DEVON HILLS HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT'S MEMO - OCTOBER 2018

1) The board reviewed and approved Sept. minutes and 3rd quarter financials. Tree removals and pond pump / light replacement were larger-than-normal expenses this year.

2) Lights beside the pond have not been working recently, and our contractor has been called to assess whether they can be repaired again. We are aware that these lights may need to be replaced soon.

3) Security camera system - Recently we have experienced a number of auto entries, and a car theft. Dick Krebs (property manager) and Dave Howard (our web master and I.T. expert) found what we believe is a very affordable and efficient security system, provided by Flock Safety. It is a cellular system which will photograph all automobiles and individuals entering and leaving our neighborhoods - reading and storing license plates even at night. Any residents who don't want their license plates photographed and stored can "opt out" — photos of their license plates will be automatically deleted.

The cost is \$4500 per year, and a two year contract is required. Although this a relatively large expense, the board voted to approve. We moved ahead on this because this price was only available until next week, and also because we feel it is important to have the system installed before the Christmas season, when mail, Fed-ex, and UPS deliveries will increase. Even with the unexpected expenses of pond pump and tree removals, we have funds to cover this.

4) We are continuing our entrance-ways beautification, hedge trimming, and tree planting in stages over the next few months.

4) The Neighborhood Gathering scheduled for this Saturday, Oct. 27, from 4 until 7PM in the common area at the corner of Devon Valley and Glenway was discussed. Board members will provide tables, fire-pit, and "treats" for trick-or-treaters. We hope everyone can attend, and bring their own beverages and snacks. "Pot-luck" is welcomed. We will send out info on a possible "rain date" if the weather doesn't cooperate.

5) Drainage berms in South Highlands were found to contain yard waste, and there is evidence that someone has attempted to alter the berms by digging. It is important for residents to refrain from dumping yard waste into berms, and no one should attempt to alter the berms. They were designed by engineers to carry water away from our homes. They must be kept free of leaves, grass cuttings and other materials, and should not be altered by home-owners.

The board will meet again on November 12. Please join us this Saturday for our Community Gathering. Trick-or-treaters are invited to wear their Halloween costumes ! We hope to see everyone there !

We always welcome your input. Email us at <u>boardofdirectors@devonhillshoa.com</u>

Thanks ! Rob Crosby Hoar - president