

CLAIRBORNE MAINTENANCE ASSOCIATION

Minutes for Quarterly Meeting, October 9, 2001

Officers/Board Members

President / Board Member	Trevor Thompson	43 Pegasus Place	834-8246
Vice Pres. / Board Member	Jim Foltz	122 Ascot Court	838-5104
Secretary / Board Member	Valerie Kresge	119 Ascot Court	832-7413
Treasurer / Board Member	Debbie Watts	37 Pegasus Place	834-5408
Board Member	Walt Marks	124 Ascot Court	838-1070

Committees

Architectural Committee

Ed Aiken	834-5610
George Holstein	832-2864
Mike Hudson	834-6516

Grounds and Maintenance Committee

Jim Foltz, Chair	838-5104
Rich Quickle	832-2772
Trevor Thompson	391-6370

Trevor called the meeting to order. About six non-Board members were in attendance as well as Board members Trevor Thompson, Debbie Watts, Walt Marks, and Val Kresge.

Old Business

Trevor called the meeting to order and the July minutes were accepted. (Ed Aiken had one question about them; it will be addressed on the website copy.)

Treasurer's Report

- Debbie gave copies of the recent checking and savings account statements to each attendee.
- A \$10,118 deposit was made to the savings account from 2001-2002 dues collected so far.
- All outstanding bills are paid. The reason that two bills were paid to Pratt Insurance is because of a transposed number, which led to an underpayment.
- Three accounting professionals (and Clairborne residents) again audited Debbie's records and procedures, and issued a letter to her stating that everything is fine.
- Trevor stated that some money will be moved to a higher yielding savings account in the next two weeks.

Grounds and Maintenance Committee Report

- Trevor reported that Jim will rebid for snow removal. Clean Cutt has provided this service for the past four years, but any resident is free to suggest other vendors (call Jim Foltz).
- There is a large hole by 2 Airdrie. [Several meeting attendees walked the area after the last meeting.] Action Item: Walt will call the appropriate County office about this matter.
- The residence on the corner of Lexington and Pegasus has just installed sod, rocks, and a sprinkler system on the land behind their fence. Jim and Rich talked to the homeowner and explained that this is County land (Clairborne mows the easement). The owner disliked the ruts in the area and replaced the grass, etc. at his own expense. The original large, jagged rocks will be replaced by smaller "river" rocks, as the owner had requested. It was noted that several other corners in our community are also susceptible to erosion; a discussion of driving patterns ensued.

Action Item: Trevor will write a letter to the owner stating what was verbally discussed with him about liability.

- Debbie again requested that the Architectural Committee tell her when they send certified letters to people so that she can go to the Post Office to check the mail for responses.

Maintenance Agreement Amendment Update

Norm hand-delivered the letter from Trevor. Trevor stated that he has been waiting for the County to make a decision about the matter. Meanwhile, Norm has been appointed to the Office of Community Governing and has been following up on this for Clairborne. The legal staff of the County is currently reviewing it; their current position is that Maintenance Associations have been chartered to maintain the open space, but not to enforce deed restrictions. One way for Associations to continue to enforce deed restrictions is to list line items in their budget (which Clairborne does).

Lexington Parkway Traffic Study

Because Lexington Parkway has recently been opened up from Route 896 all the way to Frazer Road, Clairborne and Rose Hill Developments have a right to request a traffic study on this road. Val requested this and about one week later the police started the study. Eleven violations were incurred over a three-day period (about one hour each day). This level prompted the police to make Lexington a "follow-up road", which means that it will periodically be patrolled for additional traffic infractions. Val, Trevor, and Scott Godfrey, Rose Hill Board President, received a letter with the findings.

Entrance Signs

This issue is on hold until after the Amendment issue is settled. Rich hopes to have a vote by Clairborne residents by February, 2002 and proposes five options:

- Three signs by commercial vendors,
- One sign by the Vo-Tech, and
- An option of no sign at all.

Rich suggests that one sign and not two be voted on and that the location be by the newspaper boxes on Airdrie.

Architectural Committee

Ed Aiken updated the group:

- The Architectural Committee inquired about the status of the current legal action regarding past deed restriction violations. (There have been no violations for some time, but past ones exist.)
- Attendees decided that since there is not a 21-house quorum tonight, the Board would be looked to for a wise decision as to how to proceed with current cases.
- Ed will resign next month after the December 6th (at 8 p.m.). Call George or Mike for the location. Ed stated that the policies, records, and meeting minutes are stored and he will forward them to the Maintenance Association. This will be a standing policy.
- Ed will conduct the annual policy review for 2001.

Other Business

- ◆ Action Item: Trevor will fix the website link. For the time being, the address is: <http://www5.ewebcity.com/clairborne>. He will also add two more legal documents to the site.
- ◆ Action Item: Trevor will provide a copy of the deed restrictions and the by-laws to a new resident.
- ◆ Anyone can call DelDOT to report small advertising signs on County property.
- ◆ Debbie raised the issue of drivers using the Route 896 shoulder way ahead of the designated turn lane. Action Item: Walt will call DelDOT to request a longer turn lane.
- ◆ Debbie's issue of her front concrete porch separating from the house still exists. The County will not assist her.
- ◆ Ed Aiken will investigate whether Clairborne meetings can be held at Cornerstone Church.

The meeting was adjourned at about 8:09 p.m.