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# Princeton News

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### ELECTIONS AND PARTICIPATION!

Being a part of the decisions made by the HOA is as important to you as it is your current officers. All residents are encouraged to serve as officers of the HOA. The next election for officers will occur in November, with the new term beginning on January 1, 2017. Bob Byrd has indicated that he does not wish to return as Vice President. Many of the current officers have served our association for a number of years and we thank them for their work and dedication.

Volunteers are needed and suggestions are welcome. But, most importantly, the vote of every home in our community is essential. Please remember our annual meeting is coming up in November.

Without membership involvement in voting at this meeting, it may become necessary for the association to be turned over to a management company. This is certainly not the best solution for the Princeton community, and it would be costly to each homeowner.

Your votes and participation are needed and appreciated!



Remember to call  
911 for anything  
suspicious!

### BUDGET AND OFFICER APPROVAL

With at least 55% of homeowners voting, the 2016 budget and officers shown below were approved for the upcoming year.

We appreciate those who voted. If you ever have questions and/or comments, please check the website or contact one of the officers at the e-mail address shown above.

### 2016 OFFICERS

President..... Christina Rayneri  
Vice President..... Bob Byrd  
Treasurer ..... Jim Carmichael  
Secretary..... Wanda Land

### RULES AND REMINDERS

- State of Georgia law has changed recently to limit the time in which fireworks can be discharged. **No fireworks are to be fired after 9 PM.** The **only** exceptions to this law are for the 4th of July and New Year's Eve when the cutoff time is 12 AM (midnight) and 1 AM, respectively.
- Please be mindful and respectful of your neighbors with regard to the volume and timing of activities that produce noise (i.e. fireworks, loud music). Many families in our community have small children who go to bed early and loud noises may disturb sleeping schedules that are difficult to maintain. If you are going to have a party outside, please also be mindful of Georgia law that restricts loud noises after 11 PM and in general at all times when the noise is audible more than 100 feet from the origin of the sound.
- Our covenants may be found at [www.PrincetonSubdivision.com](http://www.PrincetonSubdivision.com) under the documents tab and are there for your easy review. Please review these documents so that you know your obligations.
- Please also be respectful of your neighbors when doing your yardwork. Blowing leaves, clippings, or trash into the street ultimately leads to those things ending up in your neighbors' yards.
- The covenants address the following issues:**
  - \* Signs in your yard that are not for the sale of your house or for a yard sale are not allowed (i.e. political signs, advertising signs)
  - \* Parking vehicles in the street. This is especially dangerous on hills where visibility is limited for other vehicles attempting to go around the parked vehicle
  - \* In general, trailers, boats, and inoperable vehicles are not to be parked in or on any lot such that they are visible from the street.

## ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES—11/10/15

**Samuel Latimer, Presiding**

Each property address attending the 2015 annual meeting of the Princeton Homeowners' Association was greeted by the 2015 officers and given the 2015 current budget numbers as well as the proposed 2016 budget. Each homeowner was also given an agenda, a copy of the 2014 minutes, and a copy of the Door-to-Door Sales/Solicitation policy for Hall County.

The meeting was called to order by President, Samuel Latimer, as all in attendance were welcomed. The reading of the 2014 annual meeting minutes was read by Secretary, Wanda Land. The minutes were approved as read.

Proof of meeting notices are as follows: an e-mail, letter sent, and meeting time and place was placed on a sign at the exit of Princeton.

President Sam Latimer presented the results from the 27 homeowners who responded to the survey sent out about hiring a management company for our HOA. Even though a few surveys were returned during the meeting, the results attached are as of meeting time. To help the homeowners in attendance understand what each officer position does, this was explained by each one. One of the biggest frustrations expressed by all officers is the lack of participation and the effort it takes to get homeowners to vote, respond to e-mails, etc. Things pointed out was that (1) the dues cannot be collected as part of the property tax, (2) the homeowners' association cannot be dissolved, (3) dues cannot be paid by a credit card, and (4) even if a management company is hired, there must be some type of officers to oversee the management company.

Many options were discussed. The one that was most accepted by all was to have some official assistants to those who would serve as officers. Christina Rayneri volunteered to run as President. Bob Byrd agreed to continue as Vice President with assistance from Don Landrum and Frank Ray. Wanda Land agreed to continue as Secretary with assistance from Peggy Moore and Tony Teal. Jim Carmichael agreed to continue as treasurer. A vote was taken and approved to nominate these as officers and officially add those who would assist them.

Jim Carmichael, Treasurer answered questions about the 2015 financial report. He also reported that the 2016 budget would remain exactly as the previous year.

There were 16 homes represented at the meeting. The homeowners attending were reminded of the need for 55% of the eligible homeowners to vote or 62 votes to be casted. A ballot will be created with the officers, assistants, and the 2016 budget to be mailed/e-mailed to all homeowners.

In new business, the floor was opened for questions. Homeowners brought up items such as asking homeowners to NOT blow their grass clippings into the street as it is stopping up the drains. The topic of requiring 55% of eligible homeowners to vote was revisited, but it was decided that even though it was hard to get that many people to vote, it was necessary to keep a few people from passing something that would be costly to everyone. A homeowner presented information to ask for the HOA help in maintaining the power line easement on Hoskins Drive. She was told that the matter would be researched, and she would be given an answer within 30 days.

With no further questions, the meeting was adjourned.

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