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**Tuscany Homeowners Association General Meeting
March 13, 2021 @ Tuscany Linear Park**

2021 Tuscany Homeowners Association Officers:

President – Mark Ricard 690-9998; ricardma2@yahoo.com.com

Treasurer – Mary Gilmore 619-647-3177; marflo12004@yahoo.com

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Board President Mark Ricard called the meeting to order at 10:05 am. 17 owners were in attendance. One owner present owns 2 lots.

Mark asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting, which was made by LV Cooley and seconded by Randy Gonzales. All in attendance approved the motion.

Treasurer’s Report

Mary Gilmore stated we currently have \$25,000 in our checking account and we have paid \$4,350 in the first three months to Cleco, Resolve Water and RCI Landscaping. We are still collecting 2021 dues and there are 8 outstanding. Mark stated that dues are not considered late until paid after 3/31; however, he realizes the 90-day grace period should have been looked at when covenants were revised and would like to discuss amending them to have a 30 day grace period. This will be further discussed at a later date.

Architectural Control Committee Report

Tim Gilmore is the chair of the ACC and reported that there are no current violations of which he is aware.

- A pool is being installed at the Combe’s house
- All mailboxes should have brass numbers on both sides of the box as address numbers are not required on houses. Replacement numbers can be purchased from Magnificent Mailboxes, 985-641-3145. <https://magnificentmailboxes.com> or Email: magnificentmailboxesllc@gmail.com.
- The Schott’s are installing French drains.

Old Business

- Revised covenants have been filed with the Clerk of Court and posted to the TuscanyEstates.net website.

- Reflective posts to be installed at corners with bad ruts. Three posts are in stock and available. However, project is on hold due to talk of drainage improvements and possible road work by the Parish.
- Drainage issues continue to occur at Naples Court and Palermo. Check your culverts and made sure that land is not half filling the pipe. Our drainage improvement project has been approved and funded by St. Tammany Parish and is now out for bids.

Core samples have also been taken from some streets and surveys have been done. Mark stated we're hoping this means the streets will be repaved, especially where there are dips in the road. This would mean reflective posts at corners, if installed, would likely be removed. Mark encourages all residents to file their own complaints with our Parish Councilman, Chris Canulette, regarding streets and drainage issues.

- Park improvements – a pavilion was again brought up, but this would require an additional capital improvement assessment. A shed has been installed at the rear of the Ricard's property holding HOA seasonal decorations, so the need for storage in the pavilion has been taken care of.

New Business

- An online survey through SurveyMonkey will be sent to all residents to solicit feedback on the neighborhood in general and HOA in particular. It will include questions such as how many meetings should the HOA hold annually; what can we do to encourage attendance at meetings; what improvements would you like made in the neighborhood; and suggestions for social events. Deadline to add to the survey is 4/1. Survey will go out on Monday, 4/5/21 and residents will have until Friday, 4/16 to respond.
- Social Events were discussed:
 - An Easter Egg hunt was suggested and Mary Gilmore will head up planning on it for Saturday, 4/3/21. If you have children/grandchildren who would like to participate, please contact Mary. A blow-up slide was suggested rather than a jump house due to COVID.
 - Tim suggested that we have another Bunco party. Some residents had not heard of the game. It's played with dice with 4 people to a table. The head table controls the flow of the game, rolling first for 1's until reaching 21. There are two rounds of 1-6 and lots of socializing occurs during the break. Mattie Daley offered her house and will look at her calendar to host the event.
 - Dede Ricard has arranged for The Smokin' Buddha BBQ food truck to come to our neighborhood on Saturday, April 23rd at 12 noon. The truck will be located in the Ricard's driveway at 562 Florence Drive (the cul-de-sac at Florence and Palermo). Pre-orders are necessary and Dede emailed the flyer to all residents and will hand-deliver to those without email addresses by April 5.
- New resident (not in attendance) at 416 Naples Court, Meaghan Anderson. We do not yet have her email or phone number.

- Mark asked for feedback on our landscaping provider, RCI. Everyone expressed satisfaction with them, and LV stated they were the original landscapers and planted the trees in the linear park.
- Mark asked if residents were agreeable to continuing to meet in the linear park for HOA meetings and everyone concurred.

There being no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Don Andre to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by LV Cooley.

Minutes submitted by Dede Ricard.

3/14/21

Next meeting is Saturday, June 5, 2021.