

Colony Farms Subdivision Association, Inc.
Minutes

HELD: Thursday, May 8, 2008, at the Barn

CALL TO ORDER: President, Paula Ford, Called the meeting to order at 7:35pm. The whole Board was present. In attendance: Mark Zink, Vice President, Carolyn Butler, Treasurer, and Amy Cambron, Secretary. Landscape committee members, Mable and Art Partain were also present later in the evening.

There was a brief introduction session led by the President. The bill paying checks and balance system was reviewed. President, Paula Ford will check PO Box on a regular basis. The bills will then be given to Treasurer, Carolyn Butler for payment. Finally given to Secretary Amy Cambron for mailing.

President had checked PO Box and Board decided to pay insurance in full. An energy bill was also paid.

It was decided that Vice President, Mark Zink would handle requests for Barn reservations and forward them to Tim McMann. Tim McMann requested stamps for barn reservation request forms. Board agreed to give him one book of stamps

The issue of cleaning up the downed trees was discussed by all. Treasurer checked preliminary budget for tree removal. It was discussed that Rusty4Farms was paid 4K to remove 70 trees. President had received an estimate from Rusty4farms for downed tree cleanup. Board took a walking tour of the common areas discussed in estimate. It was discussed to mulch path with wood chips and spray them on the forest bed.

Vice President met with asphalt people regarding the Barn parking lot paving. It was discussed how waves in concrete need to be removed. The wish list, things that need to be done was also discussed. Vice President discussed how it is time to get things done instead of talking about them for thirty years, like the deteriorating sign for Barn. Vice President mentioned the need to replace table and chairs for the Barn. He got a price from Costco 12" round table are \$479 for a 4-pack, chairs \$100- 4 pack. Possibly some 8' tables for buffets. He would also like new refrigerator, new stove, counter and sink. Vice President stated that the cost at Home Depot is approximately \$100 for a 12' Formica counter top plus cost of paying someone to put the sink in and set cabinets. New cabinets cost t \$250/each for 36" size. His estimated total was about five thousand dollars for these improvements. The need to fix or replace the ceiling was also discussed, as well at the need for air conditioning and/or ceiling fans and new lighting. President mentioned possibly donating her old kitchen when she has it remodeled. The need for re-planting trees along Thoreau drive was also mentioned. It was discussed and agreed by all to remove deteriorating barn sign and replace it with an engraved boulder. An estimate was discussed from Bill Mayes and Jim Melville the original makers of the sign to redo a wooden one for a cost of \$450.00, the price for materials and not labor. The Board voted and decided on a more permanent, lower maintenance one time expense

engraved boulder as the new barn sign. "The Colony Farms Meeting House" as stated in bylaws will be engraved on boulder. Font to be determined. Labor cost for installing boulder is the same as for one or three \$300.00. Waiting to check on additional boulders before final decision.

Landscape, Forestry and grounds committee members, Mable and Art Partain made a presentation to the Board and handed out two flyers (attached) outlining their purpose and mission. We were advised that Scott Heckler was the Chairman of the committee, but he was unable to attend as he was out of town. We were also given a brochure on road repair for special assessment paving. Also discussed was a commitment to maintain trees and re-plant trees. The Plymouth Townships program of purchasing 4'-6' tall trees for \$30-50 for public common areas was mentioned. Per Art, this is at a very good price as his blue spruce cost \$250 for the same size. All that is needed is two volunteers per tree. One to dig a 3' hole and the other to place tree and cover with soil. Needs to be determined how many trees and where placed, after tree clean up. Forest should be cleaned up so that growth can continue. The issue of nipping poison ivy as was done in the past was also brought up by Art. It (poison ivy) has gotten out of hand since the year 2003. The Board may want to have it done professionally. Art requested to blow back thick layer of wood chips from around tree bases to save the trees. A sign would be put up for the homeowners to help themselves to free wood chips. The Geese problem was also discussed. Art requested that the Board please notify the landscape committee when work was to be done so that they could be in evidence and oversee.

Next meeting to be held Wednesday, June 11 at Barn at 7:30pm . Meetings to be held the second week of each month at Barn.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board and upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.

The foregoing minutes constitute a true and correct copy of the minutes of the above-referenced meeting and was approved by the Board of Directors of the Colony Farms Subdivision.