## Clay Creek Gardens (CCG) Homeowners Association (HOA)

The semi-annual meeting of the CCG HOA homeowners was called to order by Sue Kennedy, CCG HOA President, on Saturday, April 17, 2019. The meeting was held on the lawn next to the HOA Gazebo on Takelma Way.

## Members in attendance:

Board:		Other Addresses Attending/Proxy
Sue Kennedy	2703 Mickelson Way	2666 Takelma Way, 2674 Takelma Way,
Frank Sobotka	2664 Takelma Way	2682 Takelma Way, 2690 Takelma Way,
Gayle Church	2669 Takelma Way	2694 Takelma Way, 2705 Takelma Way,
Jessalyn Jones	2725 Clay Creek Way	2710 Takelma Way, 2726 Takelma Way,
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Committees:		2681 Clay Creek Way 2688 Clay Creek Way,
Michael Church	(2669 Takelma Way)	2688 Clay Creek Way, 2692 Clay Creek Way
Rachel Owings	2693 Clay Creek Way	2683 Mickelson Way, 2699 Mickelson Way,

Sue Kennedy called for the reading of the minutes from the last board meeting on March 15, 2019. Secretary Frank Sobotka reported that all homeowners were notified that the minutes were posted on the CCG HOA web site.

Sue Kennedy then called for the financial report. Gayle Church distributed a copy of the current financial report. She stated that there were no dues in arrears; significant expenditure of funds during the first quarter included the new gazebo roof and the bark in the parking strips along Takelma Way. It was noted that some of the year dates were incorrect on the report; Gayle stated that she would correct them.

## **Committee Reports**

Tree Committee (Sue Kennedy, Mick Church, Taylor Smith): Sue Kennedy stated that all trees within CCG HOA have been assessed and those considered possibly problematic have been identified. Although initially recommended at past meetings that a plan be developed for removing/replacing trees in a scheduled manner, the committee and board decided to address the trees on a "tree-by-tree" basis when required, this includes the trimming of the Sycamores. This is due to constraints associated with the city of Ashland's arbor codes. Currently there are only four tree types that can be used in parking strips that are within the CCG subdivision.

**Garden/NERT** (Leslie Stoddard): Leslie was absent but Frank Sobotka read information that Leslie provided via email. She is still looking for someone to takeover duties of the Garden

and someone for the Neighborhood Emergency Response Team. The garden plots are all being used and there is a need to help clear out the weeds. Also, the damaged fence was discussed. Ian MacCoubrey and Frank Sobotka are working with the Clay Street homeowner on getting the fence repaired. There was a question regarding getting the water turned back on in the garden area. Karen Rogers stated that the landscape maintenance owner, Leo, is supposed to work on that next week. Frank Sobotka said that he would check on getting the garden's water on.

**Landscape** (Karen Rogers/Jessalynn Jones): Jessalynn reported that approximately 28 individuals worked on beautifying the neighborhood this morning. The following worked on various projects throughout the subdivision:

Jessalynn Jones, Viki & Dick Ashford, Karen Rogers, Alice & Ian MacCoubrey, Kimberly Kovak & Matthew Leeks, John Mark & Helena Turner, (who also volunteered to take on responsibility for maintaining the path to Clay Street), Tom Lamoree, Bill Gholson, Chad Sobotka & Rachel Ownings, Frank & Carol Sobotka, Kim Knoll, Geri Severson, Mick & Gayle Church, Paul Westhelle & Patty Grant, Taylor Smith, Jamie Hutchison, Terry & Jennifer Longshore, Martin Ball, Robin Thompson. If someone's name was omitted, please inform the Secretary. A special thank you to Alice & Ian for their continued work to clear the creek area, to John Mark & Helena for the great job on the path to Clay Street, Tom & Jaime for their work in the garden, Ian and John Mark for clearing the black bags of foam material that were dumped on the berm, and the board gave a special thank you to Karen Rogers who has been diligent in keeping many areas trimmed, neat and clean throughout the year.

The committee once again emphasized that pulling weeds is not in Leo's contract or area of responsibility. It would be helpful if all homeowners pitched in to keep weeds under control. John Mark stated that they removed a lot of rocks from the Clay Street path stacked them near the Takelma Way entrance; anyone wanting them can help themselves.

Architecture Control Committee (Frank Sobotka, Rachel Owings, Robin Thompson): Frank Sobotka reminded residents that there is a process in the By-Laws and the Covenants, Conditions & Restrictions regarding all architectural standards and guides that homeowners are required to follow. The CCG subdivision developers, as required by the city of Ashland and the state of Oregon, instituted these. Considering repainting your house? Redoing your front yard, remodeling your house where it affects the exterior? Please read the guidelines that are on the CCG HOA website: <a href="http://www.claycreekgardens.org">http://www.claycreekgardens.org</a> (ByLaws, CCRs and Documents – Architectural Guidelines).

Old Business: None

## **New Business:**

Sue Kennedy reported the condition of mailboxes on Clay Creek Way. Several weeks ago USPS workers were repairing the mailboxes. Evidently a person or persons attempted to gain entry into the mailboxes and damaged them to the point that they are vulnerable to being completely unusable. She stated that she has researched replacements and they are quite expensive, in the neighborhood of \$4000. Jessalynn Jones made a motion to allocate \$4200 toward the purchase of new secure mailboxes for Clay Creek Way; seconded by Kim Knoll. All were in favor.

Dick Ashford mentioned that he had submitted an email last year regarding starting a Neighborhood Watch program here. Frank Sobotka apologized for not following up on that request. Residents expressed some interest in looking at the program so Dick said he will do further research on it since it is a nation-wide program.

Several homeowners wanted to know if the board could establish a fall date for the next work day & meeting. Although some individuals thought it might be too early, the board members decided having a tentative date would help people with their personal family schedules. The tentative date is October 19, 2019; if needed, a back-up date may be the following Saturday.

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 5:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Frank Sobotka Secretary, Clay Creek Gardens Home Owners Association