

Suffield Meadows CUOA  
Community Dialog and Board of Directors Meeting  
October 23, 2018

Board Members Present: President, John Dunkin; Vice President, Dan Parker; Secretary, Vickie Hylton and Member at Large, Jim Phillips. Absent: Treasurer, Dave Pickersgill

Absent: NRP, LLC Representative, Kristen Isaksen

In Attendance: SM community residents.

John opened the regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. with announcements and Thank You's.

Suffield Meadows lost resident Dick O'Donnell on October 2<sup>nd</sup>. Dick will be missed.

### THANK YOU...

- ...to the SM Social Group for the International Pot Luck Dinner. Food was great, thanks to all the fantastic cooks we have living here! It was a success.
- ...to the Refresh Group for the Clubhouses new look.
- ...to Barbara Kluge, Mary Lowe and Maria Dominguez for the plantings at the Arbors' and entrance to Suffield Meadows.
- ...to Bob and Kathleen Lynch for the beautiful potted mums, used for their son's wedding, and donated to SM for all of us to enjoy.

### COMMUNITY DIALOG...

- **ANNUAL MEETING** will be held November 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. with registration beginning at 6:30 p.m.
- **ANNUAL BUDGET PROCESS** is underway. Dave, SM treasurer, is presently out of town but the Budget meetings should commence next week. All residents are welcome to attend.
- **AERATION AND SEEDING** has been completed by TruGreen (October 8 – 12)
- **NEW CONTRACTS** have been signed with Holtzman (Arbors I&II), King Contracting (gutter cleaning, Arbors I&II, Clubhouse), Elite Air, TruGreen, Schindler Elevator and Comcast.
- **NATIONWIDE INSURANCE DEDUCTIBLE INCREASE** ~ Because of the Budget Process, the Board renewed the Master Policy, with an increase to the deductible (now \$10K per event). Residents are highly encouraged to contact their private Insurance Company to adjust their policy to reflect this change.
- **GEESE POLICE** ~ The Board declined the contract with Geese Police due to cost, \$13K annually.
- **WISH LIST UPDATE:**
  - Defibrillators ~ Clubhouse and Fitness Center
  - Free-standing outdoor bulletin board
  - Path lighting at Fitness Center (across from Arbors II)
  - Additional table, chairs for pool area
- **ARBORS REPORT** ~ Jim reported 3 windows were recently repaired. Gutter cleaning is next.

## **SOCIAL HAPPENINGS ~ SAVE THE DATE**

- November 11<sup>th</sup>, Veteran's Day ~
  - The flag raising will take place at 8:00 a.m. with coffee and donuts, to follow, in the Clubhouse.
  - Dessert will be served at 7:00 p.m. in the Clubhouse. Bring photos of your Veteran to honor/share.

*All happenings will be announced with details via email and/or flyer.*

**TOYS FOR TOTS COLLECTION** ~ Clint Mullen, Dan and Joanna Parker will once again spearhead this event. As soon as we have information as to when collection begins, there will be 2 boxes located in the Clubhouse for your donations. There will also be a collection site, located in Warrenton, to drop off your donations. More information will be sent to the community as it is received.

**FAUQUIER COUNTY FOOD BANK** ~ Sue Arnold will arrange for a food collection. A box will be in the Clubhouse for donations. The food collection at Suffield Meadows will be from November 1 thru November 19 ONLY. Thanksgiving time is one of their "major needs" times. \$\$ goes a long way when the food bank is purchasing food. **Please make checks payable to the "Fauquier Community Food Bank & Thrift Store" and give to Sue Arnold.** When donating food items, check the expiration date. Expired food will be disposed of.

### **CALL FOR CANDIDATES:**

John invited candidates to speak about their qualifications and desire to volunteer to be a Board member. Two positions will be vacant and voted for. Marvin Sheldon and John Dunkin presented their interest to be voted in. Candidate entries were mailed to each voting owner along with a Proxy form in case they are absent from the Annual meeting and election, November 13<sup>th</sup>

### **COMMUNITY DISCUSSION:**

John announced that a neighbor and owner called him Saturday afternoon, that a car had backed into the drainage ditch beside her home and had to be towed. That happened the late evening of Friday, October 19<sup>th</sup>. She did not get the name of the tow truck company or call the sheriff. Suffield Meadows is private property. This happened on the other side of a roped trail. The car did not belong there whether a resident or not!. Please, if you see something out of the ordinary, call the Sheriff.

Suffield Meadows has had recent break ins to unlocked vehicles. Please, if you must leave your car outside overnight or park in the Arbors' garage, lock your car.

The Sheriff department has been notified and will patrol the area on a more frequent basis. In the meantime, call them if need be. Be safe. Protect your belongings and your neighbors.

*John invited all to join the Board at Work Sessions, second Thursday of each month.*

The meeting concluded at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Vickie Hylton, Secretary