

Highland Meadows Homeowners Association

Annual Meeting

August 15, 2015

Officers Present: Chris Christensen, Chet Jewell, Cindy Jewell

Attendees: Barrie Schwartz, Nanette Gray, Dave & Nancy Israelson, John O'Leary, Sandra and Eric Bartlet, Dave & Jeanne Sprowls, Steve & Shirley Sparke, Mark and Mary Ann Wood, Rick & Kathleen Grenfell, Bryan Hefferan, Lance & Kathleen Nelson, Rebecca & Carly Sandefur.

Chris called the meeting to order at 11:17 AM

- 1) Barrie informed us that the website is up: www.highlandmeadows.co. Please send photos.
- 2) Michelle sent in her treasurer report. We have funds in our legal defense fund of \$1,392.80; and in our general account we have: \$ 6,606.05 for a total of \$ 7,998.85.
- 3) There were questions regarding growing marijuana in our area. This came as a result of someone advertising property for sale and noting that the area is great for "growing marijuana". Per our by-laws there cannot be any commercial businesses within Highland Meadows. So therefore, no marijuana business as a result of selling property. There was discussion as to the fact that anyone can grow marijuana plants with the limit being no more than 3 flowering and no more than 3 not flowering. You can obtain a permit and the state can license for commercial growers.
- 4) There were questions regarding the maintenance of the roads. Chris addressed the culvert update. Teller County has said that the area is too rocky and they can't do anything about it right now. We need more people to call and complain to the county about this. (Road oiling is about \$2400 for .6 mile.)
- 5) A follow-up from last year Dave Israelson and Lance Nelson have been working on plans for the new entrance sign. The posts are dry rotted. Dave has done some research and the sign right now is almost on Arlene Stedler's property. Dave has contacted her and they are working on a contract to seal the location of the sign. A majority says 'go ahead'. Dave and Lance will continue to work on getting the sign up within the next few months.
- 6) Michelle sent an e-mail to Barrie stating that the Forest Service will chip slash for \$85 per hour. John O'Leary sought for more discussion on renting a chipper to clean up the area. Some discussion with in the group but nothing formal. Rental of a chipper is about \$170 per day or \$25 per hour. The fires this year in the next subdivision were started in the slash piles. Barrie will put the information on the website.
- 7) Eric Bartlett was nominated, but since not all members were notified of his nomination, the election will be next year once the entire membership is notified.
- 8) Donations are to be made to the same establishments as last year. A motion was made and seconded all approved, to send an additional \$200 to the fire department for this year only as a recognition of the work that the department did to keep our area safe.
- 9) Community gathering – There was discussion about having a few community gatherings throughout the year. A motion (Chris) was made, seconded (Eric) and approved for the

association to fund up to \$100 on 3 separate occasions within the next 12 months for community gatherings.

- 10) Emergency Exits – Lance has contacted the property owners whose property goes to County Road 12 and they agree to let us use their property in case of emergency. Lance will follow-up with a formal document and procedures for us to abide by for using their access road.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:58 PM

Submitted by: *Cindy Jewell, secretary*