

Blaire Meadows Subdivision Newsletter

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Welcome New Residents

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome all new residents to Blaire Meadows. Thanks to those reaching out by email and website regarding questions pertaining to our sub. Looking forward to meeting you in person when time allows. Please feel free to contact us if you have any further questions.

Annual Town Hall Meeting

Needless to say the annual Town Hall meeting is on hold until further notice. Hopes are high that we may schedule one for August. All will be contacted by mail once this date and time is set in stone.

Membership Dues

In hopes of lessening some of the financial anxiety facing many of our residents Membership Dues have been postponed until August. Our Treasurer, Martha, reviewed the financials and we are capable of moving forward with our everyday maintenance with no ramifications at this time.

Review of Contractors

Although not done every year this board will review contracts to assure ourselves that we are remaining responsible with sub-division funds. A great amount of time is spent with each contractor provided service. We are very proud of the fact our choices are done with the best interest of Blaire Meadows in mind.

BMHOA reached out to seven different local landscapers seeking quotes for a three year contract involving the maintenance of our commons areas. We received only two quotes from companies interested in providing us with a price with one of those being ADW our current provider. The other company Big Lakes came in very close, price wise, however the deciding factor evolved around the fact ADW provides many residents with lawn care. Unanimous decision was to continue on with ADW for the coming seasons as we have some history and not to disrupt others that may have signed up for this coming years season. Contract signed last month.

Dave Wilcox (VP) set out to receive prices for sprinkler system maintenance and successfully found a contractor capable of providing same service for lower fees. Contract signed last month.

File of Life

We have included with this newsletter a form entitled "File of Life". Simply fill out appropriately and retain this sheet as you can use this recorded information for simple office visits or worse an emergency at home. CTFD does ask for this if First Responders are needed at the home. If needing extra copies for others in your home simply go to our website and print off more copies. Hoping all take the time to complete this.



Holiday Decorating at Island

Easy to understand that some residents were disappointed that no decorations were placed at the island this past holiday season. For many years this was provided by volunteers with the lighting purchased with sub funds. With loss of volunteers over the years an attempt was made for our landscaper to provide the means of hanging lights with those lights being purchased with sub funds. Results of this effort were disappointing as both the quantity and quality of lights did not create a display we had hoped for. Lights returned for refund which is where we stand today. Moving forward this board seeks thoughts and ideas on how to bring this beautification back if there is enough interest from residents. There are companies that decorate with holiday lighting at sub entranceways which is growing in popularity as seen within other subs. Please give it some thought and bring up at next meeting.

Board's Areas of Focus

With 2020 well underway we'd like to share things discussed at our last board meeting held in November and moving forward to this day as we are not meeting for obvious reasons.

- Sign lighting at the exiting side of island not working as the sewer trunk is sinking and has severed the electrical line. This line runs from transformer in the island out to those spotlights. MCRC has been contacted and we have received a job ticket for this as sewer cap needs to be replaced. We are not expecting this to be a priority repair and at the mercy of the MCRC workload.
- Lamp posts paint has been flaking off for some time now and will be needing some attention in the near future. Revision of lights being switched over to LED bulbs.
- Material of signs is breaking down as these have become brittle over time. Twice now volunteers have painted and sealed these and afraid they are reaching the point of disrepair. We have talked about this for some time as the appearance looks good from the distance of your car however up close is when you see the problems.

We are actively retaining prices for this work so that we may plan accordingly as this maintenance will take place over some time. That way funds do not get depleted below a comfortable level.



Thank You!

We would like to take this time and Thank those that have offered their time and talents all in the name of Blaire Meadows. Every resident benefits from these efforts and these folks need to be recognized. Thank You:

- Mr. Louie Gennari for creating the Request for Proposal (RFP) which has been accepted by this board as a straightforward outline of services we expect while reaching out to landscapers for quotes. This RFP was given to each potential landscaper Mr. Gennari contacted seven local companies using customer ratings for his selection by phone and USPS sending out this RFP with return address of Blaire Meadows. No doubt many hours involved here.
- Chris Davies for immediately stepping up to fulfill an open seat with this board as a Trustee. New to this sub last year and jumped in with both feet.
- Martha Powers and Kathy Smith for bringing the fall on by decorating our island for the season. Both creative and talented individuals which are definitely an asset to our sub.
- Jeneene for always having our information board up to date never being reminded to do so. She even took it upon herself to throw a couple wreaths and bows on the signs for the holidays after having these items at home and not being used.

Communications

BMHOA has many means of communication available for residents if a question, concern, even a comment needs to be addressed or heard. With both our website being redesigned and our Facebook page converting to a group in January is just an example of how this board remains easily transparent. With only one newsletter per year we recommend joining our Facebook group as this type of communication is live and updated when needed.

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Become Involved

If you have it in you to become involved with Blaire Meadows board please don't hesitate to contact us. With 26 years behind us now never has anyone approached either past or current board with interest in seeking a seat.

C.O.P. Program



BMHOA highly recommends this useful resource as a means of helping to keep Blaire Meadows safe. CTPD asks residents and businesses across the Township to register their privately owned surveillance camera systems. "Video surveillance is one of the best methods to apprehend criminals and convict suspects in the act of committing a crime. Installing video surveillance is an excellent step toward helping to secure and protect your home, but it can also help the police protect your neighborhood." Simply click <http://chesterfieldpolice.org/video-registration/> to register your cams.

Remain Safe!

BMHOA hopes all remain healthy throughout the course of COVID while remaining resilient. Please follow the orders and suggestions that keeps getting hammered into your heads by the experts. In short it really just comes down to common sense. Something that seems to have fallen by the wayside lately with certain individuals.

STAY SAFE!

