

# **EARC Meeting Minutes**

May 25, 2011

Present: Mel Church, Mickey Cook, Karl Freed, Larry Harris, Dave Magerlein, Scott Vandeboss

Absent: none

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. in the Clubhouse library.

Note: Dave Magerlein has replaced Joe Hawver as the PHCA Board liaison

## **Actions noted for the record**

Expedited request handled electronically - submitted by Nancy Anderson, 4004 Old Field Trail. EARC approved the replacement of the existing wooden fence with a 4' tall black metal ornamental fence.

## **Tree removal requests**

### **Meadows Association - 20" White Pine**

The tree is located by the stair railing by unit 3846. The tree is dead with other White Pines in the immediate area. Approved for removal without replacement.

### **Meadows Association - 2 large White Pine**

The trees are located on the side of unit 3806. Both trees are alive but show extensive damage from the recent ice storm. Approved for removal with two replacement trees required.

### **Bennett residence, 3901 Cricket Lane - 6 trees of unknown species ranging from 6" to 10"**

The trees are located in the woods behind the house and are all dead. Approved for removal without replacement.

### **Bennett residence, 3901 Cricket Lane - three 10" Sassafras, one 10" Cherry, one 4" Pine**

The trees are located behind the house, along the woods edge. The Pine tree is alive but has been overtaken by the surrounding vegetation, limiting its proper growth. The Sassafras and Cherry trees appear to be healthy and strong with no apparent disease or damage. They are not in contact with the house and do not appear to be causing damage to the structure. The Pine was approved for removal without replacement. The Sassafras and Cherry were not approved for removal.

## **Painting request**

A painting request submitted by Carole Newburry, 4014 Old Field Trail, was tabled. Because the property is a duplex, committee members discussed various issues related to requests to paint only one residence in a duplex. Members were generally in support of allowing such painting, but only in the existing color. Even then, a request should be submitted and evaluated based on the individual property involved.

## **Unauthorized clearing of PHCA property**

After receiving comments from several community members about the clearing of land along the east side of Cherry Creek, the EARC investigated the area. Two areas of PHCA land along the creek were found to have been cleared of natural understory growth. The clearing extends from the rear of the Pines Association property and down the adjacent slope to the creek edge. EARC members felt this is a severe violation of PHCA property that must be addressed strongly by the PHCA Board. The EARC will report its findings and recommendations for action to the Board.

## **Agenda item for our next meeting**

Mickey reported what appear to be mountain bike trails around the Willow Creek apartments on the far side of Willow Lake.

## **Conclusion:**

Meeting was adjourned at 4:25.

Next meeting: Wednesday, June 22, 3:00 pm, Clubhouse library

Mickey Cook, EARC Secretary