

**Aspen Grove Homeowners Association
Board Meeting
April 3, 2017**

Laura Rench, President, called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m. at Susan Nelson's home.

Those present were Laura Rench, Susan Rench, Robby Wasserman, Susan Nelson, Steve Heard, Clif Renberg and Mark Miller.

The August 25, 2016 board meeting minutes were approved. Robby made the motion and Mark seconded it. The following corrections were also approved: We need to get any new owners' e-mail addresses. We need to be sure all homeowners are willing to share their e-mail addresses. In addition, we feel renters need monthly communication. The meeting adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

Budget: Robby discussed the current budget. The Takeda dues have not been paid and we did not pursue that last spring/summer due to the death of Mr. Takeda. Robby will write a letter to Mrs. Takeda asking for payment of 2016-2017 outstanding dues. We were all in agreement that we would like to keep the annual dues from increasing too much; however, we do need to take care of the fence project. At present, we will need to increase the dues to cover fence costs. Suggested amounts were \$689 at a 25% increase, \$525, and \$550. We agreed on \$575.00 which will be presented at the annual HOA meeting.

Old Business: Susan Nelson reminded us the previous bids were \$10,000 - \$12,000 for fence repairs. We will get a current bid for replacement. Another bid came in at \$40 per foot for replacement with a gravel buffer and staining both sides. Susan Nelson is concerned about the cost if we decide to terrace the fence as needed. We have a couple of bids with finance options. We need to be certain the fence is done the way we want, when we want. We also need to be certain the posts are treated. Another bid is coming from "Brian". Mark will meet him on April 13th and check about financing. We scheduled a quick meeting before the annual meeting for a decision on Board recommendations. Susan Rench feels this project should be done this year due to the condition of the fence and inflation costs. Clif will also contact Scott Hoover for a bid. Susan Nelson felt it would be wise to have a spread sheet for bid continuity. Clif offered the bidders would be interested in providing other services to the homeowners.

Annual Homeowners Meeting : The annual Homeowners Association meeting will be held at the basket ball court on Sunday, May 7th at 4:00 p.m. The notice will include an agenda and the proposed budget.

Old Business: Clif had several bids for the sport court, the tot lot, the front and the path. Izzy bid \$500 for the first time clean up, with moss killer and reseeded. \$180 monthly to mow, pull weeds, and pruning. Juan Luna bid \$250 for a first service with \$50 every other week. Mike, of M&S Zorgol, is interested as he has done previous work with the

homeowners. We know his ethics are superior, but he is not familiar with this job. Susan Nelson suggested using ground cover and/or wood chips on the grass slopes. Robby presented a sprinkler system contract with Advanced Irrigation for approximately \$100 in annual fees. Mark moved and Susan Nelson seconded this motion, which passed.

Susan Nelson talked about publishing guidelines and a quarterly newsletter. She would like this to be a permanent fixture on the website. An e-mail distribution would help the pride of the homeowners, and help the curb appeal. Ideas with recommendations and participation would be helpful. Mark indicated this would be complicated, but he will do it before the annual HOA meeting.

We decided HOA business cards are not necessary.

Election of Board Officers: The following positions are up for renewal: vice-president (Mark Miller), 2 members-at-large (Susan Nelson and Steve Heard), and the ACC (Clif Renberg). All members would like to retain their positions.

The meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Susan Rench
Secretary