

# Open Space Committee Meeting

## Minutes

October 17, 2007 -7:00PM

Attendees:

Russell Fuller

Denise Hoffman

Old Topics:

**Dead Trees at 20391 Volley Court.** - On hold for now.

**Plan:** Committee agrees we need to address the dead trees in the spring when we can get an accurate count of what is dead and an estimate to remove all at once. Replacement will be assessed at that time as well with replacement limited to high visibility areas and areas that lack other trees.

**Mulching issues** – over mulching in places, no opening for water and air at center. Considered option of NOT mulching and committee agreed this was a good option for at least less visible areas, as it seems unnecessary for established trees and would save money as well.

**Plan:** Russ will meet with Terry, possibly walk community to discuss this.

**Surveillance Cameras for the Common Areas** –Discussed possibility of monitoring some common areas with hidden or inaccessible cameras. No idea if this is a feasible option due to cost, but could be explored.

**Plan:** Denise will look into options/cost before next meeting

**The Marquee Sign for the Court Side** – New Annuals in place. Russ reports requests to have a similar sign to the Courts and Ridges sign – with brick, lights and landscaping. Not sure this is in the budget. BOT issue.

**Plan :** Refer to BOT

**New construction damage to area by pool** –Area near utility box on Susan Leslie was dug up and left with roots exposed on bushes. Digging may kill the trees along there. The Bank still will need to hook in. We don't really know if this will be fixed by the utility company, the developer or the community. If it was an easement it may be our responsibility. If so, this area should be added to the landscaping/dead tree list for addressing in the spring so we can truly assess what is dead.

**Plan:** Denise will contact Audra to see if she knows or can find out the developer's intentions about this area and what we will need to do to get it fixed. No action to be taken until the bank has completed their hook-up.

**Stop signs for the Community** – Susan Leslie and Sprucegrove.

**Plan:** Once the construction is finishes the OSC will evaluate where the signs will be needed..

**Sprucegrove Square Curb** – cars are parking on the corner of Sprucegrove and Sunset, often directly on the corner. This makes turning the corner difficult and dangerous, especially as traffic is picking up on Sunset. Sprucegrove is not wide enough for two way traffic when cars are parked on the short stretch from the square to Sunset.

**Plan:** Denise is going to do a study and bring picture to the next meeting to show that parking on the curb is a safety hazard.

**Playground inspections** – Estimate reviewed.

**Plan:** Plan for all playgrounds to be inspected spring of 2008 after any winter damage. Committee will review possibility of scheduled inspections and how often to have them in the future at another meeting.

**Over View of New Budget** – Committee did not have a copy and could not review.

New Topics

**Snow removal contract** –Blade Runners.

**Plan:** Russ will find from Terry the procedure for snow removal.

**Tennis Court and Common Area by the Ridges Club House** - Will need refinished in the spring.

**Plan:** Russ will begin process of seeking estimates for spring repair. (Blasting should be done....)

**Review Open Space committee charter:** Tabled to next meeting.

**Warranty Trees.** Blade Runners will replace the warranty trees during the falls months.

**Plan:** Russ will get with Terry (Blade Runners ) to find out when they are going to start the replacement process.