



Minutes of the 2019 Malibu Bay Homeowners Association Quarterly Meeting November 16, 2019

I. Welcome & Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m. by HOA President Laura Gora. Minutes of previous meeting were read and the board did introductions with an opening by Laura. She mentioned that the HOA is looking for a treasurer, anyone who can dedicate some time would be helpful. The work we do can get busy during the assessment time and we could definitely use the help, said Laura.

II. Board Elections Update

The HOA received 17 absentee ballots naming the current board as the board for the next year. Laura also asked for a show of hands and the majority of the rooms raised their hands in agreement for re-election.

III. 2020 Board Goals

Next year the Board would like to send out newsletters electronically. Laura said it's very expensive to send out via standard mail and she would like homeowners to have a choice to get it electronically or by mail.

IV. 2019 Landscaping

Laura said the HOA would like to do more mulching and that a homeowner suggested we do something with the entryway sign as it "looks washed out." Laura said there's not a lot we can do with it, the cost from the pond was outrageous from ComEd, so our next step is to add more mulch to the parkway trees. Laura also said for next year she will be paying more attention to landscaping violations.

In addition, the HOA is working with the village on more signage for the neighborhood regarding speeding and slowing down. Laura said as a Board we are limited with what we can do, but she did get some suggestions on speed bumps and is hoping that working with the village a little more will get people to slow down.

V. Newsletter Fence Survey

The HOA received 31 yes, six no, and three don't care votes from the survey that was sent to homeowners with the last newsletter. Laura said it wasn't a good turnout, but it's more than usual. She said the Board will send a proxy out for vote and an attorney will be reviewing it before it gets sent. She plans to have it mailed out with the assessment letter in January 2020.

Laura said we need a vote of 94 homeowners for the fence height to change from five feet to six feet. She went on to say that if passed the HOA will enact it and best case would be May before passed.

Jared, HOA vice president said the proxy will include all the details including deadline. One homeowner asked about the history of the fence height restriction and Laura responded by saying that the Malibu Bay builders established the association rules for fence height. She then encouraged homeowners to tell the HOA any other concerns or requests they may have as well as suggestions on budget items for the HOA this year.

VI. Rib Fest 2020

Jared, vice president addressed a homeowner question about RibFest parking, and he said festival will be hosted across the street from Malibu Bay and that parking certificates will be issued by the village and the HOA is working with village on our resident's behalf. He said the HOA did suggest closing the 135th street entrance and Volunteer Park (inside Malibu Bay) will not be an open park for parking.

Laura said the village is making their best effort to make our neighborhood safe and organized. She also said, they are talking to Metra about running the train to Romeoville for the fest and busing people in from Naperville.

VI. Ponds Update

Laura addressed the goal to put a fountain in the big pond, but said the total cost for doing that is over \$14,000 and until "we figure out why the algae is so bad we will need to shelve that project for now." She also said the electricity is almost \$200 alone to run those fountains.

One homeowner said that grass carp fish would eat the algae and help clean the ponds. Laura agreed that is was something we could look into.

VII. Lawsuit Update

Laura said that most homes for sale in 2019 did sell and that we hit a record for the selling of one home. There is one vacant home. She mentioned that many lawsuits start from people not paying their assessments. Laura said that if homeowners can pay \$10 a month or \$20 then that is fine. "Just contact us and we will work with you." She said, " If you do not pay, the fees they can will go up quickly and we don't want that to happen."

VIII. Open Floor

One homeowner asked about Comcast workers coming onto her property and if they are allowed to do that. Jared, said other people have mentioned that as well and to present those questions to the Village. "They are not utility companies, but it's not something the HOA can change," said Jared. However Laura said she would try to look into the matter.

Another homeowner asked about neighbors burning materials in their backyard and not cutting their grass. Laura said to please send questions/complaints to the HOA email or call the Board.

Homeowner Carol Surmak, Malibu Bay resident for almost 21 years presented a plaque she recently received for home of the month for landscaping. She said she forgot to mention this at other HOA meetings and wanted to share the good news. She said this was the second time receiving this award as she got the first one in 2004. Her and her husband Jack were among 17 other families and "are so thankful."

Laura closed out the meeting by mentioning that the HOA website will be moving to a new provider next year, so be on the lookout for a newly updated website. And as a reminder; the best way to reach the HOA is by email.

Meeting adjourned at 9:47 a.m.

Sincerely submitted,
Lea Whitney and Liz Gron
HOA Secretary and Co-Secretary