

The Arboretum News

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August Board Meeting

The regular board meeting of the Arboretum Community Association was held August 10, 2010 at the Arboretum Clubhouse. President Mike Gould called the meeting to order. Directors Toby Bronstein, Jim Czekalski, Bob Hittinger, and Vice President Shirley McGraw were present, as well as Treasurer Tom Kehoe.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as written.

Treasurer Tom Kehoe reported two outstanding assessments. The balances for the end of July 2010 were as follows:

* Operating fund \$45,045

* Long Range Fund \$66,847

Tom noted that the last payment on the bridge replacement was made for \$4,600. The second half of the transfer from operating funds to the long-range reserves was made. There currently

Upcoming Board Meetings

Board Meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at the Arboretum Clubhouse at 7:00PM. All Arboretum Community Association members are encouraged to come and make your voice heard.

* August: Tuesday, August 10th

* September: Tuesday, September 14th

* October: Tuesday, October, 12th

are twenty five unpaid second half assessments but the due date is August 16, 2010.

Committee Reports

- repaired the waterfall pump for about one third of the cost of a new pump. Owing to his slow time in the summer, Greenman spent a lot of time trimming shrubs and tree last month. There is a dying oak tree on Alyssum and dying weeping willow at the bridge pond that may have to be removed. The willow would probably be replaced. Toby Bronstein asked as to whether a willow should be the replacement. The answer is that there are several willows that have done well in the neighborhood.
- **CSS (Howard Newett):** Both Howard Newett and Jerry Johnson were out of town during the meeting.
- **Building and Grounds (Bob Ahlers): During** the mid-season irrigation check, one of the sprinkler heads was found broken and was replaced by the B&G crew. The B&G crew also replaced some of the clubhouse deck boards which they had previously purchased. The base for the white bench at the pond was completed in June. Jack Cowling discovered a broken spindle on the bridge. Apparently, someone tried to take a golf cart down the bridge walkway. Jack repaired the spindle. Bob asked Shirley to have Max McGraw touch up the paint. The sides of the bridge are for pedestrians only. The B&G crew plans to trim a number of the trees overhanging the streets the week before the fall landscape debris pickup. They have made arrangements to borrow the town trailer. Neighbors need to contact the B&G crew for any trees that

need trimming before that week. We need to make sure that the emergency vehicles can get past the trees. The B&G crew will replace several bridge deck boards in the fall. The cost is estimated at \$100 to \$200 in material. There also is a pothole on Alyssum that needs repair.

- Social (Bo Plant/Karen Walsh): Rich Walsh stood in for Karen. On September 18, the Social Committee will host a barbeque on the deck.
- Pool/Spa (Pat Wells): Owing to users not showering before going in, the water in the spa had to be replaced as well as a new filter put in. Showering before entry into the spa and pool is required by the Brunswick Health Department and the state of North Carolina. Pat wells and Jack Cowling put on the letters "ft" as now required in the pool. They also repaired the spacer for one of the pool deck ladders. Yea Jack!
- Caswell Beach Liaison (Jim Hinkhouse): Deborah Ahlers stated that the town has no meetings this month. The Phase 2 of the storm water project may be eligible for up to a \$60,000 grant. Deborah is going to update the application form 2008 and resubmit. Owing to utility lines in the way, the sewer is a slow go. The second crew should help. The Yaupon way boring started on Tuesday. Again there are utilities in the way. The contractor is still held to a January 31, 2011 completion date. The total cost to property owners is not yet determined owing to the grants are for specific items. So far, there is only one overrun for \$5,000 owing to boring under driveways.
- Architectural Review Board (Jay Ervin):
 Marti Hardy reported that the ARB approved a fence along the property line of 120 Alyssum and a tree removal at 203 narcissus Mews.

