

Cumberland Hills Subdivision Association

Meeting Minutes
September 13th, 2011

- I. **Welcome:** Attending – Susan Bowyer, Emmet Yukon, Marge Kelly, Kevin Smith, Dennis McKeough, and Becky Shosey. Carolyn Wills not in attendance.
 - a. Meeting called to order at 7:40 PM
 - b. Meeting Minutes from Annual Meeting from May 17th, 2011 have been approved.

- II. **Announcements & Updates**
 - a. **Treasurers Report** – Kevin Smith show that \$13,007.34 in dues have been collected this year. That leaves approximately 77 houses (15%) that have not paid as of yet. That is consistent with last year, where 14% still had not been paid by the September 2010 meeting. Susan requested the Kevin move \$5,000.00 from our checking account into a CD marked for Detention Pond cleanup, and an additional \$5,000.00 into a CD for the Drainage System cleanup. Kevin requested that we wait until the Speed Humps are completed before moving any funds, ensuring adequate funds.
 - b. **Storm Drain Cleaning** – Dennis has received all of the material that Martin Berthiaume had used with this project. He is currently waiting to hear from two possible companies to bid on the project, Inland Water and Advanced Under Ground. Once the company is selected, and the time-line laid out. The homeowners will be notified.
 - c. **Speed Humps** – The City of Rochester Hills will be going forward with the project. They have selected their contractor, and set the time-line for the project. The cost to Cumberland Hills Subdivision Association will be approximately \$4,500.00.
 - d. **Lawn maintenance** – The Lawn at our entrance is in poor shape. Weeds are still a problem. The Mums need to be cut back, yet the Roses are doing very well. We still have the mowing service under contract for another year.
 - e. **Website** – Susan is considering adding the History of Cumberland Hills onto the website. Susan believes that creating a Twitter account for the subdivision will give us a great new method for informing our homeowners of upcoming events. Dennis McKeough agreed to create a Twitter account for use by the CHSA Board.
 - f. **Newsletter** – Susan is finalizing the Newsletter. She plans to add the Facebook and Twitter link information.
 - g. **Fall Festival** – Becky's efforts have put the preparation for the Fall Festival ahead of schedule. She is being helped by Christine Larkins. There will be an Obstacle Bounce

House, Tootsie the Clown, Face Painting, a surf board simulator, Officer Ashley, a Fire Truck, and many games for the children to play. Becky said that volunteers are still needed to help.

- h. **Repair of Front Entrance Sign** – Mo (Rochester Sign Shop) will be doing the repairs to the front entrance sign. Our insurance agreed to the \$4,800.00 for the repair, when a car or truck ran into the light and sign last winter.

III. Comments & Questions from Homeowners –

- a. Susan stated that she will be placing in the Newsletter a reminder that Sheds and Fences are not permitted by the CHSA Bylaws. Susan indicated that several calls have been made to her asking what can be done about dogs that bark incessantly at the neighbors. These are calls about different dogs. She will add a notice to the newsletter that the Bylaws clearly state that no nuisance dogs are allowed, and stress that it is the responsibility of the homeowner to control their dogs.

IV. New Business –

- a. Outlook for the coming year is good.
- b. Holiday Lights contest and the Snowman contest will be done again this year. Marge Kelly will be in charge of the voting process for winners of both contests. The prize money for the contest have been increased, \$100.00 to all three winners.
- c. Holiday Lights on the front entrance for this year have been approved, and the funding of \$990.00 set aside.
- d. There is a need for someone to shovel the short sidewalk on Cumberland Rd. at the entrance of the Cumberland Hills, as Kyle Wills has retired.
- e. The Cumberland Hills Resident Directory will need to be updated. Dennis McKeough was assigned this task. The forms will go out in February.
- f. Winterize the sprinklers at the entrance will be done this month. The City of Rochester Hills has the key to access the CHSA sprinkler system, to remove the water meter for the winter.

V. Meeting adjourned at 8:56 PM. Next meeting 10/11/2011.