

Below are the meeting notes from the Common Ground Committee meeting held on 6-2-03.

COMMITTEE: Common Ground

DATE: 6-2-03

RECORDER: Rita Madison

ATTENDANCE: Machel Seiler - Jeanne Smith - Brian West - Shirley Thomas - Rita Madison

DISCUSSION: 1.) Two of the three projects submitted to the board in March are completed. The flower bed by the duck pond has been redone with pavestones, and two wild rose bushes have been added to the flower bed. Four flower pots were purchased to replace the whiskey barrels at the clubhouse/pool area. These new flower pots have been planted.

2.) The third project is to enhance the day lily flower bed at the entrance of Regatta in the first island. The committee has decided to go ahead with this project, and not delay it due to waiting to see what is going to happen to the plot of land west of the Regatta entrance. The pavestones have already been purchased. The only other cost will be labor, which is estimated to be \$200 - \$300. If at some future date other plans are made for this island due to highway construction or development construction, the pavestones can be moved to another area in the community.

3.) The Common Ground Committee's Budget was discussed. Our committee had a beginning budget of \$3000. We have spent \$2,007.97 through May. After completion of the Regatta flower bed, our committee will have approximately \$700 left. It was decided that we would add a trash can by the clubhouse boat docks. Several residents have requested this. The trash can will cost approximately \$300. Now we are down to \$400. The committee also agreed to add another day lily or two at the front of the clubhouse.

4.) Goals and objectives for our committee were discussed. The Common Ground Committee's purpose is to do capital improvements to enhance the beauty of our lake community. Our committee is not responsible for maintenance (grass cutting, tree cutting, etc.). Although we are not responsible for maintenance, we are concerned that if the maintenance is not kept up, it will have a negative impact on the beautification capital improvements that have been made. An example is the removal of the dead Scotch trees. These trees need to be removed as soon as possible, because they are endangering the live ones. There is a dead tree by the spillway on Raintree Parkway, and two dead trees on the south side on the common ground lots (2nd clubhouse area). The committee is also concerned with the appearance of the play area at the clubhouse. The swing set is in a mud hole. It is very unattractive as well as a safety concern for the Raintree children. Machel Seiler will formally submit the Common Ground Committee's goals/ objectives to the board.

5.) Rita Madison is attempting to start a garden club at Raintree. Several residents have expressed an interest in such a club. The first meeting will be held at the clubhouse on June 25th at 7:00 P.M.. The purpose of the club will be to enhance the beauty of our lake community whether it is for residents' individual yards or the common ground. Rita will be the liaison between the garden club, and the Common Ground Committee. Rita has invited the President of the Lakewood Garden Club to the first meeting to share organization and fundraiser ideas. The Common Ground Committee will purchase the refreshments (soft drinks and cookies) for this meeting.

6.) Jim Cross asked for permission to remove a tree from the common ground by his lot on Marsh Wren. The committee looked at the pictures, and reviewed his request. Approval was granted to Jim with the understanding that it would be at his expense.

7.) Brian West requested that the following be put in our meeting notes for the board's review.

IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT BRIAN IS
NOTIFIED BEFORE THE TENTS
GO UP FOR THE SUMMERFEST. HE KNOWS
WHERE THE
UNDERGROUND PIPES ARE AT AROUND THE
CLUBHOUSE AREA. WE
DO NOT WANT THESE PIPES DAMAGED.
AGAIN, PLEASE CONTACT
BRIAN BEFORE THE TENTS GO UP!

ATTACHMENTS: Common Ground budget and expense breakdown for 2003.

NEXT MEETING DATE: 9-8-03 (This date is to be posted in the appropriate Shorelines calendar).