

Timber Pond III Homeowners' Association Newsletter

JANUARY 2005

Minutes from HOA meeting, October 30, 2004

The meeting was held in the Brandon High School Auditorium on Tuesday, October 30, 2004 at 7:00 p.m. Refreshments were served before the meeting. The meeting was called to order by President, Greg King, who introduced the current officers. There were approx. 37 homeowners in attendance. Three door prizes were given out at the end of the meeting, drawn from those attending.

Order of Business:

1. The minutes from the previous meeting were read by Corrine Horton, Secretary.
2. A budget for the year 2005 was handed out and discussed. Dues for 2005 will remain at \$50.00.
3. New business: The Architectural Committee is seeking a way to enforce the Deed Restrictions, after all other channels have been exhausted. Felipe Cuesta brought up the idea of retaining an attorney and having them write a letter to the homeowner. There was much discussion on this topic. A motion was made to further investigate the cost of retaining an attorney and was passed. Another motion was made and passed to set aside up to \$500.00 to retain an attorney should it become necessary.
4. The idea of standardizing the fencing was discussed. No further action was taken but it will be brought up again.
5. Election of Officers: Felipe Cuesta nominated Charles Palmer to be the new President, the motion was voted on and passed. Nominations for Secretary/Treasurer were called for and no one volunteered. Corrine Horton, current officer, agreed to remain until a replacement could be found. Felipe Cuesta agreed to remain as Vice President.
6. Architectural Committee: An explanation was given of the duties of the Committee. Volunteers were solicited for the coming year. Those volunteering were: Tina Ecker, Robert and Kathy Goosney, and Amy Krueger. Continuing from last year are Mike and Sondra Cliggitt and Joan Statham. The first order of business will be to judge the Christmas Decorating Contest.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Christmas Decorating Contest

Many homeowners did an outstanding job decorating for the holidays. Some of the favorites were: 922 Balsamina, 914 Balsamina, 915 Balsamina, 1119 Belladonna and 1221 Acanthus. The winner of a \$50.00 gift certificate for this year was **922 Balsamina with a fabulous North Pole theme.**

Painting your home this year?

Remember, you must submit your paint colors to the Architectural Committee for approval. This is the only way we can insure the general appearance of the entire neighborhood. You can mail your request

with paint swatches enclosed or contact the Committee via the web site. **Any changes to the exterior of your home must be approved by the Committee.**

Fences

This was discussed at the meeting as many fences are in poor condition and need replacement. We want those homeowners replacing their fences to strongly consider the white acrylic fences. Although they are slightly more expensive, they are much more attractive, the cleaning is minimal, and typically last 30-50 years. Most fence companies plus the local home centers have a selection to choose from. **Remember, the Deed Restrictions state that fences are to be no taller than 6 feet.**

Animals

We receive numerous complaints each year about people not picking up after their dog/s. Dogs and cats are not allowed to roam freely but must be on a leash. Our Deed Restrictions and Hillsborough County Regulations state that you are responsible to pick up after your pet on public property, public walks, recreational areas or the private property of others. This would include the area along Telfair and all our conservation areas. It seems many people take their dogs to these areas specifically to allow them to deposit their waste.

Trash Cans and Waste Material

Nothing makes a neighborhood look more unkempt than trash, trash cans, and debris laying around the front of your home or garage. **The Deed Restrictions specifically state that garbage cans and other debris be stored in your garage or behind a fence-- concealed from public view.**

Free Advertising on our web site

We want to encourage all business owners who live in the neighborhood to place a free advertisement on our web site. Contact the Board of Directors on the "Contact" page and someone will get back with you to design and place your ad. Service companies may also want to offer a discount.

Our web site has a copy of the Deed Restrictions, the latest Newsletter, and contact information for complaints or general information. **Please check it regularly.**

Second Annual "Spring Fling"

Mark your calendars to attend our Second Annual "Spring Fling" to be held **Saturday, April 16th** from 4:30 – 7:00 p.m. It will be pot luck and the HOA will furnish the hamburgers and hotdogs. The location will be announced in a flyer you will receive 2-3 weeks prior to the event. Last year about 75 persons attended, door prizes were awarded, there were games for the children, and fun was had by all. Locations under consideration are the back side of Daphne, the back side of Balsamina, and the bottom of Belladonna. We will rotate locations each year for greater neighbor participation.

Position of Secretary/Treasurer

We are looking for someone to assume the position of Secretary/Treasurer of the HOA. It does not require much time but a computer is necessary. If you are interested please contact Corrine at 685-2079.

***If you have a concern, complaint, or need information--
Please contact the HOA Board or Architectural Committee
by writing to
P. O. Box 1773, Mango, FL 33550
or e-mail us using the contact link at
www.timberpond3.com***

*Wishing all our neighbors a Happy, Healthy
&
Prosperous New Year!*