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YARDLEY VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING**Wednesday, AUGUST 31, 2011****COUNCIL SESSION:****Meeting called to order @ 09:50 by President Joe Ciasullo****Attendees: Joe Ciasullo, Joane McNamara, Art DiGuseppe, Al Zuccarello, Dick Mortimer, and Janet Burgess/CSK****GENERAL DISCUSSION: OLD/NEW BUSINESS****the Minutes of July 27, 2011 Approved 5/0.**

***Minutes format, as evolved, elicited lively discussion. The term 'Council Session' will replace 'Executive Session' and those Minutes to be attached to Council & Committee Minutes for more complete public information and transparency.**

***Vanguard Brokerage Account:**

Joe, Art, and Janet discussed delays in account's apparent requirement that their 3 medallion signatures now be documented in unison to satisfy latest rules/regulations and restrictions of Vanguard, and may apply to all large institutions.

***Stormwater Culverts:**

>KHov has taken no action since receiving Yardley's mid-June status report, forwarded by East Goshen Twp on/about June 20. EGT still holds KHov's bond (amount ??) and will not release to KHov until repairs are effected.

>Question arose re: many rear yard culverts close to decks, patios, etc, containing standing water as mosquito breeding sites during lulls of hard rains. Decision to let heavy rains take their course.

***Water Intrusions, Etc - RESIDENT BUSINESS:**

>Hurricane Irene's deluges responsible for a variety of 11-12 problem reports (some were previous problems):

Carstensen -1630, Falcone -1642, McReynolds -1749, Kirsch -1709, Brophy - 1695, Hall -1737, McIlwraith -1686, Cooke -1643, Trump -1615, Gold - 1708, Woodley -1746.

>Topic of gutters ensued (especially with 4" dia downspouts) being overwhelmed by continuous torrential downpours onto larger roof surfaces with steeper slopes cascading their overflows directly to foundations. Consensus 6"x6" is best; gutter guards can block openings - especially on roofs with significant pitch.

>Other significant concern is roof leaks, and especially basement leaks of unknown origin, suggested as possibly related to ground over-saturation, and raising the underground watertables & underground streams in certain areas, engaging those homes at seams, joints, or cracks in their basement floor (aka hydrostatic pressure around/under foundations).

>Joe and Janet discussed need for timely response to homeowners with these problems, action where solutions are known.

***Yardley Village Incorporation:**

The Articles of Incorporation were received from YV solicitor Gilbert E Toll, Esq.; council signed off on the document.

***New Residents' Welcome Packet:**

Joane advised they're ready for the inaugural distribution to all homes, then to new residents as they arrive.

10:00A COUNCIL & COMMITTEES MEETING

Called to order by President Joe Ciasullo

Attendees: Joe Ciasullo, Joan McNamara, Art DiGuseppe, Al Zuccarello, and Janet Burgess/CSK - with Tony Bruno-Architectural Committee and Mary Ellen Marra-Landscaping Committee.

NEW BUSINESS:

***CSK Management Agreement 2012 received for review. Tabled for email**

response; Dick Mortimer left the meeting @ 09:45 for prior medical appointment.

***Postal numerals mounted on mailbox OK, but mailbox design impractical; current 4" reflective numerals OK post-mounted, but must be clear of vegetation and unobstructed!!**

OLD BUSINESS:

***Joe discussed mulch pushed onto & covering exposed foundation, subsequent possible wicking and voidance of KHov Warranty. Too late for September's YV News, Joe will address in October edition. Joe seeks to have YV News delay its publishing timetable by a week to allow for latest Council & Committee Meetings to dispense the latest input and advisements to residents.**

***Received note from USPS carrier requesting to have tree limbs overhanging mailboxes trimmed back - problem of branches (at times wet) engaging both vehicle & carrier.**

***Village of Yardley Neighbor's Acknowledgement form to be reviewed. Does not reflect current procedures re: its statement that signatures of neighbors neither imply approval/disapproval.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE - Tony Bruno:

***Garage Door Painting - labor intensive and expensive. Factory baked-on-enamel colors practically match and preferable.**

***1746 -Woodley needs diverters for gutter overflow issue.**

***1737 -Hall had gutter issue repaired (downspout pulled out of underground receptacle connection) and diverter installed. Also, requests faded shutters to be rejuvenated with a protective coating product. Tony researching.**

***1704 -Schmit deck issue resolved with 2 ft width enlargement to 15' (x 24').**

LANDSCAPING COMMITTEE - Mary Ellen Marra:

***Budget passed to Janet. Mary Ellen advised by Joe, regardless of Budget, if something is necessary and needs doing - it'll be done.**

***Boulevard Trees rapidly becoming an issue. Some already too large for the postage stamp plot they were planted, overhang gutters & streets, mailboxes, etc. Their root systems becoming problems with sidewalk lifting & underground stormwater piping.**

***Evergreens will need scheduled pruning by 2013.**

***Reiterated est 20 homes where plantings obscure mailbox post numerals. List will be sent to Janet for advisement letters.**

SOCIAL COMMITTEE - Joane McNamara:

***Tides Inn Resort trip coming to fruition.**

***Advised Decorating Cmte will be placing flags at both E/W entrances re: 9/11's tenth anniversary.**

MEETING ADJOURNED 11:00A

NEXT MEETING: *Revised to September 30, 2011

Council Session 09:00A; YV Council & Committee Reports 10:00A

Respectfully Submitted,

**Al Zuccarello
Secretary**

ADDENDUM from Joane:

Action List - August 31, 2011

***Joe - Put notice in Newsletter re: mulch around foundation.**

***Janet -**

- 1. Report on cost of cleaning out gutters.**
- 2. Follow up with Rick Smith re: notification to KHov re: culvert repair.**
- 3. Send Landscaping budget balance to Mary Ellen.**

***Tony -**

- 1. Investigate cost of painted garage doors and report to Council.**
- 2. Attempt to find cleaning product for shutters similar to the one that was discontinued.**

***Mary Ellen -**

- 1. Check with Mike re: problematic trees.**
- 2. ID homes that have mailbox numbers covered by plantings. Send list to council and to CSK for letters to be sent.**