

## Mountain Laurel Estates HOA Meeting 6/13/16

Meeting start time: 7:00pm

9 Households in attendance + 5 represented on the board and with 38 proxies, there is enough to reach quorum. The meeting notes from last year were reviewed and there was no objection to the meeting notes. A motion was entered to accept the votes

### Budget Review:

- Negative various is due to a single home declaring bankruptcy.
- No money spent on legal fun this past year – used to cover in case there is a need for services
- Light pole rental is not generally billed from town, but we need to carry money on the books for the next year
- Insurance costs stay around the same per year. Needed to protect the board members and to protect the common property.
- Majority of the money is spent on landscaping (upkeep)
- Other is general improvements, which was drained previously to redo the front entrance. Need to build up budget is the major reason for the increase in dues.
- Administrative fees remain low.
- ½ of the dues have been received so far, with the exception of what received during the meeting.

### Old business

- Drainage continues to be an issue coming off of rt 102 down autumn. Bob has written to the state about this issue with no response back.

### New Business

- Abandoned property – maintenance issue with grass. The board was able to receive permission to continue to cut the grass. There is a list of members who will be cutting the grass on a bi-weekly basis.
  - Bank will not maintain it until they own it out which could take a while.
- Town does have an ordinance to maintain the lawn height – This could take a legal process through the town and building inspector. Bob will call the inspector to find out about the process for maintenance.
- Street sweeping has not come through the neighborhood yet. Mike will contact the hwy dept.
- Pine trees – need to contact the town again about the pines on autumn. Mike will contact the hwy dept. about the visibility issue.
- Laurel Ridge/Tamarack - No dumping of leaves into homeowner's property. It's where the drainage ditch is. Need to follow-up with landscaper to make sure this is not happening.

- In the future, a fence will be put at the end of autumn to continue the theme from the front. An additional benefit will be to keep the kids back from sledding there, destroying the plants.
- New neighborhood sign will be placed at the end of laurel ridge/plane rd.

#### Introduction of officers

- Current slate of officers has volunteered to stay on for the next year.
- Motioned entered to keep board

Meeting adjourned at 7:36pm