

Open Space Committee Minutes – March 19, 2007

Members in attendance:

Robert Altland
Russ Fuller

Old Business:

- The committee reviewed the minutes from the last meeting.

Areas of discussion included:

- The Courts playground replacement. Rapidan Resources is planning on replacing the equipment at this play ground the week of 9 April
- The replacement bench at the Susan Leslie Memorial area. Rapidan Resources is planning on replacing the two benches with a single bench the week of 9 April.
- The dead tree and dead shrub along Ashburn Road. The Blade Runners proposal to remove the tree and shrub has been reviewed and approved. PMP contacted Blade Runners and requested the work to be performed.
- Community cleanup. The committee agreed to work with PMP on acquiring a dumpster for the community cleanup day. PMP has received a cost and has made arrangement to rent the dumpster from 18 May to 22 May.
- Signs. The community signs acquired by Mark Wright have been placed in a storage closet in the community center. Russ Fuller took one sign so that he could replace a sign that has disappeared.
- Lighting proposals. Rob and Russ discussed the complete set of lighting proposals. If cost is an issue Russ recommended simply replacing the fixtures with standard flood lights then put shrubs around the flood lights to protect them. This recommendation will be made to the BOT in an e-mail
- Community trails. Rob and Russ agreed to walk the community trails to identify any areas requiring immediate work. They also agreed to photograph the condition of the Ridges tennis court and Ridges multipurpose court.
- Commercial development plantings. Rob and Russ reviewed the site plan for the new commercial development near the community clubhouse. Both expressed concern about the plantings that will be used to block the view of the commercial development from the pool area.
- Snow removal contract. Rob and Russ discussed the community snow removal contract and Rob agreed to query the BOT on PMP's progress in bringing a recommendation to the BOT for a follow on contract.
- Community Mail boxes. Rob and Russ also discussed painting the mail box stands in the townhouse areas of the community. Rob agreed to query the postal service prior to any work being completed.

New Business:

- Ridges tennis court and multipurpose court. Rob and Russ discussed the poor condition of the Ridges tennis court and multipurpose courts. The OSC will recommend that the tennis courts on both the Ridges side of the community and the Courts side of the community be locked during the winter.

- The Ridges tennis court is in especially poor condition. This includes the surface of the court, the gates and the nets/posts.
- Embankment plantings. Rob and Russ discussed the embankment plantings. The work done by Valley Crest appears to have added additional grass along both embankments where the seed and nettings were installed. The nets will have to be removed by Blade Runners prior to mowing. Rob will ask PMP to get an estimate on the similar work to be performed along Gloucester Parkway.
- Community cleanup The OSC will work with the Events Committee on the Community cleanup day. The Events Committee will provide refreshments. The OSC will work with PMP on the dumpster and will acquire gloves, trash bags and anti-bacterial lotion for volunteers.
- Courts play ground open house. The OSC will work with the Events Committee on an "Open house" for the new Courts play ground.
- The OSC is down to two active members and needs more members.

The next meeting is scheduled for April 23, 2007. Monthly meetings are usually every third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the clubhouse.