

HARVEST FARMS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

October 22, 2020
Home of Andrea Kowaleski
Additional Attendees Online Via Zoom Meeting

ATTENDANCE

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Charles Lawson
Ken Hollasch (Zoom)
Jodi Lawrence (Zoom)
Amy Chase Martin (Zoom)
Susan Andersson
Joe Tier
Andrea Kowaleski

OFFICERS:

Charles Lawson, president
Andrea Kowaleski, vice president
Jodi Lawrence, treasurer (Zoom)
Joe Tier, secretary

OTHER RESIDENTS:

None

AGENDA

- Call to order – 7:08 PM
- Roll call
- Approval of minutes from last meeting
 - a. September minutes approved
- Board Members' points of discussion/ announcements
 - a. President – Charles
 - i. Republic Services – new 3 year contract received
 - See Vice President report below
 - b. Vice President – Andrea
 - i. Quotes from contractors re:
 - Comparison of prices from other vendors in Appendix A
 - Republic Services is least expensive by a wide margin
 - HOA Board approved unanimously
 - Increases only 1.5% per year
 - Services include
 - Trash
 - Yard Waste
 - Bulk Pickup (2x per year)
 - Christmas Tree (2x per year)
 - ii. Status of groundskeeping contract / Fall cleanup
 - Fall cleanup will occur after the leaves fall of the trees

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- There was a discussion that the grounds maintenance for 2021 should include pre-season weed prevention measures
- iii. Pond
 - We discussed the pro & cons of leaving the pond aerators on all winter, as was the case in 2020
 - Solitude Lake Management initially recommended that the aerators be turned off to keep ice from being thin. For this reason, aerators will be turned off from December to March.
- c. Treasurer – Jodi
 - i. Review of PL
 - HOA expenses for 2020 are under budget due to budgeted social activities being canceled for COVID
 - ii. New Budget for 2021
 - Treasurer will finalize the 2021 budget to be emailed to all homeowners in Early November
- d. Secretary – Joe
 - Nothing to report
- e. Ken – to include Architectural Requests:
 - i. Approvals
 - Screened-in Porch at 2094 Hammond was pre-approved
 - ii. Dead Ash trees removal (5)
 - \$3000 to remove the trees and grind into mulch for playground
 - iii. Playground proposals
 - Will evaluate replacing railroad ties
- f. Amy
 - Nothing to report
- g. Susan
 - i. Neighborhood recycling project
 - Susan will seek an update from Carolyn Chase on total pounds collected
- New Business
 - a. General
 - i. Recycling information —added to website
 - ii. Trick or Treating in HF?
 - Trick or Treating within COVID guidelines was discussed

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- This graphic was posted on the website



iii. Info on Bee City initiative from Carroll County 10/12/20

- It was agreed that we are favorable to the Carroll County Bee City initiative

iv. Election Process & Proxy Ballot Development

- New candidates are needed
 - Board members will contact several residents who have expressed an interest in running in prior years
 - Secretary will send an email to residents ASAP stressing that more volunteers/nominations are needed to fill the board
- Survey Monkey will be used to conduct the election process

b. Next Meeting 11/26 would be Thanksgiving →11/19?

- Library & Carrolltown Elementary School rooms not available
 - Meetings will be via Zoom
- Next 2 meetings fall on holidays
- Move them to 3rd Thursday
 - 11/19
 - 12/17
- Meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM

Appendix A — Comparison of Trash/Recycling Vendors

Vendor	Annual Cost Per Household ²	Yard Waste	Bulk Pickup	Christmas Tree	Comments
Republic ¹	\$ 215.20	Biweekly	2	2	Can't itemize separate pickups
Fogels	\$ 246.00		1	1	Need to purchase recycling trash can
Hughes	\$ 263.97	Biweekly	2	2	
777	\$ 280.00				Not BBB accredited

¹ All other vendors except Republic charged an additional amount for Christmas Tree and Bulk pickup. Republic gives them to us as part of our service.

² Other vendors' additional costs were calculated into the their net annual price per household.