 5 hours all the growth behind the guard rails. That is why you see a huge **vegetation-free** space behind the rails. He more than doubled the clearance we were able to accomplish on our official Clean-up Day. Now, re-growth will **not** be something we have to tackle this fall. Thank you, Jim Mason. Bless your Chain-Saw!

Roberto Kamide offered to plant wild-flowers in the area on Shady Grove where the removed fallen tree had been.

Deborah Riddick has volunteered to take over re-planting at our entrance sign. It was been cleaned up and weeded. She will tackle the replanting in the cooler fall.