

Marion's Garden HOA Meeting Minutes

The monthly MGHOA meeting was held Tuesday May 12, via Zoom at 7:00 PM. Virtually present were President Mike Weisgram, Vice President Marlin Roseland, Treasurer Jennifer Anderson, Secretary Todd Bowman, Board Members Gary Johnson, Reg Nelsen & Matt Mitchell. Gerad Johnson was a guest and virtually attended part of the meeting.

Board members read the April Minutes. Johnson motioned to approve the minutes, Nelsen seconded. Motion carried.

Financials/Bills

Anderson reviewed the financials with reports, bills to pay, dues, etc. Bills submitted included: AGE Corp for private property signs \$313.12 and Dakota Sprinklers for tree and stump removal \$3,195. Only three HOA dues remain outstanding and Anderson will send additional dues statements including finance charges since they are now late. As of 4/30/20 MGHOA had \$56,561.78 in the General Fund, \$40,000 in the Canal Fund and \$40,000 in the Dredge/Future improvement fund. Casey Tibbs Rodeo Center agreed to a future credit toward our annual meeting once that is scheduled. Nelson moved to accept the financials & pay bills, Mitchell seconded. Johnson abstained. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Speeding: No update.

Fishing habitat: A number of homeowners have placed artificial habitat under their docks. Bowman showed pictures of fish under his dock using the habitat. Bluegill, crappie, and perch were present. Other results will be pending.

Public fishing in the parks: Johnson had "Private Property" signs put up. Discussion of additional signs ensued, and we may look at two additional signs where the number of non-property owners fishing has been numerous.

Silt trap landscaping: Gerad Johnson discussed some concrete pillars that need adjusted and cut. He thought the cost would be less than \$1,000. Other landscaping may cost up to \$2,000 more, with river rock and Juniper trees as a possibility.

Nelsen did not apply for a spraying permit to spray the canal for weeds. He has been in contact with the state and he can apply via email if we decide to spray. Several homeowners with imaging graphs will monitor the canal for weeds, and spot spraying may be all that is necessary, if any spraying at all. We have enough chemical to spot spray this year.

Clean Up Day – May 2nd. Mitchell headed this and had a good turnout. Lots of debris was picked up along the railroad tracks. Doug & Cooper Day spent some additional time cleaning dead trees along the empty lots on Port Charlotte, with Mitchell assisting with a dump trailer. That effort is appreciated!

Annual MGHOA Meeting is postponed until further notice. We would like to have a public meeting but need to wait until later this year, and that will depend on the pandemic.

Marso Lawn service has begun service, and it is going well.

The trash from the apartments has become an issue blowing around the neighborhood. Weisgram discussed with the property manager and she was receptive; however, there still does not appear to be another dumpster at the apartments. Weisgram will reach out. The boat parked on Port Charlotte was also discussed as we have received some complaints.

Committee reports:

Canal: Weisgram, Nelsen, Tim Hughes, and Colt Hughes did a wall walk to determine if any additional repairs need to be done, including a look at the storm drain between the Coyle/Day homes. Central Caissons Inc. submitted a proposal for repairs at multiple locations. After a lengthy discussion, it was decided to proceed with repairs at the following locations: Schreiner, Wilson, Johnson, Sonnenschein, and at various drains if the water is low enough. Total for these repairs is \$28,540. It was decided to hold off on the Gloe repairs for now but we will continue to monitor. Gerard Johnson indicated the repairs to the storm sewer pipe on the Coyle's would be similar cost as the Amburs, which was approximately \$2,000. Weisgram to continue to pursue cost sharing with the city, and Roseland will attend the next city council meeting so Weisgram can be absent during the discussion.

Architectural –Waiting on the Sonnenschein landscape plan. No other updates.

Website – No update.

Social – New Chair is JoAnn Nelsen excited to get going.

Parks – When the weather warms up we will have a staining day to take care of the playground equipment. Mitchell and Nelsen will pursue a plan for sidewalk and concrete pad at the park. After that is complete additional fill can be brought in to help with drainage.

New business

Johnson was contacted by a potential bidder on the bridge project. The contact indicated there will be a floating barge with equipment that could be utilized to clear out the mouth of Marions Garden. Nothing concrete at this time and this would likely occur 2021 to 2022.

Anderson had expressed wanting to step down as Treasurer after her term is up. We appreciate Anderson's service, and she will be missed! James Walti has expressed interest to succeed Anderson.

Being no further business, motion by Mitchell, second by Nelsen to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM. Next Monthly meeting will be June 9th.

Submitted by Todd Bowman MGHOA Secretary