- Clubhouse Reservations (Bo Plant): Bo was out of town. There is a reception dinner planned for next Saturday.
- Clubhouse Manager (Rick Walsh): Owing to complaints about mildew odors, Rich has asked Rodney Briggs for a bid for a new vent and a separate bid for a new more powerful fan for the ladies bathroom. We will try the vent first.
- **Security (Bob Hittinger)**: John Wall stated we have had several instances with lights on and the spa cover left off. Homeowners need to remind their guests to mind the Arboretum rules in using the pool, spa, and clubhouse. There was no damage reported.

Old Business:

• CSS Asset Distribution: Mike Gould stated that Dan Wilkins, OGHOA President, has replied via email that they were not interested in arbitration concerning the treatment plant land. The Arboretum will wait and see what actions the OGHOA takes. He also mentioned that the IRS technicians have stated that CSS must report the sale of the collection system on the corresponding year's tax return. Based on the forms required, a thirty percent tax on capital gains could apply. Since the property was transferred to CSS at no value, the gain could be the total sale amount. CSS will need to hire a CPA or tax attorney.

New Business:

- Tennis Court Proposal: Shirley McGraw gave the following information regarding the tennis courts. There are basically three options:
 - 1. The cost to install new courts is approximately \$200,000. This includes demolition of the present courts, repairing drainage, clear cutting of the trees, and all components.

- 2. The cost to lay 2" 3" of asphalt over both courts is \$50,000 to \$60,000. Added to this cost would be a simple resurface cost of \$7,500.
- 3. Resurface the courts. Owing to the courts low usage, the vendor, North State Resurfacing, from Raleigh, who is doing courts for Oak Island and Boiling Spring Lakes recommended repairing cracks by filling, leveling high spots, and filling low spots, and applying a fiberglass matting with a Deco Turf surface coating. The cost to redo both courts as recommended would be \$12,750.

However, Max McGraw suggested and supplied a scale drawing of an alternative in that one of the courts could be replaced with a half-court basketball, paddle tennis, and shuffleboard courts. This option would cost \$18,200 plus approximately \$2,100 in fencing. She supplied a scale drawing of the "mini-sports complex version. She stated that the ACA board is desirous of input form their neighbors as to which direction they would prefer. There is \$29,500 of long range reserve money available for the resurfacing of the tennis courts. Bob Baginski stated that the basketball court may not be a good idea but other alternatives need exploration. Noise was a concern.

 Email Communication: Mike Gould stated that the ACA board is considering the use of email as part of the formal communication process. ACA members would have to request that they want email as their method of communication.

There was no other business so the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Mike Gould President Pat Wells shared this news from The Berry's (owner's of 208 Narcissus Mews):



This lovely young lady has been an

Air Force Brat all her life and told her friends her only true home was on an island in North Carolina where her grandparents lived. She had told her boy friend about a wonderful bridge that she always went to see when visiting in Caswell Beach. So early that morning her friend quietly asked her Dad for his daughter's hand in marriage and then made an excuse to visit the bridge from their rental in The Dunes. When they arrived he went down on his knee and asked her to marry him and gave her a beautiful engagement ring.. Then they went back to get Mom and Dad and ask for the picture you can see. When Sandy (her mother) told me about this great time, I asked her to send us the picture so that those of us who remembered this beautiful child talking about her Grandmother at the memorial service here on Oak Island could see how lovely she now is and what her future is going to be. I hope you all enjoy this story as much as I did and know what our lovely bridge means to so many families.

Engagement Announcement: Col. & Mrs. Buddy Berry are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Sarah, to Daniel Murphy, son of Mr. & Mrs. Carol Murphy of Centreville, Virginia. Sarah is the granddaughter of the late Harry & Helen Berry of the Arboretum. The couple were engaged at sunset on the Arboretum bridge, June 27, 2010. Sarah & Danny will marry July 2, 2011.

Sarah is a 2009 graduate of James Madison University, and is attending graduate school at the University of Virginia. Danny is a 2007 graduate of Temple University and is employed at Fedbid in Tysons Corner, Virginia.

AUGUST 2010

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