

Magnolia Valley Civic Association

March 13, 2001

The meeting was called to order by President Stewart Whitmarsh at 7:05 pm. Board members present were: S. Whitmarsh, President; Kathryn Mahan, Secretary; Nancy Schwartz, Michael Whitehead, Kay Schery, Dot Price, Harriet Prager. Also present were Past President Harriet Bregman and Jan Kratofil for the Magnolia Valley Newsletter.

S. Whitmarsh extended a warm welcome to residents in attendance: Warren Ronske, Sophie Collins, Helen Bulau, Kelley and Tony Cerna, Ed Bellici, Jay Atkins, Barney Knudsen, Sally and Joe Mulville, Barbara Burgess, Joe Durante, Lillian Frazier and Bill Davidson.

The minutes of the last meeting were read by Kathryn Mahan and approved as read.

Lois Summey was out of town so S. Whitmarsh summarized the Treasurer's Report, and reported approximately \$18,000 in the treasury with a large amount of this figure earmarked for expenses this year.

S. Whitmarsh opened with a summation of several items, as follows:

1. Some of the subdivision functions scheduled to be held in the park will be open to all residents. This is to try to entice new membership and interest in the association. Barney Knudsen, Parliamentarian, suggested that the by-laws need to be checked to be sure that this can be done.

2. Carol Aquilante had to resign as vice president because her job has become very involved and does not allow her enough time to hold a board position.

3. Terry White has taken the job as Deed Restriction Coordinator.

4. Sophie Collins is interested in starting a bridge club. Anyone interested contact her. Jan Kratofil will put a notice in the next newsletter.

5. Report on the park submitted by Rick Brewer was read reiterating that a chain barrier has been erected to discourage parking in front of the park entrance so mowing machines have access. Lechey Park has not been cut for quite some time and that will be looked in to. Some park benches are falling apart and they will be scheduled for repair.

6. A summary was given of the estimated expenditures for erecting the signs on the wall, a sign indicating the entrance to the subdivision park, plantings along the chain link fence at the water retention pond, lights for the entrance, and sprinkler system.

Questions were raised from the floor and addressed by Mr. Whitmarsh regarding the chain link fence along Betula and plantings and watering. Mike Whitehead offered some suggestions regarding possible plants to place.

Reports:

Block Captain: Nancy Schwartz reported that the newsletters had been delivered to the block captains for home delivery.

Deed Restrictions: Terry White was not available for report.

Newsletter: Jan Kratofil reported that she had many favorable reports on the last newsletter and that one memorial was sent out for Joe Sheehan.

Security: Mike Whitehead reported no major problems. Dot Price reported that several gazing balls had been stolen from yards and reported to the police, resulting in occasional night patrol by police cars.

Welcoming Committee: Dot Price stated that she, Kay Schery and Harriet Prager do need help welcoming newcomers to the subdivision. She has developed a welcome packet that includes the Deed Restrictions, an application for association membership and information on the valley. A new directory will be coming out sometime this year and will require cooperation from block captains and board members to create.

Magnolia Valley Women's Club: Nora Ford reported that the monthly meetings may be moved from MVGC Club House next year, and they do need donations of clothing, linens, household items, etc. to be donated to the women's shelter on Little Road. Call Nora Ford at 842-4991 and she will pick up if necessary.

S. Whitmarsh reported that he has contacted Mr. Nero by letter requesting that the Nero Builder sign be removed. Also, he reported that speed bumps are not allowed in subdivisions, no signs stating "Children at Play" are allowed, and a convex mirror at the Magnolia Valley Street exit cannot be allowed.

Discussion: Various items were mentioned from the floor for general discussion.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathryn Mahan, Secretary