



provider and offers more services. Community member, Herb French, mentioned that there are trees in the west park that may need trimming. Nelly will contact the new provider to request a bid for this service.

- ✧ **A newsletter** will be mailed out next week.
- ✧ **The community wide garage sale** is scheduled for Saturday, May 2, 2009. It was suggested that the listing in the newspaper include information stating that this is a community wide garage sale.
- ✧ **Vice-President Pete Meyers** reported on the lighting at the front entrance. The center island has 2 fixtures and 1 flag pole fixture that are broken. The front wall lights also need replacing. The budget is in place to purchase these lights. A final cost will be submitted to the board for approval and the lights will be ordered. Pete will do the installation of the lights with help from any available volunteers. Paint is available for touch-up of the wall if needed.
- ✧ **Director Robert Peters** has surveyed the damage to the gates at the east and west canal bordering Lake Washington Rd. and the fence at the parks. The large gate at the east canal is commercial grade and is in good condition. The smaller gate at the east canal is residential grade and is damaged and should be replaced with commercial grade. The fence at the east park has also been damaged and should also be replaced with commercial grade fencing. The large gate at the west canal has been damaged, most likely by a large vehicle. It is doubtful that this can be repaired and a quote will be obtained for removal and re-installation of the post. Homeowner Jim Day will attempt to straighten the gate out in the meantime. A homeowner has observed young people congregating in the parks in the evenings. The board will consider placing signs in the parks stating “park closed from dusk to dawn” in order to discourage loitering and vandalism. Robert Peters will obtain quotes for gate and fence repairs and submit information to the board for discussion. A question was raised regarding gates behind a homeowner’s house and who is responsible for the upkeep. According to Kingsmill by-laws, a homeowner is responsible for the maintenance of a gate if it is directly behind their home.
- ✧ **ARC Alina Miller** gave an update on code violations and the Architectural Review process. Kingsmill deed restrictions have guidelines requiring homeowners to submit an application if changes are going to be made to the exterior of their home. These guidelines are in place to help maintain the property values and aesthetics of the community. The deed restrictions are posted on the Kingsmill website. Anyone in violation of the deed restrictions will receive a letter of notification requesting that the violation be removed. Any homeowner can notify the ARC if they see a violation in the community. A homeowner can also notify City of Melbourne, Code Enforcement if they see a city code violation.

- ✧ **No solicitation** signs are posted at the entrance to the neighborhood. Should anyone see anyone soliciting they can call the police to place a report.
- ✧ **Crime Prevention** needs to be addressed since vandalism is occurring in the community. Several car break-ins have occurred. Nelly Slaughter suggested that homeowners be vigilant and keep their cars and garage doors locked. Tips for homeowners to follow to keep their homes and vehicles safe from vandalism will be posted on the website.

✧ **Questions from community members:**

1. Can a message board or blog be placed on our website?

This will be researched by Alina Miller. Community member Phil Wadsworth offered help if it is needed.

2. Does Waste Management pick up large piles of debris?

Large piles will be picked up if a homeowner calls Waste Management and requests a pick-up.

3. Will the front entrance wall be extended?

This project is on hold due to the cost required to remove the current wall and extend the new wall down towards the end of the neighborhood.

4. What has been done regarding a boat that has been parked on Empire St. for two years.

Notices are sent out to homeowners who are in violation of the deed restrictions with the hope that they will abide by the rules of the community.

5. Can a homeowner mow the lawn of a vacant home?

If a homeowner wants to mow the lawn of a vacant home they are more than welcome to do so. This helps the community look better by not allowing a vacant home to become an eyesore.

6. Are there any updates from the county regarding the poor drainage from our neighborhood towards Aurora Rd?

The county has researched the issue, and completed plans for improving drainage. However, due to a lack of funds, nothing has been done to remedy the situation.

7. Can homes in foreclosure be listed on our webpage?

Although this is public information, to list this on our web page might be an advertisement to others of vacant homes, leading to vandalism.

✧ **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m. by Nelly Slaughter. The next meeting will be held on November 5, 2009 at Cross Roads Community Church at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Alina Miller