# Wickham Forest Homeowner's Association

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# WF Welcoming Committee

Over the past several months our WF welcoming committee has been very busy greeting new homeowners and renters to our neighborhood. Their efforts have been most important in making new residents aware of the HOA. Besides newsletters and HOA contact information, the committee members collect coupons, discounts and free items from local businesses to give new neighbors. They also generously include a homemade treat and a little something for new pet neighbors as well. The WF Board would like to thank the committee members (Bernadette Pinto, Linda Charter, Christine Gallagher, Sharon Stoltzfus and Karen Wood) for their time and effort and also the local businesses that have contributed.

Mai and Henry Tran-US Nails

WMCA on N Wickham Road

Genna Pizza

Melbourne Chamber of Commerce

Home Depot

Dr. Sam Kretzschmar

Thanks to all for making our neighborhood such a pleasant place to live. INGRID SMITH

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http://www.wickhamforest.com

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# Wickham Forest HOA Board of Directors Meeting

**DATE:** July 13, 2016

Determination of Quorum: Ingrid Smith, Pres., Mary Greenfield, 1st VP, Nancy Phillips, 2nd VP, Ed Clark, Treasurer, and Carol Smith, Secretary

Meeting convened at 7:05 PM Minutes of previous meeting approved

President's Report:

Ingrid Smith introduced the new Appeals committee members. Members are: Duane Charter, Jim Brown, Frank Johnson, Frank Bishop, and John Baker.

Ingrid has a proposal from Leland Management. She made a motion that the Board review the proposal and consider the possibility of outside management. Nancy Phillips made a motion that the board invite a representative from the Leland Management company to the next board meeting, so the board can see what they have to offer, it was seconded by Ed Clark.

The Welcoming Committee has been busy keeping up with all new homeowners and tenants. A thank-you from the WFHOA to the businesses providing coupons, in the welcoming kits, to the homeowners and tenants was approved.

1st VP Report:

The HOA is still reviewing landscaping options to freshen and update the entrance.

2nd VP Report:

The following letters of violations were mailed: 57-Mildew/Mold/& Stains; 3-Commercial vehicles, 2-Structure, 1-Attorney consultation, 4-garbage, 1-fence, and 3-lawn maintenance

Treasure's Report: Approved

Four homeowners have not paid the annual dues.

Old Business:

Scanning and filing records is on hold until we review the proposal with the Leland Management company at the next board meeting.

Ingrid made motion to adjourn, all approved.

The meeting adjourned at 8:12 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

CAROL SMITH, Secretary

# WFHOA TREASURY REPORT

## 6-1-2016-6-30-2016

# **INCOME:**

TOTAL INCOME	TOTAL	\$666.00
Fines		\$100.00
Fees		\$100.00
Dues		\$466.00

## **EXPENSES:**

Administrative Expenses:

TOTAL	\$0.00

# **OPERATING EXPENSES:**

FPL		\$75.32
Postage		\$18,80
	TOTAL	\$94.12

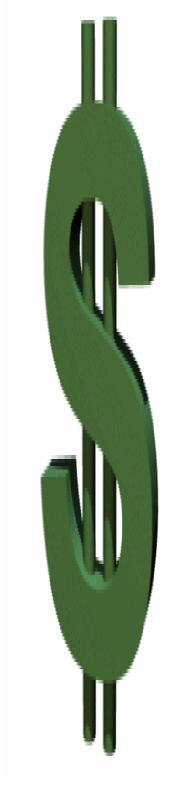
# **MAINTENANCE EXPENSES:**

Mowing		\$450.00
	TOTAL	\$450.00
TOTAL EXPENSES:		\$544.12

## **CASH ON HAND:**

CHASE CHECKING	\$58.259.21
CHASE SAVINGS	\$12,503.22

TOTAL \$70.762.43



# Conservation News



Environmental News and Information from the City of Melbourne Public Works & Utilities Department ~ Environmental Community Outreach Division

# Make summer easier while protecting the IRL

Routine activities like fertilizing the grass, applying pesticides, over watering, and blowing lawn dippings into the street are a major. source of stormwater pol-

lution. Every time it rains, these contaminants are carried into the stormwater

system, which leads directly to our waters including the Indian River Lagoon (IRL).

Lawn dippings blown onto paved surfaces create a huge problem. Besides clogging storm drains, which could lead to localized flooding, the clippings carry chemicals that contaminate the water. As the organic waste starts to decompose it absorbs dissolved oxygen in the water, which kills aguatic life.

The University of Florida Institute for Food and Agricultural Sciences (IFAS) has studied the grass dippings issue and offer these recommendations and insights.

Grass clippings are a valuable resource because they contain nutrients that plants need. When you mow your lawn, just let grass dippings remain on the grass. They will slowly break down on

their own. As a result, this reduces the need for fertilizer, which is banned in the summer. The decomposing clippings add nutrients to the lawn. As long as you mow

> regular basis. grass clippings left on the lawn will not contribute to the

buildup of thatch.

