Northridge Homeowners' Association Board Meeting Minutes from September 10, 2008

Members

Present: Roger Thompson, President; Wendele Maysent, Vice President Dick Geil, Treasurer; Kate Sodelet, Secretary; Heather Penney, Member at Large; and Danny Staedtler, Web Manager. Absent: Carroll Marty, Green Space Manager.

Call to Order/Approval of Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. The August 13, 2008 Meeting Minutes were presented and approved.

Treasurer's Report

Dick Geil distributed the August 2008 financial statements. The invoices listed below were reviewed and approved by the Board.

Approved Invoices:

Ames Advertiser - \$x.xx Ad for Fall Garage Sale.

Annual Property Tax - \$x.xx

Dan Staedtler - \$x.xx Northridge Web Site work fee.

Carroll Marty Construction - \$x.xx Weeded gardens and entryways, placed mulch, cleaned out waterway by the North Forty, picked up down tree limbs, chipped brush, and hauled large wood to the dump. Filled holes in black top, spread grass seed in bare spots in White Pine Way and cut trees out from ditches.

Dick contacted Chuck Schmidt regarding an audit of the Northridge Association's financials. An original invoice from Carroll Marty had been given to Kate Sordelet. She is giving Dick a copy of this invoice for his records and also provided a copy of the invoice to Chuck Schmidt. *Reminder note for the Northridge Board: Northridge Association taxes are due early by March 30th and not April 15th.*

Green Space Report

Carroll Marty's work activities for the month are described above in the "Approved Invoices" section.

Old Business

Pruning Trees

Kate Sordelet indicated that she and Tom Harrington would meet with Dan's Landscapes for a bid. The bid will cover the cost of structurally pruning over 100 trees. The Board thought it would be a good idea to break this project down into three phases. Kate Sordelet indicated that she would prepare a write-up to obtain three individual quotes for these three phases along with one overall bid for completing the entire job.

Before trees are trimmed along Northridge Parkway it was determined that the Board needs to obtain individual consent from each Homeowner. Heather Penney indicated that she would contact each Homeowner to gain their approval.

Update on Sprinkler Disconnect

Carroll Marty will provide an update regarding the Sprinkler Disconnect at the next Board meeting.

<u>Update on Northridge Email Distribution List</u>

Dan Staedler entered all the Northridge email addresses that were obtained. Dan indicated that we are missing just 29 addresses. He also has removed contact information for several residents that moved away.

Renewal of Covenants

Dan Staedler will be adding a disclaimer notice to the Northridge Web Site regarding the Associations' covenants. The covenants are going to be renewed and a homeowner's signature will need to be obtained for each of Northridge's 18 Additions.

The Board encourages Homeowners to obtain the Board's approval regarding the placement of fences but will not require it per the covenants. Also, the Board plans to clarify the issue regarding the placement of fences. This clarification may be provided on the web site or in a future newsletter.

New Business

Enforcing Covenants

The complaint regarding a neighbor violating several covenants was addressed. The neighbor in violation has since corrected all issues.

Maintenance of Cul-de-sac Green Space

A question was raised as to who maintains the cul-de-sacs. The Homeowner was informed that it is up to the cul-de-sac residents to maintain their green space area.

<u>Planning for New Board Members</u>

Kate Sordelet indicated that she will be moving from Ames and will need to step down from the Board. All members were asked to help identify other Northridge Homeowners who may be available to serve on the Board for next year.

Planning for the Northridge Association Annual Meeting

Roger Thompson will be away on travel during the months of January and February; therefore, the Board plans to hold the Annual Meeting in March 2009.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:30 pm.