

Timber Farms Civic Association

General Meeting Minutes

November 17, 2010

I. Call to order

Bruce Lipphardt called to order the meeting of the **Timber Farms Civic Association** at **7:00 p.m.** on **November 17, 2010** in **Thurgood Marshall School**.

II. Roll call

The following board members were present: Bruce Lipphardt, Dave Frampton, Bob Oakes and Camille Dinon. Dave Schneider from the Maintenance Association was also present as was Representative John Viola.

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Camille Dinon read the minutes from the last meeting. The minutes were approved as read.

IV. Treasurer's Report

Bob read from the Treasurer's Report.

V. Open issues

Maintenance Association report given by Dave Schneider:

- Update on security cameras: The installation of the cameras has been delayed due to an issue with DelDOT. The work should begin before the holidays. The cameras will be positioned to take pictures of the back of and the license plates of vehicles leaving the neighborhood. Dave estimated that the total cost for the system should be about \$17,261. This is a little higher than the previous estimate. However, this is because of the changes made because of DelDOT. In response to a resident's question, Dave stated that the money to pay for this project will be coming out of existing funds and should not increase the maintenance fees paid by the residents.
- Dave mentioned that the Timber Farms entrance sign is back up after having had repairs/touch-ups.
- Snow removal: The Maintenance Association board is looking at snow removal contracts for this year. The November 2010 newsletter will have an update on this issue.
- There is an issue with a section of Post Oak Lane. A section of the road was torn up but has yet to be repaved. DelDOT sent a letter to Capano to inform him that the repairs need to be done by December 3rd otherwise his company would be penalized. Several residents voiced their concerns about the length of time it has already taken to have this work done as well as the debris that was left behind by the workers. Representative Viola discussed the issue and gave the update regarding DelDOT's involvement. The best thing to do is to wait and see if the work gets done by the date given and if not then contact Representative Viola.

Home decorating contest and new holiday event:

- Judging for the Home decorating contest will take place on Monday, December 20, 2010 starting at 6:00 p.m.
- Christine Verdi discussed her idea for a new holiday event this year. We will be having a sand art activity in the cafeteria of the school and cookies. The event is scheduled for December 13th from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Nominations for TFCA board:

Elections will be held on December 15, 2010 for the following two-year positions:

- President – Bruce Lipphardt was nominated for the position of President.
- Secretary – Camille Dinon was nominated for the position of Secretary.

VI. New business

- There were several residents who mentioned a desire to upgrade to solar power. Several questions were addressed to Representative Viola as well as Dave Schneider regarding legislation and/or the deed restrictions on solar power. It was suggested that perhaps someone could be brought in to our next Civic Association meeting to discuss the issue of solar power.
- One resident also mentioned using economies of scale to get discounts on home maintenance work by using our neighborhood e-mail to disseminate information regarding contractors who are doing work in the neighborhood.
- A suggestion was made to try to get one trash company for the whole neighborhood to take advantage of any discounts the company might offer.

VII. Adjournment

Bruce Lipphardt adjourned the Civic Association meeting at **8:00 p.m.**

Minutes submitted by: Camille Dinon

Minutes approved by: