

Schieveling Plantation HOA Quarterly Meeting  
February 28, 2019 7:00PM

Attending: Chris Gilbert, Denis Lesieur, Aggie Ricks, Linda Spates, Dawn Mortenson, Barb & Tom Bell, Cale & Marcia Shipman, Shawn & Heather Finch, Wayne Spates, Larry Miller, Larry Hudgins, Joe Lucas, Kelly & Linda Widner, Darlene Moomau, Janister Herring & Charles Hudson.

The meeting began with introductions of the Board. Minutes of previous meetings are on the HOA website for review at any time.

President's Report: Chris Gilbert began with an update on the pool. We are looking at opening in April, possibly April 12 or 13, final decision will be made and posted. Deck cleaning and putting out the pool furniture will occur approximately one week prior to opening. Blue Waters Pool Company will be notified of our chosen opening date. Closing of the season will either be end of September or mid October. One of the residents commented that the pool lights/timer need to be operational when the pool opens. We will be asking for bids on pool operations services in the fall so that they may be reviewed prior to next season. A request was made that an adult swim time be considered; perhaps one or two evenings a week for an hour or two. This will be discussed by the Board later.

Chris and Denis have met with the Mayor and other HOA Presidents; we are in Borough 4. The two chief items of discussion have been flooding and traffic. There is building going on in one quarter of the West Ashley Circle, and concern has been expressed that too much building, or lack of precautions, could lead to overflow flooding that could, at some point, impact our area. An event called "The Longest Table" is planned for April 27<sup>th</sup> at the Citadel Mall. Each table will have a facilitator to lead discussion on the topic of the table; open discussions on many topics are planned.

It was suggested that the reps of the HOA's get a meeting with SCDOT regarding 61 and all the traffic problems.

Compliance continues to be an issue; some with renters, some with owners. All residents are urged to keep their yards and home exteriors in good order; power wash (after pollen season), paint, make repairs, keep shrubs pruned, and yards properly mowed. Put trash and recycling bins away after use; don't put yard waste out early, clean/paint your mailboxes, etc. The HOA has a compliance email and residents are urged to use it to report problems and concerns. Renters need to be made aware of guidelines, although the owners are ultimately responsible. Joe Lucas reported that if someone is repeatedly blocking the sidewalk with their vehicle that you report it to the Parking/Consolidated Dispatch number. Give the location, make and color of vehicle, and the license plate number. They do not give warnings; the first violation is \$45.00.

There was a lot of discussion on compliance issues. A suggestion was made to mail or distribute the basic compliance problems along with the compliance process (email, letter, fines, etc.,) to all owners and renters.

The Citizens Services Desk number is 843-724-7311; and residents are urged to call with concerns or non-emergency problems.

Treasurer's Report: Denis Lesieur We finished 2018 in the black by about \$600. However, that will probably not be the case in 2019. We have already had to pay a legal fee and there are dead or

severely damaged HOA trees that will need to be taken down this year. We have also had to replace an HVAC compressor, and our insurance premium has gone up. We may have to pull some from savings if many more unscheduled events occur. To date, 21 families have not paid their assessments for 2019. In addition, the second installment of the pool special assessment is due in March. Late notices and special assessment invoices will be going out soon. Anyone who is past due on assessments, or has not paid their pool assessment in full will have their pool fobs deactivated. Chris stated that we need to look seriously at increasing our dues next year, a potential increase might be \$100.

All of this is another reason that our community needs to keep on volunteering for clean up, special projects, and other things in order to keep our costs down and keep our community a great place to live.

We need a three person Nominating Committee to find a person willing to be Board Secretary for the next year. Chris would like to stay on as President; Denis would like to stay on as Treasurer, and Aggie stated she would be willing to stay on unless someone else wants to run for Vice-President.

#### Committee Reports:

Grounds: In Carolyn Hughes absence, Denis gave her report. There is a dead tree in an HOA buffer area that has to come down; another is leaning and needs to be assessed. There may be others not yet identified yet. We are applying to be included in a Clemson study on termites in grand trees, and if accepted, all work will be done at no cost to us.

Clubhouse: Linda Spates reported 10 clubhouse rentals and 9 back porch rentals for 2018, in addition to HOA events. There are 3 pending rentals this year so far.

Maintenance: We need a maintenance chair who will take charge of the clubhouse maintenance; keep an eye out on the playground equipment; interact with contractors doing work. This person would not be expected to do all tasks alone; but could ask for community help as needed. Wayne Spates has been filling in as needed but has time conflicts and someone else is needed to take charge.

Social: Aggie Ricks thanked all those who came to the Christmas Party and said it was a lovely evening. She would like to have a small group help run an Easter Egg Hunt, and we are planning for the Annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July party, Halloween, and other events.

ARB: Joe Lucas reported there is one request to build from the new owner of the lot on Blockade Runner. The City has approved the removal of one dead tree and one other from the lot. Requests for painting and one for solar panels have been received.

Old Business: Nothing reported.

With no new business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:35.

Linda Spates, Temporary Secretary