## Memorial Northwest Common Area Management Committee Meeting Minutes June 22, 2016 – MNW Community Center

## **Committee Members:**

	Present?		Present?
Kelley Minor, Chair	Χ	Allison Caraway	Χ
Robin Lent	Χ	Louis Hallewell	
Carol McNally	Χ		

## Business Occurring Since the Last Meeting (6/2/16 - 6/22/16):

- It was noted that some of the new plants were removed from the entrance monument near Spring Cypress
- A committee member was seeking a structural engineer to draw plans for a fence on Louetta
- A committee member was told by the MUD that they had a \$200K Louetta wall project slated, but a real estate agent advised against it, stating the project would not improve property values
- Candice Cowan has opted to leave the group

## Issues Discussed:

- 1. Minutes from the previous meeting were approved
- 2. Harris County work order
  - Area Directors are kindly requested to check for busted curbs and street signs in need of replacement on their next ride-through. We intend to hand over a list of these things to Precinct 4 all at once, to have the items repaired en masse.
- 3. Cul-de-sac maintenance
  - The cul-de-sacs will be examined one by one for needed work. Estimates will be provided for cul-de-sacs, separately.
  - Special attention will be paid to Vintage Wood, Theisswood Circle, and Theisswood Court cul-de-sacs.
  - Input has been solicited and received from many of the homeowners on Vintage Wood and Theisswood Circle about what they would like to see on their islands.
- 4. Aylesbury entrance
  - Received a ballpark bid on refurbishing this entrance. The committee is awaiting a
    detailed bid before conducting a vote.
  - Items being considered are: removing/replacing rocks, removing/replacing plants, replacing soil, raising the canopy and general pruning of the crepe myrtles, removing a nearby pine limb that is blocking light, and powerwashing the monument.
- 5. Tree trimming on Champion Forest
  - Robin to confirm if a bid received earlier in the year to trim the yaupon hollies included removal of low-situated dead wood on other esplanade trees. We will vote on this work after we receive confirmation.

- 6. Drainage along south fence or walking trail area
  - The previous work along this fence did not alleviate the drainage issue.
  - Additional work was performed, and it was confirmed that water is now draining properly.
- 7. Flag placement during patriotic holidays
  - Carol indicates that The Ladybugs plan to utilize the Klein High School band's flag program to provide approximately 10 flags for the neighborhood's enjoyment.
  - The CAMC is excited about this generous donation from our neighborhood garden club and would like to thank them for their contribution.
  - Carol and Robin will coordinate with representatives from The Ladybugs on flag placement.
- 8. Overlap with Architectural Control Committee
  - It was noted that the CAMC often spends time discussing, and sometimes working, issues that would typically be taken up by the ACC. Both committees work toward different aspects of the same goal: neighborhood beautification.
  - Overlap naturally exists. For example, eyesore fences can be handled by enforcing deed restrictions or by undertaking capital projects to hide them. Unmowed yards are a deed restriction issue but fall under the CAMC because of its relationship with the landscaper.
  - An idea was proffered to combine the committees, allowing smaller groups within the larger committee to operate within areas of focus. Should the Board desire, the CAMC is open to this or a similar arrangement.

Next meeting Wednesday, July 20th at 8:00 p.m.