

Archdale Civic Association
General Meeting
September 4, 2014

Meeting was called to order by Norm McDonald at 7:00 pm.

BOARD: Norm McDonald (P), Glenn Sweatman, Glenda Moore, Sharon Sanders, Ted Hucks

GENERAL AUDIENCE: Amount in attendance was not noted.

GUEST SPEAKER: None – Councilman, George Bailey, could not attend due to a scheduling conflict.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. Minutes from the June 5, 2014 General Meeting were not read as Dana Parker was not present. The reading of the June 5, 2014 General Meeting minutes will be deferred to our next General Meeting on December 18, 2014. At that time, both the June 5, 2014 and the September 4, 2014 minutes will be read.
2. Glenda Moore presented the Treasurer's Report.
57% of the 2014 Annual Assessments have been collected to date.
Checking balance was \$36,974.95 and Savings was \$7,525.64 for a total of \$44,500.59
 - Norm McDonald made note that the website expense is for 5 years and the expense would not appear for the next 4 years.
 - Questions were asked about the cost impact on the homeowners with the Stirling Forest sign replacement. Norm explained that it had a zero net as the cost was paid by the insurance company.
 - A question was asked about the budgeted amount of the home owner assessments being lower than the actual amount received. Norm McDonald explained that the budget was determined by the previous years' collection.
 - Someone wanted to know if we had the actual dollar amount of the delinquent assessments and the number of homes delinquent. The Board did not have that information available to answer the question.
 - Someone asked if the assessments were voluntary or mandatory. Norm McDonald stated that they are mandatory basically because of "common good" and the impact of the ACA's use and maintenance of Archdale Blvd.

- Someone questioned the frequency of the newsletter being sent out. Norm McDonald explained that only one (1) was sent out the 1st quarter along with the assessment letters. At that time he asked for email address for further newsletter to be emailed.
- Norm McDonald spent a good deal of time explaining the by-laws and requirement to pay fees. He discussed that delinquent accounts are being forwarded to the attorney's office for collections and lien filings, and the law firm's intentions to enforce the liens.
- Norm McDonald directed everyone to the MyArchdale.com website as it has good and useful information.

Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made, seconded, and unanimously approved by all in attendance.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Storm Water Drainage Project: Officially started on April 7, 2014 with road improvements at Archdale entrance. These improvements did not come from the \$250,000 budgeted for Archdale. Scottswood and Lewisfield are being worked on, the Old Dominion and Palmetto Bluff is next with a big storm drain going there. Norm McDonald explained the issues with the County Councilman and the County Administration Office and who is responsible for resolution of issues. Examples were given of the box being installed in the wrong spot at Scottswood and Lewisfield, and the filling in of ditches on Archdale Blvd. One was layered with rock and the other two (2) are lingering.
2. STIRLING FOREST SIGN: It is finished. There was a question about the lattice work at the entrance of the Stirling Forest. The Board could not give a time frame for that work to be done.
3. OAKS OF ARCHDALE SIGN: Repairs are finished with the sign. The shrubbery or bedding beneath the sign is all that is left.

Someone mentioned the ditch on Blue Ridge Trail flooding the yards when it rains. Norm McDonald said he was not aware of that issue. Someone asked about the weeds not being maintained at the ditch. Norm McDonald said he would discuss that with Congressman Bailey as he was also unaware of that issue. He thought the issues with the ditch on Blue Ridge Trail had been resolved.

4. FACEBOOK MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS AND ADVERTISING: Norm McDonald explained that advertising is forbidden. He explained that when you sign up for Face Book, you agree not to advertise and you cannot use a private page to advertise.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. VOTE IN NEW BOARD MEMBER: Ted Hucks was nominated as a board member. Motion to accept Ted Hucks as a board member was made, seconded and duly elected by all in attendance.
2. SPEED BUMPS/HUMPS-VOTE: Norm McDonald opened the floor for remarks to be made prior to taking a vote on whether the ACA wants the speed bumps or not. Remarks were made by the homeowner's in attendance for and against the installation of speed bumps. Norm McDonald opened the floor up to a vote – those "in-favor of" won by an overwhelming majority. A motion from the floor in favor of installing speed bumps was made and seconded.

FURTHER DISCUSSIONS:

- Joe Wagner stated he cleaned some neighborhood signs. Members in attendance thanked him.
- Norm McDonald stated that new reflective signs are coming.
- The homeowner at the Brookshire sign expressed his frustration with the owner of the Brookshire sign lot not wanting him to maintain the lot – there are broken tree limbs. Norm McDonald said that code enforcement should be called for that.
- Discussions were made about car break-ins on Blue Ridge Trail.

A motion was made to close, and seconded. The meeting was adjourned at **(not noted)**.