Although many people believe that clippings contribute to thatch, research has shown that dippings are readily decomposed by microbial action.

Thatch is the intermingled layer of already dead and decomposing organic matter on top of the soil and below the leaf blades. Excessive thatch can cause many problems for lawns, including poor water infiltration, increased insect and disease infestation and poor turf quality. Problems may also arise when turf is mowed infrequently and excess clippings (e.g., clumping) result. When this happens. clippings can be raked to distribute them more evenly.

If you don't want to leave the grass clippings on the lawn, add them to your compost pile or use them as mulch for your landscape plants.

Besides leaving the grass dippings on the lawn, other great practices to protect the IRL include:

- When fertilizing is allowed after the summer (prohibited from June 1 -Sept. 30) apply only when needed, not when rain is predicted and use slow-release fertilizer that does not include phosphate.
- Dispose of yard debris properly by keeping it out of gutters and ditches.
- Mow lawns to proper height to maintain turf health.
- Aerate lawns to improve nutrient uptake and reduce runoff.
- Choose natives and/or Florida-friendly plants that are drought resistant and require less fertilizer and pesticides.
- Use mulch to reduce water loss through evaporation, prevent erosion, suppress weeds and improve the soil.
- Replace turf where possible with native ground covers, wildflowers and trees
- Use natural pest management products.
- Follow lawn and landscape watering restrictions.
- Adjust your imigation system if water is falling onto streets, sidewalks or other impervious areas.



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# WHY recycle?



#### Plastic bottles

can turn into clothing



#### Aluminum cans

can turn into new ones in 60 days



#### Today's news

can become a new cereal box

# How to recycle:



Recycle all bottles, cans and paper



Keep items clean and dry



No plastic bags



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# What are My Recyclables Used to Make?

Besides the items shown in the graphic, your recycling efforts really do pay off in abundance. Here is a run down of some of the most commonly recycled items and what they are made into after they have been collected at the curb:

#### Aluminum Cans

Aluminum cans are shredded, cleaned, melted and mixed with a pure aluminum base, then recast into new aluminum products.

#### Aluminum Foil/Trays

Foil packaging can be made into new wrapping foil, semirigid packaging such as pie plates and food trays, and flexible packaging such as gum or candy wrappers.

# Paperboard Boxes (cereal, crackers, pasta, cake boxes, etc.)

These boxes are generally used to make new boxes, puzzles and things such as egg cartons.

#### Cardboard

Cardboard can be recycled into new cardboard, paperboard boxes, puzzles, games and items such as tablet backing.

#### Glass Bottles and Jars

Old food and beverage containers are crushed into a material called cullet and made into new food and beverage containers. Some kinds of glass are made from different ingredients than glass bottles and jars. For instance, window glass, drinking glasses, dishes and mirrors are all made differently. Therefore, they cannot be recycled at the curbside with glass bottles and jars.

#### Magazines, Catalogs and Phone Books

These are recycled into items such as food or gift boxes, tissue paper, game boards and greeting cards.

#### Mail, Office and School Paper

These papers can be used to make cereal boxes, facial and toilet paper, greeting cards, gift wrap and writing paper.

#### Newspapers

Newspapers and inserts are mixed in with other grades of paper to make new newspapers, paperboard, puzzles, wallboard, gift/food boxes and animal bedding.

#### Plastic Containers with Necks, #1 and #2

PETE #1 is recycled into carpet, clothing, strapping, tennis balls and other bottles. HDPE #2 is recycled into new containers, drainage pipe, film, pallets and plastic lumber for picnic tables, decks and fencing.

#### Steel Food Cans

The two by-products — high grade steel pellets and tin ingots — are both remade into tinplate containers. Most steel cans are used to make new cans for food products, paint, aerosol and other materials.

### Wickham Forest ARC Meeting Summary

Date: July 5, 2016 Members Present:

Susie Nichols, Linda Beckwith, Dan Reichel,

Carol Theiler





**2290 Bent Pine Street:** Install wood fence on east side of property with a gate on both front sides

**2485 Bent Pine Street:** Replace shrubbery in front of house

**2600 Forest Run Drive:** EXTERIOR HOUSE/TRIM PAINT House/Garage Door—Sherwin Williams—7028—Incredible White Trim—Sherwin Williams—6061—Tan Bark

2705 Forest Run Drive: EXTERIOR HOUSE/TRIM PAINT House—Richards—0400— New Foliage Trim—Richards—0397—Hidden Paradise Front Door—Richards—0248—Safari Sun Replace garage door with hurricane door

