



WICKHAM FOREST

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March 2022



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WICKHAM FOREST COMMUNITY YARD SALE

Saturday, March 19, 2022
8am—3pm

PROTECT THE LAGOON!!

Please help to keep Wickham Forest subdivision's stormwater drainage system free from debris, leaves, and grass clippings. With the minimal rainfall recently, and the oak trees shedding their leaves, it is important that residents and homeowners are diligent to keep vegetative material out of the gutters and storm drains. Please sweep leaves out of the gutters into your yard, OR collect them in bins for Friday yard waste pick-up. If your property borders one of the many storm drains, please check to be sure that leaves and other debris are not collecting near the drain. Blocked drains could increase flooding, AND the storm drains in Wickham Forest flow directly into the Indian River Lagoon. Improperly managed stormwater runoff may interfere with the salinity of the estuary and disturb the sensitive balanced ecosystem of the lagoon. Remember that this is an ordinance of the City of Melbourne. If you see anyone violating this directive, please call (321) 608-7341 to report. Penalties include a fine of \$200 for violating this ordinance.

February 2022 Annual HOA Meeting

February 16, 2022

Board Members Present: Nancy Phillips (President), Mary Greenfield (1st VP), Frank Johnson (2ndVP), Janet Smith (Secretary), Jim Spanogle (Treasurer)

Others Present: Pam Clark (Admin Asst.), Joe Columbo (Board Attorney), 17 homeowners

Minutes

Nancy called the meeting to order at 7:00PM with a quorum of all board members present.

Secretary's minutes from the February 2021 WFHOA Annual Board Meeting were read and approved.

The independent audit report for financial data documents from January 1, 2021, through December 31, 2021 found no discrepancies.

Linda Charter, Joan Scott, and Diane Tremer tallied the votes submitted by homeowners. All current WFHOA Board members were reelected for the 2022 term of service. The item on the ballot to update the covenants to "allow black powder coated chain link fences not to exceed 4 feet in height specifically for the back lot line of any lot that abuts a retention pond or conservation area, not to be viewable from the street front of the lot" has passed by a vote of 57 – 10.

Nancy reported improvements made in the past year. Stone planting borders have been placed around the Message Board and the two Ligustrum trees on the south side at the entrance. A solar powered light was added to illuminate the Message Board at night. Some diseased Wood Haven island plants were replaced, and the curbs of the Wood Haven and one of the Forest Run islands have been painted a reflective yellow paint. Plans to paint the west island curbs yellow are imminent.

As of the day of the meeting, the invasive pepper trees at the entrance were cut back considerably. Other invasive pepper tree plants are also at the Bent Pine Pond and need to be eradicated.

Plans will be made to replace the old, diseased, and overgrown hedges behind the Message Board as well as update the vegetation on the Forest Run islands since they have not been upgraded for many years.

Repairs have been ongoing for the fence along the railroad and the Bent Pine Pond. Damage was done to the fence by unknown perpetrators.

Board attorney, Joe Columbo, spoke about the progress on closing the Wild Wood bike path. The City has not yet granted approval for the closure.

Nancy reported that she has spoken to Mayor Paul Alfrey about the suspected homeless area near the entrance to Wickham Forest. There are efforts to clear out homeless camps and relocate them to a housing area in Palm Bay, as mentioned on his recent live "Melbourne Mayor Monday" podcast.

Developers have been interested in building on the vacant lot on the south side of the entrance to Wickham Forest. To do so, approval is needed by the Wickham Forest Board to have an entrance/exit right of way on-to Forest Run. The Board is cautious and will not approve anything that would negatively impact the safety of our residents entering and exiting the subdivision.

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Welcome Reda Rozanski as the newest volunteer as an alternate on the ARC and Blain Morgan as ARC Chairman!! Thank you for serving!

It's never a bad time to volunteer! Current needs are for the ARC and the Appeals Committee. Get to know your neighbors in Wickham Forest and serve your community!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, March 12 at 9am—[St. Patrick's Day Parade in Downtown Melbourne](#)

March 12—13 [Melbourne Art & Craft Expo at Wickham Park](#)

March 19 [EGAD Rocks –ShamROCK the Park! on Highland Ave.](#)

Friday, March 25—FREE [Cars Under the Stars movie night at Wickham Park](#) featuring “Cruella”

April 1st—[Wickham Park First Friday Event \(every 1st Friday\)](#)
Food trucks and live music at the Pavilion in Wickham Park

April 9—10 [4th Annual Blueberry Festival at Wickham Park](#)

February 2022 Violations

Violation Type	1st	2nd	Fines	Lien Notice
RV Parking	1			
Parking on Grass	1			
Mildew	18			
Yard Waste	2			
Painting House	1			
Rental Violation	2			
ARC Fine—Roof			1	
Mailbox repair	1			
Junk storage Outside	1			
Mowing	2			
Replace Sod	1			
Garbage Cans	1	X		

(Annual WFHOA Homeowner Meeting Minutes, continued)

Residents are reminded that leaves, grass clippings and other vegetative debris cannot be left in the gutters or storm drains. The storm drains flow directly into the Indian River Lagoon, and excess vegetation upsets the fragile ecosystem of the lagoon and could also cause flooding in our neighborhood during heavy rainfall.

A discussion about the 15% increase in dues resulted in a poll of the attending homeowners. They were asked if they'd rather have step increases in dues each year to buffer the emergency contingency fund, or risk having a large assessment fee to pay for a large ticket disaster repair. All homeowners present agreed that the yearly increases are much more acceptable.

The continuing problem of motorist speeding was revisited, with the possibility of speed cameras on Forest Run. The Board will check into the feasibility of cameras.

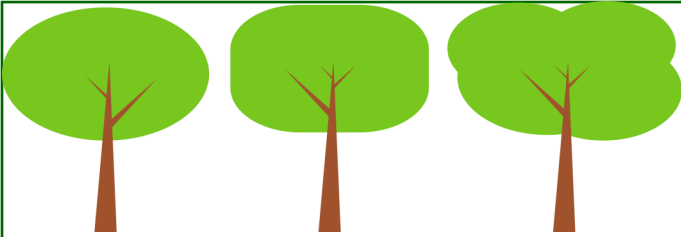
Traffic exiting Wickham Forest onto Wickham Rd. southbound continues to be a problem. It was suggested that perhaps there could be a no U-turn sign for northbound traffic on Wickham. The Board will investigate that possibility.

According to legal counsel present at the meeting, the Board can resume sending violation notices to a homeowner on Willow Bend as needed.

Homeowners are encouraged to submit their e-mail addresses to the Board at wickham-forest@googlegroups.com to receive the Newsletter and other timely emergency notifications. Also, please check the entrance Message Board for important updates.

The next WFHOA Board meeting will be held Wednesday, March 16, 2022 at 7:00, at Joe's Club. Homeowners are welcome to attend.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.



ARC

Wickham Forest Architectural Review February 2022

Members Present: Blain Morgan, Bob Bruno, Susie Nichols, Joan Scott, Marisa Amick, Reda Rozanski

Approved Requests

2390 Bent Pine Replace roof: Timbertex English gray, same as existing	2475 Bent Pine Replace Roof: Land Mark, Cobblestone
2485 Bent Pine Replace roof: Land Mark, Resawn Shake	2520 Forest Run Dr. Pool & pool screen
2550 Wild Wood Pool screen	2570 Bent Pine Replace roof: Owens Corning, Terra Cotta
2595 Wild Wood Paint front door: Behr "Red My Mind" Porch post replacement	2640 Wild Wood Replace roof: GAF, color Driftwood
2655 Bent Pine Install impact windows, white & oak front door Roof, Owens Corning, color: Desert Tan	4300 Wood Haven Shutters, Beige
4345 Wood Haven Tree removal foundation issue	4450 Wild Oak Tree replacement
4655 Willow Bend Painting, Main: custom blue, Trim/garage: white, Door: custom color	Non-Approval Auxiliary buildings, shed meets all criteria except: Any structure higher than 6 feet above grade shall be located behind the house within the area bounded by the left and right extremities of the house structure. Drawing shows building placement approximately 10 feet outside the house structure

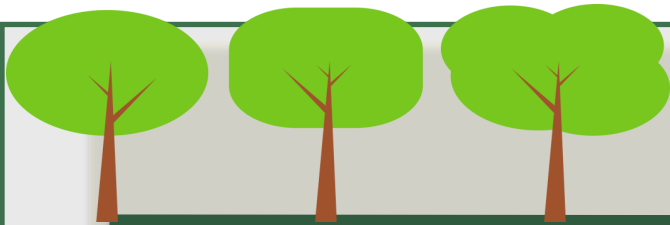
Our next meeting will be March 9, 2022 at 7:00 P.M. at 2545 Red Maple Pl.

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! All projects must be started within six months or a new request will have to be submitted. Also, remember to check the covenants or with the ARC members if you have any questions regarding any exterior changes.

Chairperson: Blain Morgan

E-mail: arc-wf@googlegroups

Susie Nichols • Bob Bruno • Joan Scott • Marisa Amick • Reda Rozanski (Alt.)



Banking Summary

February 2022

INCOME

Dues	48,895.00
Interest Income	0.12
Other	525.00
<u>TOTAL INCOME</u>	49,420.12

EXPENSES

Admin Fee	1,050.00
Banking Fees	40.20
Electricity	110.36
Meeting Room	50.00
Miscellaneous	560.75
Retention Ponds	420.00
Update Landscaping	21.14
<u>TOTAL EXPENSES</u>	2,252.45

BANK ACCOUNTS
BUS SELECT HY SAV
8,029.25
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57,810.77
TOTAL Bank Accounts
65,840.02
OVERALL TOTAL
65,840.02

OVERALL TOTAL 47,167.67



As of February 28th, dues have been paid by 270 homeowners. The remaining 47 homeowners will be assessed late fees of \$25 per month plus 1.5% interest until paid in full. Late fees and interest WILL NOT be waived for those postmarked after March 1, 2022.

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Welcome New Residents!

The WF 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 at: wickham-forest@googlegroups.com.

A few reminders regarding our Community and Covenants:

- 1. Garbage is picked up on Tuesdays and Fridays. Recycling (yellow lid) is picked up Wednesdays.** Trash, garbage or other waste shall not be kept on any Lot except in sanitary containers or garbage compactor units. Garbage containers, if any, shall be kept in a clean and sanitary condition, and shall be so placed or screened as not to be visible from any road or adjacent property within sight distance of the Lot. **Trash, refuse and garbage shall not be placed at curbside earlier than 5:00 p.m. on the evening before scheduled pickup.**
- 2. 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. **If you have very large piles of branches and clippings, always call Waste Management ahead of Friday pickup to notify that you have a large amount. ALSO CALL DAVID AMBROSE—City of Melbourne Manager of the Waste Management contract. (321) 608-5081.**
- 3. For Bulk Items: Contact Waste Management to schedule a bulk items pick up (including furniture).** These items can be placed at the curb on Fridays. The truck that picks up the yard trash will return later in the day to pick up bulk items. For more information contact Waste Management at 321-723-4455.
4. Waste Management trucks are automated, manned by only one employee. Therefore, any trash NOT in the garbage bin WILL NOT be picked up.
- 5. If you are planning to paint your home or plan any exterior changes, to include Roofs and Fences, 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, regardless of the current color. **Applications for ARC approval are available on the website at wickhamforest.com**
6. In case you haven't heard, Wickham Forest residents have a great opportunity to stay informed with what is happening in our subdivision, as well as in the surrounding area. Join your neighbors in **NextDoor** with many new features added. **NextDoor** includes Classifieds, Crime and Safety, Sale/Free items, Lost and Found, Recommendations, Businesses, Groups, and Public Agency notifications. You can even read the Wickham Forest HOA monthly newsletters in the WF Monthly Newsletter group. It's fast, easy, and free. Go to <http://www.Nextdoor.com> to create your account.



Important Contacts	
Emergency for Medical, Fire, Police	911
Melbourne Police Dept. (non-emergency)	(321) 608-6731
Fire Department (non-emergency)	(321) 752-4642
Melbourne City Manager	(321) 608-7200
Melbourne Code Compliance	(321) 608-7902
City of Melbourne Water Department (repairs)	(321) 674-5726
City of Melbourne Water Department (Emergency)	(321) 255-4622
Report a Pothole: City of Melbourne	(321) 953-6231
FPL Power Outages, Meter Checks	(800) 468-8243
Florida City Gas leaks, odors	(888) 352-5325
Waste Management	(321) 723-4455
David Ambrose - City of Melbourne Manager of Waste Management Contract	(321) 608-5081
Bus Transportation	(321) 242-6497
Brevard County Animal Control (This number may redirect to the Brevard County Sheriff's Office.)	(321) 633-2024

