
Oak Creek Homeowners Association

June 24, 1997
Meeting Notes

Thanks to all those homeowners who either attended our meeting or called in prior to it with their comments. I've attempted to capture the principal issues we discussed for your information.

1) Treasurer's Report

We have assessed a \$50 annual fee for 1997 which is payable at your earliest convenience. John Thompson, our Association treasurer, has not had to assess fee's for the last two year's as we had developed a surplus. If you have not paid, please deliver your check to John Thompson at 2828 SW Vesta, for \$50 made out to the Oak Creek Neighborhood Association.

The fee's principally pay for maintenance of our common area's. We have previously spent additional funds on an annual picnic and safety cones.

John has been kind enough to oversee the clean up of the common area's. He will be checking on the clean up of the area along 27th, which should be included in the work. We are indebted to Fritz Frolich's family, who is generous to maintain the area around the Oak Creek sign at the 27th Street entrance to the neighborhood.

We did discuss altering the common area lawn at the intersection of Oak Creek and Vesta. This is an issue we may yet consider however, it will be held off until we more fully understand the scope of the greenway restoration that will be taking place in that area.

2) Greenway Restoration

Speaking of the Greenway restoration, we will be getting out an update, or having a neighborhood meeting, to discuss what will be happening with this. You have all probably received the notice's from the City of Portland regarding the proposed restoration to the creek area that runs parallel to the bottom half of Oak Creek Drive.

There is a distinct possibility that the City will be using the common area lawn (at the intersection of Vesta and Oak Creek Dr.) as a staging area for the equipment it will be using in this effort. By our current understanding, that may include some large equipment over an unknown period of time.

We will be communicating directly the activities, timing and full scope of the work as soon as we know it.

3) Neighborhood Speed Limit

Though the posted speed is 25 MPH, given the large numbers of children in the neighborhood who play and ride their bikes in this area, it seems appropriate that all homeowners drive more slowly and carefully.

We can help each other out by attempting to slow the speed of all cars traveling through the neighborhood with the placement of neighborhood owned signs requesting caution of all drivers. Pat Gilroy is working on acquiring such signs for us, which we will strategically locate in the neighborhood.

Thanks to all drivers for being aware of our concerns for the safety of all neighbors, especially for those that may not be as aware of their own surroundings...like all kids.

4) Neighborhood Summer Picnic

We hope to put together a neighborhood picnic for sometime in August. I'll contact Woodley Heights about the possibility of playing a softball game against them that day. We would most likely have the picnic/barbecue in one of the cul-de-sac's. We'll pick a specific date during the next couple of weeks.

5) Neighborhood Phone Listing and Map

We will put together a phone and map list for your convenience. If you'd like your phone number to be listed, please contact Deidre Tamlyn. We will put this out as soon as it's done.

6) Yard Debris

Please do not dump yard debris in the common area by Vesta and Oak Creek Drive. Many neighbors use this area for play and recreation, and the yard debris only serves to inhibit their ability to do that.

If you need a place to dump grass clippings, remember that the cows living in the pasture behind Stephenson School are more than happy to receive your clippings. The owners encourage neighbors to help feed them. So please, don't use our common area's for yard debris dumping.

7) Neighborhood Watch Meeting

We have had a couple of car break-in's over the last six months. Crime certainly knows no boundaries. We will be holding a meeting shortly with a volunteer from the Neighborhood Watch program who will explain the program and how we might participate. If you'd like to attend, please call Bill Gardner at 452-0686. We can certainly help each other.
