



Meeting Minutes  
September 12, 2012

**Attendees:**

**Heather McVey, Nemishh Mehta, Alison Murray, Penny Wagnon, Zenobia Thomson, Gerri Thomas, Rose Smith, Tracy Joniak, Jerry Philips,**

**Guest: Earl Jacques, State Representative**

The regular meeting of the Brennan Estates Home Owners Maintenance Corporation was called to order at 7:03 p.m. on September 12, 2012 in Olive B. Loss Library by Heather McVey.

Earl Jacques

Del Marva Power will be along Frazier Road placing new cables with coating on them so we will not be losing power during the storms. There may be some traffic issues while this is being installed.

There will be another traffic sign placed along Brennan boulevard. These signs cost \$4,500 a piece and have been paid for by the county. They have been proven more effective than speed traps.

Earl Jacques also brought us lots of free hand outs as well as directories.

Question from Resident:

There was a question of whether we can force all the residents to use one company for trash. Residents can choose the trash company they use.

**Treasurer's Report** – Gerri

BUSINESS CHECKING  
AS OF 7/31/12  
\$113,492.74

REPLACEMENT OF ASSETS

AS OF 7/31/12  
\$74,649.74

SUPER MONEY MARKET  
AS OF 7/31/12  
\$32,561.87

Our Business Checking money \$9,676.94 used from 2011 budget added what we had brings that account to \$42,245.70

June 3 for \$32,561.87 transferred \$9,676.94

August Account \$42,245.70

The Financial Report is available at any time – please contact Gerri Thomas at 302-832-6170.

### **Delinquent Properties** - Penny

Maintenance Dues: Outstanding Balance of \$93,000. This is the amount that has not been paid since April. Thirty-four different home owners have been making payments.

Our concerns: There are 20 people with judgments against them. We cannot get the sheriff to assess them. We filed in April but still have not heard. We have added additional people. Earl Jacques is going to talk to the sheriff. We have paid the attorney's fee, but we are not getting the results. Are there any alternatives? The county is not keeping the money up-to-date. We have been going through the list. The attorney has accrued interest and the balances are not the same. Sometimes everything will go through the attorney. (Gerri) People get a letter from attorney. They try to side-step the county.

### **Old Business**

**Trees-Penny** – Checked into grant. The grant would have been for trimming and planting. We are getting estimates for the trimming. The fees are not that bad. The brush is encroaching on the path at Brennan Boulevard. It needs to be cut back. It is included on the trim. People cannot walk down the sidewalk.

Penny will email quotes to the board members.

There is a tree by the Brennan Estates sign that is dead and needs to be removed

### **Sidewalks** –Jerry

The concrete projects have been marked with an orange “X” that need to be replaced. We are getting bids. If you see any more, please let us know.

## **Playground –**

The playground by the school needs a patch placed on it. The dome with the bubble needs to be replaced with a metal crate. The mulch was not done this year. We will need to do the mulch next spring. We will need to email Ruby about the county rules.

## **Basketball Court Area – Heather**

There was a proposal for the basketball parking lot through Jeff. There would be a permanent 4'W X 12'L X 3'H pressure treated fence behind the sidewalk which would include grass and trees, but not the green. The estimate was for \$3,400. We know his work and that he will stand by it. We are also possibly looking for another play area for the kids.

For the fencing around the basketball court area, we will just take the rails out of the basketball court. Is there a place for them somewhere in the community? If we place a sign on them saying “free” someone will take them.

## **Clean-Up –**

The Meadows gazebo was sprayed with graffiti. Heather painted over the graffiti. It also needs to be repaired. This should be our next project. We need to get a quote.

## **Trash-**

The kids are cleaning it up and doing a good job

## **Deed Restrictions-**

Can we do anything about the solicitors? They need to be registered with the state/county. They need to have a badge with their picture and name on it. You can call the police if they have no badge. They are considered an intruder.

The gas company is placing new meters on the houses in the neighborhood. Just an FYI if you see the employees out and about.

Political signs are allowed to be placed in front yards during the time of elections.

Signs aimed at advertisement are not allowed in home owner yards or in Brennan's open space. If you see signs in the open space, take them down. Contact the county regarding advertising signs in front yard. If a contractor is doing work for a home owner, they may place a sign, it is allowed for 72 hours only.

## **Wish List-**

We need new trash cans. The bigger can would be used for the basketball court. The can from the basketball area would go to the Meadows playground. The bottom of the one in

the Castle playground rotted out. The dog can had no bags in it. We need around 3 replacement cans. We will also need to drill holes in the bottom of the cans so they will drain.

### **Miscellaneous-**

We have problems with parking on Ballina when there are school functions. Residents complain that signs are being blocked as well as the intersection is impeded.

What is the regular schedule for the sweeping of the street? Call George at DelDot...326-4062.

### **New Business:**

There are two seats are open for board members of the Meadows and Terrace.

### **Tennis Court**

We emailed Tony about the cracks in the tennis courts. They are getting worse. They need to be sealed. It should be under guarantee. Jerry is checking into it.

### **Architectural Review** – Heather

House on 22 Lotus Circle replaced their windows with no stripes. There is nothing in deed.

A couple of requests for solar panels. If it is a single home, panels may be placed anywhere. There should be no solar in the town homes. Because the town houses would require that each adjoining neighbor would need support for the panels also.

### **Adjournment:**

Heather motions for the meeting to be adjourned. Nemishh seconded the motion.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

The next general meeting will be at 7:00 p.m. on October 10, 2012 at the Olive B. Loss Library.

Minutes submitted by: Gina Simon

Approved by: