# Dawson Landing Homeowners Association Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

The meeting convened Thursday, 12 November, at 7:35 pm. The following persons participated:

**Board Members Present** 

Absent

William Rigby (President)
Virginia Rockleman (ARB Chair)
Robin Borum (Treasurer)
Tom Booth (Member)
Jack Samar (Member)

Waymond Arnett (Vice President/Secretary)

Residents/Guests:

Six homeowners from the community attended the semi-annual meeting.

### 1.0 Welcome & Administrative Matters

1.1 William Rigby convened the meeting

### 2.0 Committee Reports/Recommendations

- 2.1 Minutes for Oct 09 were not available. The October meeting was cancelled due severe traffic that prevented board members from getting to the meeting.
- 2.2 Treasurer's Report
  - 2.2.1 Robin Borum provided both the October and November 09 treasurers statements.
  - 2.2.2 As of 12 November 09 total assets are \$125,317. Report submitted for record and approved on voice vote.
- 2.3 Architectural Review Board
  - 2.3.1 Virginia Rockleman provided an overview of the ARB process and a report on total requests received to date for 2009. Through Nov 09 the ARB responded to 12 disclosure packet requests for transfer of ownership of homes in the community. A discussion was held on how the ARB works on compliance issues for properties that fail to meet the ARB standards.
  - 2.3.2 Report submitted for record and approved on Voice vote.
- 2.4 Landscaping-
  - 2.4.1 Tom Booth provided a review of the HOA board actions to solicit new bids for the landscaping maintenance for 2010. He reported that three companies had responded to the landscaping request for bid. The current company submitted a bid and to new companies provided bids.
  - 2.4.2 A discussion was held on what new or repair landscaping actions the board should consider. Mr. Rigby recused himself from the discussion and any votes based on concerns by some members of the community. A general discussion was held on priorities for landscape improvement or replacement. Discussion was held on if the HOA should provide additional landscaping along Rippon Blvd or on other common areas within the community. Attending homeowners voiced the opinion that the board should not consider any new landscaping actions along Rippon Blvd. One homeowner whose property is adjacent to Rippon Blvd stated that it did not make sense to spend HOA funds on landscaping of Rippon Blvd until the county completes all roadwork.
  - 2.4.3 Mr. Rick Riccardelli recommended that the HOA contact the Prince William County Master Gardner program to obtain advice on options to improve the landscaping on the HOA community lots.

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#### 3.0 Old Business

3.1 The board considered the landscaping bids submitted, but decided to defer a vote until the December meeting to make a selection from the 3 bids submitted. No other old business was brought forward for this meeting.

#### 4.0 New Business

- 4.1 Mr. Robin Borum brought the idea emplacing solar powered floodlights for the community entrance signs along Rippon Blvd. Board members and residents generally agreed this was good idea. It was determined that board members would look into options and costs for this and discuss further at the next meeting.
- 4.2 One of the homeowners brought the issue of asking the county to consider emplacing traffic lights at the intersection of Rippon Boulevard and Blackburn Road. A short discussion on the merits of this idea ensued. It was noted that a traffic light may improve the minor backups that occur at the stop signs during peak traffic times that coincide with the VRE schedules. The board noted this idea was previously discussed and determined that the current 4 way stop intersection provided more safety for children crossing and required all vehicles to stop. With a traffic light at the bottom of two hills a concern was voiced that drivers might actually speed up to make the light rather than proceeding at a slower rate and being required to stop. No motion was offered and the idea was tabled.
- 4.3 Next meeting is scheduled for 7:30 P.M. Thursday, December 10, 2009 in the Woodbridge Supervisor's conference room at the Ferlazzo Building.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:20 PM