**4545 Sweet Bay Avenue:** Move window on south side of house 4' to east

4450 Wild Oak Court: Replace rear patio with pavers

**4535 Willow Bend Drive**: EXTERIOR HOUSE/TRIM PAINT House—Richards—3286—Ozark Mountain Trim/Garage Door—3282—Cotton Muslin

4535 Willow Bend Drive: Install additional mini AC unit next to existing AC unit

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**4610 Willow Bend Drive:** Replace roof with Architectural shingles—Harbor Fog EXTERIOR HOUSE/TRIM PAINT House—Sherwin Williams—7067—City Scape Trim/Garage Door—Sherwin Williams—7014—Elder White Front Door—Sherwin Williams—7068—Grizzle Gray

### Our next meeting will be August 9, 2016, 7:00 P.M., at 4590 Willow Bend Drive

Most items are easily approved, and most questions easily answered. We are all working to make our Wickham Forest neighborhood the best and loveliest in the area! Also, remember to check with the covenants or the ARC members if you have any questions regarding exterior changes.

If you are a new homeowner or tenant in Wickham Forest, the Welcoming Committee would like to welcome you to the community, please call Bernadette Pinto at 321-890-5455, for information.

#### REMINDER TO PARENTS OF SCHOOL STUDENTS

First day of Public Schools according to the Brevard County Schools 2016—2017 calendar is Monday, August 15, 2016. Please use extra caution when you see our Precious children walking to school or to their bus stop. If your children wait for a school bus at WF school bus stops each morning, please remind them to be respectful of neighbors property. It is understandable that waiting for the bus can be tedious and that children will want to interact with their classmates. We ask that activities and games be restricted to the area between the sidewalk and the curb. Please ask your students to NOT play on neighbors lawns. As always, children need to be mindful of morning traffic and not play on the street.



Interesting Facts about August: Origin of August's name: August was the 6th month in the early Roman calendar, named after Julius Caesar Augustus. August's flower is Gladiolus and the poppy. August has two birthstones, Peridot and Sardonyx. On August 2, 1909, the Lincoln penny was issued. National Watermelon Day is August 3rd. On August 6, 1945, the first atomic bomb was used in warfare on Hiroshima, Japan. National Smile Week is the week of August 5—11th. On August 12, 1877, the phonograph was invented by Thomas Edison. On August 20, 1977, Elvis Presley died. August 26th is Women's Equality Day.

The board would like to welcome you to the community. If you do not have a copy of our Covenants and Deed Restrictions, or have any questions about them, please contact any board member.

A few reminders regarding our Covenants, for those who do not have a copy —

- Yard trash is picked up on Fridays. Yard trash should not be placed at the curb until the night before pick-up. Tree branches/shrub clippings, etc. need to be cut down to 4 foot sections and bundled for easier pick up by waste management. Waste Management will NOT pick up any yard trash in plastic bags.
- Bulk Items: You do need to call Waste Management to schedule a pickup bulk items (including furniture).
  These items can be placed at the curb on Fridays. For information, contact Waste Management at 321-723-4455.
- 3. **Electronics:** You still need to call to arrange a special pick up for appliances and electronics.
- 4. Garbage is picked up on Tuesdays and Fridays. Recycling is picked up Wednesday. Garbage containers/recycling bins should not be placed at the curb until 5pm the night before pick up. Garbage containers/recycling bins must be stored as not to be visible from the street or adjacent property within sight distance of the lot. Only items in the recycling container will be picked up on Wednesday. Large loose items will be picked up on Friday, if you call Waste Management early in the week. Plastic bags do not recycle.
- 5. If you are planning to paint your home or plan any exterior changes, please contact the Architectural Review Committee (ARC) for approval **BEFORE** starting any new project. A sample of paint color, shingle type/color, plan layout, etc. must be submitted to the ARC for approval.
- 6. Waste Management trucks are automated, maned by only one employee. Therefore, any trash articles NOT in the garbage bin WILL NOT be picked up. The driver is not supposed to leave his truck.

#### **IMPORTANT CONTACTS**

Melbourne Police Dept. (non-emergency) (321) 608-6731 (MPD1)

Fire Department (321) 752-4642

Melbourne City Hall (321) 727-2900

City of Melbourne Water Department (Normal Hours) (321) 674-5726

City of Melbourne Water Department (Emergency) (321) 255-4622

Fix a pothole: City of Melbourne (321) 953-6231

FPL Power Outage (800) 468-8243

FPL Meter Check (800) 468-8243

Florida City Gas leaks, Odors, or Emergencies (888) 352-5325

Waste Management 321 723-4455 Appliance Pick up: (321) 953-6302

Large yard pile Pick Up: (321) 953-6302

Dispose of old paint or other household chemicals: (321) 255-4365

AT&T Residential Repair Service: (877) 737-2478

AT&T Fast Access DSL Technical Support: (888) 321-2375

**Bright House Customer Service (321) 254-3300**