

Sweet Briar POA
Annual Meeting
February 10, 2019

Introductions from Board President (Diana Slain, President)

Introductions of Board Members (Dina Slain)

Introductions of City Councilman and City Councilor at-Large (Eric Moeller and Cecilia Coble)

- City/Neighborhood partnerships to help HOAs with costs of big projects (sidewalks, ponds, etc.)
 - Neighborhood matching grants focus on exterior beautification
- How can we increase efficiency and vibrancy in neighborhoods?
- March is Disability Awareness Month – Kickoff March 1
 - How can Fishers become a more inclusive community?
 - Theme is *Life without Limits*
 - Month-long calendar of events located on City of Fishers website
 - If you have a family member with a physical or cognitive disability, you can register that information so that first responders are aware – Fishers website/Special Needs Registry. Information stays private with the first responders
 - Fishers and Geist Kiwanis Club are chapter advisers for action clubs
 - Reach out to Cecilia Coble with questions or for more information (coblec@fishers.in.us or 317.595.3111)
- Council meetings are 3rd Monday of each month @7pm; there is a comment period during each meeting for the public

2018 Review (Dina Slain)

- We are finally a Crime Watch neighborhood!
- We have officially implemented QuickBooks – all handwritten receipts and notes have been implemented into QuickBooks
- Our website has been up and running for a year and is self-run by our board
- Rip rap around the pond was our biggest project and has been completed before we were fined – our pond is now safe!
- Painted bathroom floors of pool house – paint was donated
- Many repairs (pipes at pool house, electrical, etc.) – drywall has been patched, parts were re-tiled, some electrical was re-wired
- Pool access is under control (people sharing/selling pool cards); new IT program was rewritten by a volunteer so that we can cut off access if cards are lost or dues are unpaid; prevents selling of cards
- Rental Cap was voted on; approx. 70% voted in favor of capping rentals from corporations
 - Other neighborhoods have this same issue, according to our Fishers councilman
 - Sweet Briar North has just successfully changed their bylaws regarding this same issue

2019 Improvements Needed (Dina Slain)

- Bylaws need to be rewritten for clarity; current by-laws are too open for interpretation in some areas
- Recommend hiring a handyman for general repairs/misc. items
- Park
 - Path should be repaved in the next 5 years; roots are breaking through
 - General repairs and upgrades to equipment (playground, benches, picnic tables, etc.); someone has been anonymously making little repairs and replacements over the years, but we will need to make an investment in a larger overhaul in the next year or two
- Pool
 - Pool is cracking; looking for a quote to fix
 - Pool house needs new roof/shingles and minor outside repairs
 - Higher fencing within the next 2 years to prevent trespassing
 - Lighting around fencing; could just cap or add small landscape lights
 - Repaint pool house exterior within the next 2 years
- General
 - New signage and post repairs
 - Entrance brick is crumbling
 - Beautify park and common areas (trees, bushes, flowers)
 - Tree matching grant and neighborhood matching grant are considered too restrictive by some definitions and may not apply to our neighborhood since our projects are not visible from a main street, according to Fishers Town Council
 - As a help, they are looking at alternate ways to come alongside neighborhoods (bulk purchasing, etc.) to help with costs
 - Sidewalk repairs (City of Fishers' responsibility; just need to make a report)

Landscaping (Dina Slain)

- Wildwood and Trugreen will continue to maintain our landscape in 2019
 - Wildwood mows/landscapes
 - Trugreen fertilizes

Pool Updates (Loree Marroquin, VP)

- Diversified Pools will continue for the 2019 season
- Replacements in place for the Pool Manager position; Parker Beckman has moved on
- Pool hours will be posted before the season starts
- Repairs needed
 - Sand pump should be replaced every few years; ours has never been replaced in 20+ years
 - Need some resurfacing at the bottom of the pool
- Pool key system worked our great for last year; we will do the same for this year
 - All pool keys will be deactivated this year until dues are paid; will be reactivated once all is current

Subcommittees (Sierra Vogt, Secretary)

- Beautification volunteer committee (focus on park, trees, flowers, etc.)
- Social events – all voluntary (Halloween, Easter Egg hunt, etc.)
- Sign-up sheets available at this meeting
- Crime Watch (Sherry Taulbee, Crime Watch Captain)
 - Always call 911 first
 - Can post on neighborhood Facebook page
 - Keep your garage door closed; keep your car doors locked; tell your neighbors
 - Don't forget about the Fishers Crime Watch app; uploads do straight to the Fishers PD

Website/Facebook (Sierra Vogt)

- Facebook is the source of record for social events and items happening in real-time (pool closings; weather-related items, etc.)
- Facebook is run by residents and is not the venue for official board business
- The website (www.sweetbriarfishers.com) will be source for all official board documents (financials, minutes, newsletters, by-laws, standards, etc.)

2019 Budget Overview (Heather Rollag, Treasurer)

- See 2018 income statement reviewed by Treasurer
- Pool expenses have jumped up \$7500 for 2019 due to the anticipated repairs (resurfacing, sand pump, etc.)
- One of our main goals is to build back up our contingency fund and our savings account in case of emergency

New Business (Dina Slain)

- Dues will be need to be increased yearly at 10% until we can get ahead of the repairs needed for the subdivision

Introduction of New Board Members (Dina Slain)

- Carolyn Andrejck (President, replacing Dina Slain)
- Molly Conn (Secretary, *not present*, replacing Sierra Vogt)
- Amanda Chambers (Committee Director)
- Loree Marroquin (VP, incumbent)
- Heather Rollag (Treasurer, incumbent)

Q & A

- Add “handyman” opportunities ahead of time and ask for help (painting, gardening, upgrades, etc.)
- Fundraiser for playground?
 - Grants (Kaboom) that can help install playground equipment in parks
 - Residents present expressed an interest in raising funds

If you have questions:

- Check out our website at www.sweetbriarfishers.com
- Check the message board outside of the pool
- E-mail us at sweetbriarpoa@gmail.com