## Devon Hills Home Owners Association President's Memo - July 2018

- 1) The board did not meet in June. May minutes were reviewed and approved.
- During June the board conducted business via email. It was agreed that our neighbor, Steve Cox, will be hired on an hourly basis to take care of lawn care not covered under our contract with Total Lawn Care.

A resident's request to erect a privacy panel outside his master bath window was approved.

A memorial plaque was placed by the tree planted in memory of Rick Osgood, our board president, who passed away this year while serving.

A resident's request to plant 4 Japanese Maples along her property line was approved. The removal of two unhealthy trees on common area in North Highlands was approved. The clearing of a fallen willow tree by our pond was approved.

A "friendly reminder" was mailed to a resident regarding parking on the street.

- Last quarter's financial statement was reviewed and approved.
- 4) The manager's report was reviewed.
- Several issues were discussed :
- A) We have asked Synergy, our property manager, to have someone look at a cedar tree in the common area at Devon Valley Drive @ Glenway Drive which appears to be unhealthy, in the hope that something can be done to preserve the tree.
- B) Board members have no new information regarding a proposed expansion of the storage facility behind Krogers. Residents with information are encouraged to contact the board.
  - C) Synergy has complained to Total Lawn Care about maintenance of dog waste stations.
- D) An eroded area in North Highlands' common area was inspected by the board. We have a bid on a drainage system to correct the problem. The board has asked Synergy to get a quote from an engineer to further inspect the situation to be sure a drainage system is the best and least expensive solution.
- E) A large shrub by the pond which has dead branches and over-grown vines was discussed. The board will ask Steve Cox to "clean up" the shrub by cutting out dead branches and removing the vines.
- F) Several residents have complained about the appearance of our entrance-ways. The board believes that irrigation systems are the only way to significantly improve these areas as some plants and flowers require more water during hot and dry months. Synergy has obtained quotes from two companies which are in the \$40,000 range, not including water bills, meters, and maintenance. This large expense could be discussed at our annual meeting.

Board member Sandy Williamson has devoted much time and energy to over-seeing planting, landscaping and contracting, and we thank her for all her good work!

- G) A request to "top" or remove several trees (at owner's expense) which are causing moisture damage to property was approved.
- H) The board discussed an incident which occurred this Spring in North Highlands; people were recorded by a private security camera entering an unlocked car. We would like to remind residents to lock cars!

The board will meet again in August. We are always interested in your thoughts and ideas on improving our community. Please email us at: <a href="mailto:boardofdirectors@devonhillshoa.com">boardofdirectors@devonhillshoa.com</a>.

Thank you! — Rob Crosby Hoar, President