

Minutes of OHCA meeting of April 24 2007

Meeting opened at 740 pm. The minutes of the previous meeting, recorded by Louise Burke for Anne MacLeod, who was out of the country, were read and accepted.

Joanie Stone, Chair of the Community Property Committee, report on the committee's recent activities. Lighting is being improved in many areas. Stone noted that when community members see lights out, they can call BGE for prompt replacement of bulbs. The community clean-up was successful. The dumpsters filled quickly and it was evident that six were not enough. When the dumpsters were full, trash began to accumulate around them. Stone suggests better communication plus rules to prevent dumping of unacceptable items. Eyester observed that some contractors were using the dumpsters, which is unacceptable, and that rules concerning unacceptable material are printed on the dumpsters. Discussion suggests that the community may need dumpsters twice each year, and there were suggestions for closer monitoring of those using the dumpsters.

Stone reported that the project on signs is underway and that mosquito spraying is in the works. The truck sprays after 7:30 pm and can be turned off if a homeowner sends a notice requesting no spraying ahead of the scheduled operation. Stone reminded us of the May Day basket contest on May 1.

President MacLeod opened a discussion about security. Present security efforts are not satisfactory to many in the community. Calvin Kidd suggested researching other security systems. J. Merrick said that the police should circulate more. K. Burke said that the community's contract with the officers spells out their duties. Eyester said that the cars used should be marked. J. Butcher suggests looking into security cameras.

Bob Eyester reported for the Roads Committee. Creek Drive is on the maintenance list, for black top only, in the 1200 block. This does not include any extension of Creek Drive. A permit has been applied for.

Eyester offered a motion on the issue of conflict of interest on the Board. Several Board members own lots in the land beyond the present Creek Drive. The motion responds to concerns about their voting on the issue of extension of Creek Drive. It was seconded by Bob Holmes. Since there was no time for discussion of the motion, it was deferred to the next meeting for discussion and vote. Legal counsel will be requested before next month. The motion is attached.

Respectfully submitted,
Anne MacLeod
Recording Secretary