

MERIFIELD ACRES LANDOWNER'S ASSOCIATION
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MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 18, 1994 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

The September 18, 1994 Board of Directors' Meeting was called to order by President Margaret White at 3:45 PM at Oak Park, following the Annual Meeting. Those Directors present were: Lee Hummel, Jerry Billingsley, Harry James, Joyce McDowell, Lannie White, Tom Parker, Margaret White, Don Ellington, Frank Clippinger, Tom Lilly, Merlin Huff, John Floreth, Mike Chendler, and Josh Bowen, making a quorum. Also in attendance were Dennis Hayes and Ed Smart.

The first order of business was the election of new officers. Lannie White, Nominating Committee Chair, presented the committee's slate of:

Margaret White	for President
Frank Clippinger	for Vice President
Josh Bowen	for Secretary
Lee Hummel	for Treasurer

Harry James made a motion that the nominations be closed and the slate of officers be elected as presented. After being seconded, the motion was voted with unanimous approval.

Margaret White proceeded to name some committee chairmen for the coming year, as follows:

Security Committee	Merlin Huff
Forestry Committee	Charlie Case
Information Committee	Jim Morgan
Letters Committee	George Holzworth
Common Facilities Committee	Ed Smart
Title Research Committee	Tom Parker

In addition, other committees and/or representatives are planned, including a Liaison Committee to address problems relating to adherence to the restrictive covenants, a Zoning Hearing representative, and a representative to provide liaison between MALA and the Corps of Engineers.

Margaret White asked for a special meeting to be held on November 6, 1994 at 1 PM at Oak Park to provide indoctrination for the new Directors and to commence planning for next year's activities and budget.

Several miscellaneous matters were discussed. The gist of the topics mentioned related to the scarcity of funds to accomplish the perceived work needing to be done. It was pointed out that dues had not changed in many years although 181 houses are now occupied and the need for additional services keeps increasing if the quality of our community is to be maintained. At present, dues can be increased by 10% per year. At some point the work hours for maintenance services will have to be increased. Earlier in June it was decided to amortize the cost of the wood chipper by selling it to Dennis Hayes in return for his excess hours worked; so, during this winter his work in the forestry area could be charged against the cost of the chipper. In the long term planning, it is necessary to consider the upgrade of the roads, the mowing, and the wood removal

as continuing and possibly increasing expenses. It was suggested that community security might be accomplished by a Community Watch Program or the use of volunteers from our membership. The chief concerns expressed related to the need for MALA to reduce the cost of services provided, to cut back on the services provided, or to increase the dues to cover the costs involved.

If the planning activities clearly point up the need for increased dues above the present limitation of the annual assessment to \$100 for unimproved lots and \$160 for improved lots (i.e., with completed dwellings), it would require the membership to agree to change the present covenants.

On a motion by John Floreth, properly seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 4:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Josh Bowen

Joshua S. Bowen,
Secretary