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Meeting of May 8, 2017

Strawberry Knoll Elementary School

**Call to order:** A quorum was met and the meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm.

**Board members present:** Clyde Lutter, President; Raymond Custis, Vice President; Walt Kelley, Contracts; Steven Schuyler, Architectural Chair; Dave Nocket, Member-at-large; and Diane Winters, Secretary

**Homeowners present:** Tom O'Brien, Heda O'Brien, Loren Gomes, Tahivu Harge

The agenda was reviewed for the May 2017 meeting and was updated with changes and it was approved.

**Minutes from Prior meetings:**

- The March 2017 meeting minutes were reviewed and approved with changes. Diane Winters will make the changes and post to the Web site.
- Changes are:
  - 1) Remove "Patrol Towing" as the company that is contracted as towing company, and replace with the statement that the community will not patrol neighborhood parking lots for violations.

**Architectural**

- An appeal was sent from a resident who thought a fine was excessive. The homeowner has been non compliant, for several years, to architectural fines and improvement requests that have been mailed to him. The homeowner wants the Board to modify, reduce or eliminate the fine. The Board is not changing their position and feel that that based on the history presented the fine is reasonable.

**Financial**

- No updates

**Contracts**

- An arborist reviewed the old, red, maple tree on 9178 Centerway Rd. and said it was in decline. The tree has been removed.

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- Walt is exploring the option of a sign post to replace the missing sign post in the townhouse area. Walt will get the contact information regarding a previous sign company from Steve (Action).
- The smaller townhouse parking lot has a light that is out. Walt is requesting diagnostics of the damaged light from the vendor who fixed the light before (Action). The Board is authorizing spending of \$100.

### **Members Time**

Clyde Lutter, President, and Raymond Custis, Vice President, introduced themselves to the members. The rest of the Board introduced themselves to the members.

- Two members present, one is a long term member of the community and from the cul de sac on 18932 Lindenhouse Rd. They are questioning the speed of cars on Lindenhouse Rd. Kids are outside playing and people are speeding around 40 mph. Are speed bumps an option?
- The same homeowners from 18932 Lindenhouse are concerned about a homeowner on Lindenhouse Rd. who may be operating a business out of their garage. There is a lot of traffic at the house.
- Diane will gather information from the County about speed bumps to see if it is an option (Action).
- Tom O'Brien mentioned that the berm between Harkness Rd. and the townhouses is starting to fail. People are also throwing trash. The common ground is our business and trash dumping is our problem. We may need to fence the area. Tom will monitor the common area (Action).

### **Old Business – deferred to Future Meetings**

- Deferred items include neighborhood watch, no dumping signs, landlord policy, and beautification plan.

### **Townhouse Parking Policy**

- A Board member asked if any cars have been towed to date. The answer was no.
- Steve Schuyler will get an update from Allied Realty on status of parking policy.

### **New Business**

- Diane will post signs around the community for the bulk trash pickup on October 27, 2017 (Action).
- The June 12 Board meeting will be held at Strawberry Knoll Elementary School.
- The July 10 and August 14 Board meetings will be held the second Monday of the month at the Gaithersburg Public Library in Room 3 due to Strawberry Knoll closing for those two months.

Meeting adjourned at 8:22 pm

Next Meeting is July 10, 2017