

## LAKES HOA MEETING - 01/07/2015

Attendees: Lisa Hymes Davis, Joe Heltzel, Bob Smith, Larry Tobin, Rick Mauser, Ruth Galbraith, Mark Anderson, Diane DeMeerleer, Lynda White

Reasons for meeting:

1. Trees in wetland
2. Possible transfer of ownership of the park

Mark Anderson reports Scott will get in touch with him tomorrow to let him know if they can take out 20 trees for safety purposes. Will we need an arborist? Tim says trees can be left laid down in the wetland though there may be a couple that will need to be removed. The City of Kent will have an arborist define what trees can be removed.

3. Estimates for tree removal = \$6,000 including drilling stumps and poisoning. And cost of swing is approximately \$8,000.

4. Mark Anderson reports he was tasked with determining costs/procedures for surveying and transfer of park property to the Lakes. The estimate is \$10 to 15K. There is a competitive bid for \$6.5K. Mark brings up topic of liability for the park. Discussion occurs about % of Marina Pointe homeowners for changing their Declaration. Mark mentions that the Lakes could do a 99 year lease and assume liability for the park while the Lakes would assume liability for the park. Marina Point representative, Rick Mauser, indicates he likes option #2 and splitting cost of the first time tree removal. Plan is to talk to an attorney who is already working with Marina Pointe or Lakes. Clarification has to be made about Marina Point liability for injuries if a lease is arranged.

5. Joe indicates concern about who will be responsible for future tree removal. Mark suggests that there be a definition of the area where The Lakes will be responsible for tree removal for park safety. Lisa points out that the Lakes Assoc. represents and receives dues from all the HOAs so it is not a big issue for the Lakes to pay for future tree removal. Other members agree that is a good point.

6. Plan: Step 1 - Marina Pointe will contact their attorney. Step 2 - Information gathered from City of Kent regarding the trees. Step 3 - Survey to define the area. Step 4 - Long-term lease of park section from Marina Pointe to The Lakes.

7. Next meeting: Wednesday, February 4 at 7PM.

Other topics:

1. National Night Out - Lynda White can contact board members via email to ascertain their interest in participating in a community wide event. There are "2,100 doors" in The Lakes community.
2. Community garden - Lynda White will contact the Master Gardeners to discuss how to start a garden club.