

Timber Farms Civic Association

General Meeting Minutes

December 15, 2010

I. Call to order

Bruce Lipphardt called to order the meeting of the **Timber Farms Civic Association** at **7:00 p.m.** on **December 15, 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, Councilman Dave Tackett as well as Representative John Viola were also present.

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

Treasurer's report: Bob read from the Treasurer's Report. Membership is currently between 65-70%. Many residents continue to send in more than the \$25.00 membership fee.

V. Open issues

- a) Councilman Tackett spoke regarding updates in the neighborhood. He gave an update on the loud party that occurred on West Silver Fox. The police contacted the mother at the residence who was not home at the time to let her know what occurred. He also mentioned that common sense can deter some crimes such as locking cars and not leaving items in the car that would attract thieves.
- b) Dave Schneider gave the Maintenance Association update.
 - The light on the entrance sign was updated.
 - A contract for snow removal has been secured with a new company whose pricing is very competitive.
 - The price for the security cameras increased to about \$13,000 due to the specs dictated by DelDOT. The camera will be installed soon.
 - One of the retention ponds by Norwegian Woods is having an erosion problem that reoccurs every few years. Dave is trying to get the County to pick up some of the tab for repairs.
- c) Elections were held for the positions of President and Secretary, both 2 year terms.
 - Bruce Lipphardt was again elected as the President while Camille Dinon was elected as Treasurer.
- d) Christmas event:
 - The Annual Christmas House Decorating Contest will be held on Monday, December 20th at 6:00 p.m.
- e) Discussion on speed bumps on Timber Wood Blvd:

- Police have been used to enforce the speed limit. However, that only works temporarily.
 - Residents who live on the street are concerned about the speeding.
 - Bruce suggested sending out a survey to the residents regarding installing speed bumps on Timber Wood Blvd. that would go out some time in January 2011.
 - Dave Schneider mentioned putting up a mobile speed neon sign if we can get one.
- f) Officer Gladney from the New Castle County Police spoke.
- He mentioned that he has been watching a house on Holly Cove due to complaints from residents.
 - Also, regarding the speeders, he said that the speed trailer is being fixed. When it is fixed it should be coming to our neighborhood.
 - Officer Gladney went over the crime statistics report for our neighborhood for the last few months. He mentioned a gun violation from the wooded area, a DUI and a theft from a vehicle among other things.

VI. New issues

- a) Bruce mentioned a neighborhood-wide trash collection company. This issue has been raised before. However, there is no practical way to implement it.

VII. Adjournment

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

Minutes submitted by: Camille Dinon

Minutes approved by: