

## **The 23rd Annual Meeting Report**

The Twenty-Third Annual Meeting of the Edgewater Estates Property Owners Association, Inc. was held Saturday, October 19, 2013, at the Milton Library on Union Street in Milton, DE.

The meeting was called to order by President Bernard Fiegel at 10:30 am. Board Members in attendance were: Dean Dey, Nancy Tartaglione, Neil Schreck and Pat Lawson. Architectural Review Committee Chair John Otroba was also in attendance. Not present were Barbara Mudryk and Dave Schiff, committee members-at-large.

Residents in attendance: (14) with (6) Board Members and (1) Committee Chair bringing the total to 21. The resident participation at the meeting was a decrease from the previous year.

### **President and Committee Reports**

**President** - The president welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced the directors along with the committee chairs. He thanked Marlene Huguenin, who was resigning as a Director, for her 10 years of service. The president also announced that David Schiff was a new member-at-large, and David and his wife, Marcie, had agreed to be the new Neighborhood Watch Co-Chairs. Neither was present.

President Fiegel had received a form titled *Imagine a Litter Free Delaware* and encouraged all residents to continue cleaning up trash wherever they see it.

The house at 31105 Edgewood Drive was recently purchased by Bank of America at a sheriff's sale.

Underage drivers on golf carts is still an issue, and residents are urged to notify the police when they observe them.

An unauthorized letter which had been left on a vehicle at the boat ramp was addressed in the last RIPRAP.

The yearly snow removal contract has been signed. A refund from the state goes toward any costs from this; however, this refund is dependent on the money available from the state.

**Architectural Review-** John Otroba, Chair. Permits and plans were approved for the following: (1) new construction (3) fences (2) sheds (3) house additions and (3) pools.

**Grounds and Buildings-** Neil Schreck, Chair. There was one issue with lawn-cutting at a house that was in foreclosure. The Bank of America now owns the property. There will be a notice about new keys for the boat ramp sent out in January.

**Web Site** - Neil Schreck. The site contains information from the by-laws, covenants, and minutes from meetings. The RIPRAP will also be put on this site.

**Directory** - Pat Lawson, Chair. Eight new families have moved in, and an up-date to the directory will be sent to all residents.

Pat also reminded everyone to print and fill out correctly the slip at the bottom of their dues letters for her to verify information for all residents.

Pat also made a plea for help from residents for committee work, and Dolores Fiegel provided a sign-up sheet for anyone who is interested. Pat reminded everyone that without help and interest from the residents, the possibility always exists that a management company might have to be brought in which would be an added expense.

**Neighborhood Watch** - David and Margie Schiff, Co-Chairs. In their absence, President Fiegel reported that it has been quiet with only one suspicious vehicle being observed. Two car thefts close to Minos Conaway Road were reported in Nassau Grove.

**Resident Emergency Ride Program** - Pat Lawson, Chair. A few residents have availed themselves of this service which is for medical requests only. Nancy Tartaglione reported on a new Senior Transportation Cooperative that is being formed. Pat Lawson will be a contact for that.

**RIPRAP** - Bernie and Dolores Fiegel. The newsletter is put out 2-3 times a year, and Dolores now has updated it so it is easier to format. Anyone who has any information they would like to have included should contact the Fiegels.

**Treasurer's Report** - Pat Lawson presented the report for fiscal year October 1, 2012, through September 30, 2013. The Cash Reconciliation Review was conducted by

Susan leppert. A fee for the audit was added for the calendar year 2012-2013. Proposed budget for October 1, 2013, through September 30, 2014, was submitted and approved.

**New Business** - A resident had contacted the president about securing one trash hauler for the neighborhood. Last year a resident had investigated that possibility from 3 local trash haulers and had found that they required 100% participation from residents. In addition, it would require a 2/3 vote of the residents to approve it. In the discussion most agreed that it would be a very difficult thing to accomplish; however, if there is a volunteer who would like to pursue it, that would be fine.

**Old Business** - A question was asked about the resurfacing of the roads. The president reported that his inquiries to DELDOT and to local officials found that there is no money available. He was also told that the condition of the roads in EE at this point does not warrant any action.

Another question concerned the natural gas availability. Nancy Tartaglione read from a Cape Gazette article telling about delays for all private residences. At this point, EE is not even on their radar.

A question about building a small walk/dock at the boat ramp was brought up. The discussion centered on how small the lakefront was and how EE did not own out into the lake. Another problem with it was how it could possibly block adjoining neighbors' views.

### **Nominations for Directors**

Barbara Mudryk was elected as a Director unanimously to a 3 year term.

**Meeting adjourned at 11:40am. Next Annual Meeting-Saturday, October 18, 2014.**

