

Wilderness Trails Owners Association meeting minutes
September 14, 2010

Meeting was called to order by the president, James Conley.

I. Financial Report:

Treasurer, Aneta Kolb, went over the financial report and answered questions from the floor. Aneta was recognized for her outstanding efforts to get all residents on a current footing. Since the last meeting three new families have moved in and the former residents' accounts paid up to date.

II. Old Business:

Jerry King gave a report on his efforts to get wireless internet into the neighborhood.

III. New Business:

Workday was set for October 16.

It was discussed that only two people showed up last time for the workday. Without better participation, we will have to hire an outside contractor to come in and do the work which will require either raising the annual dues or an assessment for expenses.

2010 workday will consist of:

Trimming trees and brush and clearing culverts along Wilderness Road. Paint/Stain wall around the dumpsters, house around water cistern and if we have enough material paint the sand boxes.

Rock along Wilderness Road at the King's to protect the concrete culvert. Additional rock where the ditches have gotten deep.

Carl Money suggested that we request Ameren to come and trim trees that are near the power lines. It was discussed that in the past Ameren required individual homeowners to contact them for trimming services. Barry Cundy reported that Stoney Creek has places where it is starting to breakdown where we dumped rock previously. Seal cracks on Stoney Creek. The board will attempt to get the road sealed before it is damaged any more.

Hayride/bonfire was scheduled for October 30th at the dumpsters. We need to line up Miles or Keller.

A new phone list was requested to be sent out to residents, possibly by email. Aneta advised that approximately half of the residents will accept e-mail notification but the remainder still require mailings.

It was brought up that people are leaving items next to the dumpsters, most recently was a steel work out bench. Discussion was that the dumpster area is not for seeing if a neighbor might want another's trash and that these items will not be taken by the trash hauler unless they are in the dumpster. Large items, including boxes, should be dismantled or folded up before being put in the trash. It was agreed that the next notice to residents should reflect this discussion.

In the past months two cars have had accidents and overturned on Wilderness Road between the dumpsters and the first three houses. One was due to a speeding car crossing into oncoming traffic. Another was excessive speed. Possible solutions discussed were speed bumps, mobile radar trailer and making people more aware of the dangers. All residents should be aware that the speed limit is set at 20 mph. This should be discussed with all drivers in every household. It was brought up that while waiting for buses small children play in and around the dumpsters. Parents and drivers should be made especially aware of the dangers in this area.

Several cars and one garage were broken into this Spring and Summer. No one present was aware of any additional incidents or of any resolution.

IV. Election of Officers:

Jim Conley and Aneta Kolb declined to serve another term because of their busy schedules and the time they have already served. The board is currently seeking a treasurer to take over from Aneta.

The following were nominated and elected by those present:

Jerry King

Jeff Schneider

Bill Pattison

Barry Cundy

Scott Kirkpatrick, in absentia (since the meeting Scott has declined to serve again.)

Fellow Residents of Wilderness Trails,

On September 14, the annual meeting of the residents of Wilderness Trails was held at Geggie Elementary School. Jim Conley, Aneta Kolb, Bill Pattison and Jerry King were present to represent the Board of Trustees. There were ten other residents and with the board members they represented ten households.

A work day was scheduled for October 16. Bring rakes, shovels, string trimmers, limb trimmers or other implements. The last work day there were only two people to show up. We really need to have a good turn out so we can get some things done. Without an adequate turn out we will have to hire the work done. This will probably require some kind of assessment or raising the annual fee.

People are leaving items out next to the dumpsters. Please put them in the dumpster. If they are bulky they should be dismantled or folded flat (like large cardboard boxes). This isn't an area to try to see if someone else wants your trash. If you don't put it in the dumpster, someone else will have to. These items will not be taken by the trash hauler unless they are in the dumpster.

In the past months two cars have had accidents and overturned on Wilderness Road between the dumpsters and the first three houses. It seems that a lot of people are travelling at too high a speed on our roads. All residents should be aware that the speed limit is set at 20 mph. This should be discussed with all drivers in every household. We also want to bring to everyone's attention that, while waiting for buses, small children play in the area around the dumpsters. Parents and drivers should be made especially aware of the dangers in this area.

The Halloween hayride and bonfire have been scheduled for October 30. We'll meet in the area by the dumpsters.

Thank you,

Board of Trustees
Wilderness Trails