

Mulberry Grove HOA Meeting Minutes for June 3, 2014 **Draft**

Rotary Park at 5 pm. Present: Michelle Wiley (HOA Pres. & Secretary), Susi Harrington, Kalen Jones, Clair Appel, Tony Marinelli, Carrie Anne Smith, Monica Hansen, Jason Hansen, Sonja Nicolaison

POND UPDATE: Per Kalen- were waiting on one part and then pump/irrigation to system to lots will be charged and ready to use by lot owners who hook in. Kalen will write up something for lot owners regarding city water and irrigation hook ups. Fish from wetlands have been stocked in pond for mosquito control. Trish Hawkins did this per Mosquito Abatement's advice.

HOA FEES: HOA fees will begin to be levied in January 2015. All 42 lots will share expenses. There was much discussion regarding HOA fees, how to keep fees down, etc. Boiled down, here is how to keep fees down: the Mulberry Grove common space is owned collectively by all 42 lot owners. If there is a common space area that is important to you, take initiative in helping to maintain it. Enlist your neighbors to help you. Make it fun. A few hours of your and your neighbors' work each month goes a long way in keeping down HOA fees.

LOT SALES: Three lots are under contract: 16, 14 and 36. All locals who plan to begin building within the next year if sales go through.

HOUSING AUTHORITY: Two twin home lots are under negotiation with HA (lots 7/8 and 22/24). Kalen is providing house plans. So far there is no contract or anything solid in place due to HA's non-action. Everyone seemed positive about having HA Self Help houses in MG.

DOGS: There had been issues with barking and free roaming dogs, which, by the time of the meeting, seemed to have been mostly resolved. Please be respectful of one another when communicating grievances regarding pets. Residents seemed to prefer being confronted directly rather than calling animal control right away. Please remember: clean up after your dogs, especially around the pond and dogs must be under control at all times. This may mean always being on a leash, depending on your dog.

GATES & DRIVING IN: Please keep gates closed, close gates if you see them open (other than during the day if a contractor is around). Close gates at night. Don't be shy to talk to folks who are driving in unnecessarily (or are lost/going for a scenic drive) and explain to them the no cars concept of the neighborhood. Most people are cool once they know.

CARPOR T LIGHTS: Michelle will check on why carport motion lights aren't working (Hillside looked this for me- west side carport bulb is burned out & needs to be replaced, east side motion sensitivity was turned up).