

Covington Country Club Estates Owners Association Monthly Meeting, September

Meeting Called to Order

The members present were: Yadi Mark, Bill Brugmann, Sylvia Leibe, Barbara Dodds Pat Festervand, John Burden, Pam Franke and Jan Martin. Tim Wolfe was absent. Cheryl and Roger Farris, a CCCEOA Past President, were also present.

Discussion about Mandatory Fees

Mr. Roger Farris, past president of CCCEOA, was present at our meeting to discuss his opinion on the procedure to make homeowner and property owner's fees mandatory. Miles and Yadi Mark had attended a presentation by one of the Board members of Riverwood Homeowner's Association to find out how they were able to pass mandatory dues for their neighborhood. Miles stated his findings. He said that it would require 51% of Covington Country Club Estates Property to make fees mandatory. He also presented an overview of the process of changing the covenants of Covington Country Club Estates. A letter will be mailed to inform all property owners that the Board will ask for their vote to pass mandatory fees. Members who vote would have to present their driver's license or some form of identification.

Financial Update

No more membership dues have been collected. There is still a vacancy on the Board for the Treasurer position.

Architectural Review

Pat Festervand stated that she will review the home under construction on 127 Bertel again. There is an outside staircase attached to one side of this house which makes it appear to be a two-family dwelling. Pat will also send a notice to the home owner on 118 Pine Street to make his property more presentable.

Beautification

Sylvia Leibe stated that the cost to cut two tree trunks and a dead pine tree at the neighborhood entrance will be eight hundred dollars as quoted by GEC Tree Service. The Board approved to have these trees cut.

Communication

Pam Franke stated that a newsletter will be mailed out the first week of October. She will also attempt to assemble a new directory for the annual meeting in January.

Social Update

The members agreed that it was too late to plan the social and garage sale for October. These events were cancelled for a later date since the Board members will be working toward passing mandatory dues. Mr. Tim Wolfe, our social chairman, was absent and will be informed of this decision.

Streets and Utilities

Mr. John Burden stated that there are still problems with drainage on Bertel St. and Tchefuncte Dr. The main problem in most areas of our neighborhood lies with each individual neighbor. Most drainage problems are due to the neglect of each neighbor to keep their frontage ditch free of leaves and debris. Pam Franke will place a reminder of this problem in the October newsletter.

Zoning

Barbara Dodds stated that the southeastern quadrant zoning maps of St. Tammany Parish are completed. Our area has not added any new commercial zoning... Our front lots are still zoned A-3 which is residential.

Mandatory Fees

Discussion was continued. Barbara motioned that we accept Miles' resolution to change the covenant to make dues mandatory. All members were in favor of the motion. A subcommittee was elected to work on this proposal and to send a letter informing CCC property owners. The members of this committee are: Bill Brugmann, Sylvia Leibe, Yadi Mark, and Pat Festervand.

Other Issues

Pam noted that a neighbor stated that some cars have been broken into on Willow Street. He asked if the entrance to that street from the service road could be blocked. Barbara stated that this would be a parish issue and could not be acted upon by the CCCEOA. Willow Street is also needed as an access route for emergency vehicles so the parish probably would not approve the proposal to block this street.

Our next meeting date will be Wednesday, October 22, 2008. Yadi set the date for the annual meeting on Sunday, January 25, 2009. We will have absentee voting for mandatory dues the week before the annual meeting. Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Martin

