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ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the Spruce Hill Farms Property Owner's Association was held at the pool pavilion on Saturday, June 9th, 2012.

The minutes were read from last year's meeting. Reports were made by the various committee heads, which will be explained further.

Three board member positions were up for election (John DeLisa, Eileen O'Toole, and Peter Ruggiero). Peter Ruggiero did not want to run for another term. John and Eileen stated they would run for another term. Nominations were requested from the floor. Leslie Bates was nominated. No other nominations were submitted so no vote was needed to fill the positions up for election.

Following the regular meeting, the board met and decided who was to fill which position.

BOARD MEMBERS AND ELECTED OFFICERS FOR 2012-13

President: Susan Gebase

Co-Vice President: John DeLisa, Legal

Co-Vice President: Richard Bubb, Insurance

Newsletter Editor & Corresponding Secretary: Leslie Bates

Recreation: Mike Aleksich

Roads: Grover Cleveland

Civic Liaison & Recording Secretary: Gloria Brady

Members-At-Large: Eileen O'Toole

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Non-Board Member Appointments:

Webmaster: Peter Ruggiero

Financial Secretary, Treasurer/Bookkeeper: Wendy Robinson

ROADS

The Roads Chairman, Grover Cleveland, reported that the grading of Birch was finished and pipes have been installed. He stated one more pipe needs to be installed. In addition, potholes have been filled in and more work will be done over the summer, for example putting down more gravel.

FINANCIALS



The Treasurer, Wendy Robinson gave her report with an overview of our expenses. She stated we had a good year as we were well within budget.

POOL

As everyone remembers there was a special meeting held, following the Annual Meeting last year, where repairs to the pool were discussed. It was decided to close the pool for the 2012 season to repair



the pool. Mike Aleksich stated the pool and the bathrooms are currently closed and the repair work is in progress of being scheduled. A deal is being worked out with the contractor to do the pool opening and the repairs at the same time to save money. The repairs are estimated to be about \$12,000 to \$14,000 and will take about two weeks. He also stated that there will be some upgrades to the pool area to make it look nice. For example, painting the picnic tables and possibly replacing the current jungle gym. He will be obtaining bids for the upgrade work locally and will ask for volunteers. We are planning to have a gathering when the pool re-opens.



Homeowners requested names of people who are looking for work:

Some homeowners are looking for people to hire to help them clear their lots of tree debris, etc. If anyone is interested in doing this type of work, they should post a sign at the pool and on our website.

Message from our President, Susan Gebase

Susan stated to call our Association phone number at (570) 595-7771 if you have any questions, comments, or problems. We have received some calls in regards to fencing and property lines; the board does not handle this. If you have these types of questions, please call the county. Work done in the community is voted on and the members will be made aware of any work that is being done.

In addition to this, if you don't let the board know about any suggestions, comments, problems, and/or changes you may have in regards to our community, we can't do anything about it. If you let us know, we will do the best we can to act upon it. Community members are welcome to attend the regular board meetings, usually held at the pool pavilion. The meeting dates and times are posted on the Association web page.

Email addresses requested

We have a list of 37 email contacts. This list is a great way to inform homeowners of things that might need immediate attention, etc. Please contact Leslie Bates at leslie1279@hotmail.com with your email address if you would like to be kept up to date via email.

Association Website:

The website for our Association is for all community members. If there is something you want to see on the website or a message you would like posted, contact our webmaster, Peter Ruggiero at webmaster@sprucehillfarms.org.

Loose Dogs:

There have been reports of loose dogs visiting members of the community on a regular basis. Remember, when dogs are out of the house, they must be leashed at all times, and kept under the owner's control.



Spruce Hill Spruce Up:

Thanks to all who have worked independently or collectively to pick up litter on our roads. Those who are littering please realize the burden you are putting on others to keep our community clean. Please make a conscience effort not to litter and try to keep our community a beautiful and vibrant place to live.

SPEED LIMIT SIGNS: Comply with our 20 MPH speed limit and keep our roads safe for our children, pets, and our wildlife. Please keep the dust down.

**NEXT ANNUAL MEETING – JUNE 8, 2013
@ 11 AM
TO BE HELD AT THE SHF POOL
PAVILION**

**HOPE EVERYONE IS
ENJOYING THEIR
SUMMER!**

