

MUIRFIELD GROUNDS & FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING

July 30th, 2007

Members in attendance: John Catrabone, Chris Curry, Pam Ellinger, Ken Ferrar, Cynthia Reed, Michael Russell, and Walter Zeier.

Meeting was called to order by: Chris Curry

Minutes of Previous Meeting: **June 25th, 2007** approved & accepted 1st by Michael, 2nd by Pam.

OLD BUSINESS

Grounds Projects:

Street Sign Posts Project: As previously mention in our past Minutes for:

June 4th, 2007 (for our month of May meeting): The minutes so stated...

"Most wanted to know the difference in cost between our current 6" x 6" sign posts, and the suggested new 8" x 8" sign posts?"

Walter responded that the cost of our current 6" x 6" sign posts are less than half of the cost, of the proposed 8" x 8" sign posts. And added that the 6" x 6" sign posts are more readily available, than the 8" x 8" sign posts that would most likely have to be a special order to find in cedar. Walter added that he felt cedar is the only way to go to avoid warping and twisting.

Pam stated again, that she's not heard any more concerns regarding the visibility of our street signs since we'd changed the lettering to the *white* glass bead paint, versus the *old cream* color. Then added she couldn't see going to the great expense of the 8" x 8" sign post design.

Cynthia agreed with Pam that it seemed like a great expense for the 8" x 8" sign post.

Mike stated that he thought we should definitely stick to the 6" x 6" size post for better proportion in design.

Gary reiterated that he didn't really see anything wrong with our current street signs.

Chris then asked what we thought about the suggested new bolder block lettering style?"

June 25th, 2007 (for our month of June meeting): The minutes so stated...

"When asked for a show of hands for, those in favor of changing all of our current 6" x 6" street sign posts, to newer 6" x 6" sign posts with the new style larger block lettering for a compromise, for those who still want more visibility?"...

"...It was decided that no recommendation was to be made to the board for changing our street sign posts at this time—at least not until we see our "current street sign post" right next to the "proposed street sign post with larger block lettering" for comparisons of proportion and design.

July 30th, 2007 Many thanks go to our very patient General Manager, Walter Zeier and staff for creating *new* visual sign posts, once again, installed at the end of the parking lot for us to: "see our "current street sign post" right next to the "proposed street sign post with larger block lettering" for comparisons of proportion and design." (As suggested last meeting.)

After much discussion during this meeting, and again on our way out from our meeting to view the *new visual samples of yet more street signs*, the general consensus was still, that we didn't see anything we like better than our current existing signs. Most of the comments were:

- 1) The larger print on the 6" x 6" posts looks way too large and clownish, or
- 2) The larger print on the 6" x 6" posts looks way out of proportion for the size of the post, and we've already decided the 8" x 8" sign posts would be way too unsightly and costly, and not blend in with the integrity of keeping our rural character intent, for our villages original design plan.
- 3) The *current print* on our 6" x 6" posts is way larger than the City of Dublin's current print on their street signs on Muirfield Drive, on the other side of Brand Road. *Why do we feel it is necessary to go even larger?, or*
- 4) Only one committee member actually liked the new suggested larger print on the 6" x 6" posts.

No formal vote was taken at this meeting, and no recommendation was made to make any changes to our current street signs at this time.

Muirfield Drive Median Improvements: Walter stated he has already replaced some of the new plantings in the center median strip. He added, that he is in the process of purchasing approximately \$3200 more for new plantings from end of year sales, which will have a one-year warranty on them for any future problems we may see with that plant material. He then stated that all we can do is wait for the perennials to grow and take shape and form. Asking us to be patient; that with perennials the first year is basically survival, the second year we should see them take shape, and the third year hopefully blossom out fully.

Facilities: Pools & Tennis Courts: Walter noted that both of our swim lesson sessions, Session I, and Session II, were filled to maximum capacity once again this year with 100 participants each session.

Glick Pool: Water Slide: Walter reiterated, installation of our new water slide is still projected for this fall, however, *after* the closing of this pool year, for fewer pool construction interruptions, (instead of the proposed spring installation), due to unexpected inspection mandates, that came from the City of Dublin, after approval from Planning & Zoning.

HRC Pool: Water Spray: Walter also reiterated, that it too will be installed in the fall, *after* the closing of this pool year, for fewer pool construction interruptions. The City of Dublin wants to make sure the water shed will not be affected before we install.

HRC Tennis Courts: Walter stated our tennis courts at the HRC complex have been closed for a while due to some major updates being made this year. Walter added that we've had Armour Paving filling in the cracks with a *new* "patch process" in the pavement, and then resurfacing them with an even top coat for better and longer wear at almost *half the cost* for a whole new surface. Also, we've installed some new poles for the nets, adding that our current nets are sufficient.

NEW BUSINESS

Grounds Projects:

Pathways: Walter stated staff started repaving sections of our pathways this year, where we left off last year, until our budget runs out. He added staff will also be going back and remarking the names of the streets on them thereafter.

Facilities: Pools & Tennis Courts:

Glick Pool & HRC Pool: It is now permitted for children to use floatation devices, noodles, balls, etc. in pools, as approved by our lifeguards. If the pools should become overcrowded at any one time, the lifeguards may request that they all be removed for safety.

Glick Pool & HRC Pool: Sign-Ups for Swim Lessons for next year. Walter stated that he'd heard some comments about parents waiting as long as 1 ½ hours in line to register their children for the proper swim lesson class. He asked if we had any suggestions as to how we could cut that time down, and still allow our teachers individual time to properly interview each child to fit in the proper class?

After much discussion, it was concluded that perhaps next year we should look into an "*online registration*" process, on a first come, first serve basis. This would require that we acquire a way to receive payment online, at the time of registration, on a "*secured site*". Then we could state on the online registration form, that "For all those who have completed "*this class*" (say "guppy class") here at Muirfield Village last year, may move onto the – "*next level class*" by checking this box. However, if your child has completed this class anywhere other than Muirfield Village, please sign up for a time your child may be interviewed by one of our qualified teachers *before* signing up for a specific class. Since the majority of children are moving up here in the village, this means, the lines should be cut way down for those moving into the area, or signing up for the first time.

Glick Tennis Courts: It was brought to our attention that our tennis pavilion area was notably dark, so lighting has been added to better light up the area.

RESIDENTS COMMENTS

Walter stated our office has received a letter from a representative of the Glenbarr Civic Association regarding how they feel it is our responsibility to address the resident's easements shrinking into the pond. Walter stated he is pretty certain those easements, as written in their deed restrictions are not "*our*" easements. We are awaiting proof otherwise.

As discussed previously, it has been our policy to insure each deed, as each developer wrote it, is followed accordingly. To reiterate, our office maintains "only our common grounds" as the deeds so state.

NEXT MEETING ***August 27th, 2007, ***@ 6:00 PM

Meeting Adjourned - Respectively submitted, Cynthia Reed.