

Sherwood Forest Board meeting August 31, 2020

Location: 6303 Robin Hood Dr. Merriam Ks 66203

Present: Gary Reed, President; Jim Norris, Vice President; Bob Coleman, Treasurer; Dee Norris, Chair Island Committee; Directors: Anne Ninneman, Carol Eubank; Members: Sandy Rabinoff

Not in Attendance: Jake Culwell, Ashley Stambaugh, Jim Duggan, LD Chamberlain, Donna DeLeon

Meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm

Minutes: The minutes from the June 1 meeting were read. The following corrections were made:

Landscaping – The second sentence should read, “It was suggested that the grass area along the fence of the cul du sac be included in the lawn maintenance done by Angeles Lawn Care”

Financials: The second sentence should read, “Bob stated that most dues have been paid for the current year and residents who have not paid, have been contacted.”

The minutes were approved with the corrections.

Report of Officers:

Treasurer: The balance sheet was distributed to attendees. A copy can be found on the Sherwood Forest website. Bob reported that only a few residents use the ACH electronic payment for dues. He recommended this option be discontinued saving the HOA a \$5.50 monthly bank charge. He will inform the residents who use this option.

President: Gary thanked everyone who helped with cleanup during the Work Day July 18. He received thank-yous from various neighbors who received help.

Island Committee: Dee recommended that a decision on having Angeles Lawn Care take care of the grass area along the cul du sac fence be tabled until next spring. Appreciation was expressed to the Keen's who voluntarily mowed the area earlier this year. Planting of replacement bushes or flowers on the islands will be considered in the spring. Gary reported a red maple has been planted on the middle island. The cost of the tree will be reimbursed through the city's Island Grant program. Jim noted that Mel and Linda Spoerre continue to allow him to use their water to maintain the tree and plantings on the middle island. Appreciation was expressed for their generosity. It was noted that the black gum on the main island has some brown leaves and should be examined as to what is causing it. It was also noted that there is erosion below the entrance sign. A question was raised as to how it should be resolved.

Director Reports: It was reported that David Milliken (6332 Robin Hood Dr) passed away in August. Also, a former resident, Walter Murphy, (6321 Sherwood Ln) passed away in June. Our sympathy goes out to David's wife Marguerite and Walter's wife Denise.

Old Business: Gary reported that he has been unable to reach Angeles Lawn Care regarding his bid on replacement of the interior road signs that was approved at the June board meeting. He will continue to try to contact him and look for other possible options to complete the work.

New Business: Gary reported that wild animals, specifically, **coyotes and skunks** have been reported in the neighborhood. A pack of coyotes was seen in the backyard of a house on the east side of Robin Hood Dr. Skunks have sprayed several dogs in the neighborhood. **Reminder** - Watch your pets to keep them safe from predators. Do not leave food for feral animals or food for your pet unattended as this may attract unwanted and dangerous animals into the neighborhood.

The Board has been asked to remind neighbors that Merriam limits the **maximum number of pets allowed** per address to three dogs and three cats.

Merriam is planning to have its fall **Large Item Pickup** the week of October 19 through 23. Sherwood Forest is scheduled for Tuesday, October 20. More information can be found at:

<https://www.merriam.org/832/Large-Item-Pickup>

It was discussed that the neighborhood **email address list** needs to be updated . If your email needs to be updated or if you know of a neighbor who is not receiving HOA information, please let Bob Coleman know so he can get the list updated.

Questions were raised as to **rental restrictions** in Sherwood Forest. Further discussion was tabled for a later meeting.

The **annual HOA meeting** has been scheduled for **Sunday, October 18, 3:30 pm**, location to be determined. No food will be served as a precaution due to COVID. Election of officers will occur at the meet. If you would like to nominate someone for one of the officer positions, please contact Gary or one of the other officers.

A board meeting will be scheduled prior to the annual meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:33 pm.

Submitted by Carol Eubank, Director in Donna's absence