

Olde Ivy Neighborhood Board Meeting December 15, 2020

The Board elected the following slate of officers (all were in attendance):

- Ken D'Anastasio, President
- Laura Dowling, Vice President
- Joe Winland, Treasurer
- Leslie Maddock, Secretary
- Rod Johnson, Member at Large

Brittany Pinto-Williams was present for Silverleaf.

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM and quorum was established.

The Board approved minutes of the previous meeting by email. The minutes were posted on the oldeivy.org website.

Financials

Our financials (covered in detail in a separate document posted on the website) are in good shape. Costs have been well-controlled, and our cash position shows a significant increase over the end of last year. Some planned expenses are still expected.

We received a check from the mini-storage company that more than covers the work needed to replace the brick pavers at the Beech Haven gate. This work is planned for the coming week, weather permitting.

Proposal to Repair the Damaged Retention Wall and Parking Lot Area

Hydrostatic pressure is deforming the retaining wall near the pool and causing damage to the nearby parking lot surface and curbs, as well as the nearby fencing. We have received the complete engineering report scoping out the multiple steps needed to repair this damage, and have sent the project out for bid. Since this repair is urgent, we plan to begin work as early as February.

Landscaping

Most landscaping projects for this year are complete. A remaining project is to relocate the pampas grass at the Log Cabin gate to another area where it will provide screening from the road. The grass will be replaced with tea olives and other shrubs to make a more elegant entryway.

Our attorney has reached out to the adjacent commercial property owners to get them to take some ownership of common areas and provide assistance for landscaping.

Holiday Decorations

Volunteers worked with Lance to put up holiday decorations around the clubhouse and on the gates. The Board is very grateful for the work and care that went into this effort.

Gate Security Cameras

Although wireless systems have been installed at both gates, some additional work is required to set up the interfaces with the security cameras. Several residents are

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working on this.

Conservice

Although some water meters and transmitters have been repaired or replaced, we still have some bad units. The repairman we have used has been out of the country. Brittany will research companies that provide this repair service so we are not dependent on a single, part-time individual.

Guardhouse

The “guardhouse” at the Beech Haven gate has been inspected and the interior will be cleaned. We will also refresh the exterior paint.

Neighborhood Light Poles

A resident took the trouble to survey all of the Neighborhood streetlights and found a number that were out of service. He reported them to Georgia Power, which has now repaired most of the units. Work on underground wiring issues for three poles will continue this week. The streetlight pole that was knocked down by the recent storm was a custom design. A replacement has been ordered, but a standard pole was installed temporarily.

The resident also surveyed and replaced all of the dead lighting around the Clubhouse. The Board is very grateful for the initiative and effort undertaken by this resident.

Walking Trail Bridge

The bridge on the walking trail was damaged beyond repair during the same storm. We have placed an insurance claim for the damage. The bridge will be replaced.

Red Curb Painting Project

The Townhomes Board is repainting the red fire curbs, as they continue to enforce the no-parking zones. The Board recommended that we also repaint the white separator lines in the blind curve areas.

Leasing Policies

Our attorney is developing a Neighborhood-wide policy on leasing issues, violations and fines, so the policies can be consistent throughout the Neighborhood.

Building Reps/HOA Area Captains

Ken would like to expand the concept of building representatives (used in the Manor) to other Olde Ivy sub-associations. It has been helpful to have volunteers for communication within the sub-association, particularly for repair, fire inspection and other projects.

Street Signage

Brittany will look into installing signs indicating street numbers ahead, particularly along Ivy Ridge Drive, which is very confusing to delivery persons and guests. For example, a sign with an arrow could read “4905 - 4955 Ivy Ridge Drive”.

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Fitness Center Reopening

Because of the widespread COVID 19 pandemic in Cobb County, the fitness center will remain closed.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 19 at 7:00 PM.