

AspenGrove Homeowners Association
Board Meeting
August 3, 2005

The AspenGrove Estates Homeowners Association Board meeting began at 7:40 p.m. at Christina Barzare's home on August 3, 2005. Those present included Christina Barzare, Casey Jorgensen, Susan Schneidmiller, Beth Murphy, and Susan Rench.

A treasurer's report will be submitted at a later date.

Unfinished Business:

Dead Trees: This issue continues to be considered.

Pathway: The pathway between the Barzare and Jorgensen houses needs to be re-graveled. Beth will contact the gardener and ask for this to be completed by a certain date.

Second project: At the previous HOA meeting, the membership decided the first project would be the Tot lot fencing. The second project would be decided at the August HOA meeting. There was concern regarding the amount of money available for a second project, considering the Tot lot fencing cost slightly more than planned, and the additional costs for graveling the pathway. The second project discussed was the weatherproofing of the outside fencing of AspenGrove Estates. Bids have been received previously. Some concern was raised regarding possible damage to plants on the inside fences due to the spraying of the weatherproofing. Homeowners could choose to pay individually for the weatherproofing of their inside fences at that time.

New Business:

Pathway: The blackberry bushes on the pathway between the Barzare and Jorgensen houses need to be cut or destroyed.

Care of property: One of the homeowners expressed concern of his care of the 5 feet of land on his property supposedly owned by the county. The decision was made for Beth to instruct the gardener to maintain this section with bark and weed killer.

Tot lot: Weeds, including clover, appear to be invading the grass on the tot lot. Beth will also ask the gardener to take care of this.

Dog “doo”: A complaint was received regarding dogs’ waste in yards. A notice sent to homeowners, by e-mail, will remind them to clean up after their dogs.

Mailings: The cost for HOA mailings is approximately \$20. These costs continue to add up. To save money we will give homeowners a choice of e-mail or regular mail at the August HOA meeting. Those not attending will be contacted for their choice. Since this will be an amendment to the By-Laws, 75% of the homeowners need to acknowledge this. The amendment will be drafted by Casey. All signatures must be notarized.

Late dues: A discussion proceeded regarding how to handle late, unpaid dues. It was suggested an initial reminder be sent asking for payment of dues or contact to discuss payment of dues. After 60 days, another reminder would be sent with late fees discussed. After considerable input, it was decided:

1. Homeowners with dues due after 7-31-05 would receive an August 15th letter requesting dues be paid by 8-31-05. As of 9-15-05, a letter would be sent requesting payment by 10-1-05. After 10-31-05, a \$25. per month charge would be assessed.
2. If dues remain unpaid as of 11-30-05, a second \$25. fee would be assessed.
3. If dues remain unpaid as of 12-31-05, a third \$25. fee would be assessed. At that time, the homeowner will be notified that the HOA will be forced to place a lien against said property and the homeowner will be responsible for HOA attorney fees.

Treasurer: Beth Murphy notified the Board that she will file the 2-1-06 tax return. After that time, a new treasurer needs to be found.

Board and HOA Meetings: The next scheduled Board meeting will be February, 2006. The next HOA meeting will be scheduled in March, 2006. Casey and Christina’s terms will expire and their positions need to be filled at that time.

Boat Parking: A homeowner requested parking a boat for an extended period of time on the gravel at the basketball court. The Board’s position on this matter is this cannot be allowed due to safety reasons.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:
Susan Rench
Secretary

