

# WICKHAM FOREST

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If you take notice of the Violations Report on page three of this newsletter, you will find that a lot of letters have been sent out regarding mildew, mold, and rust at various places around many homes. Mildew is a recurring problem that we must battle against repeatedly. The Board wishes to THANK all those homeowners who have been diligent to take action to remove the stains from their property, and appreciate the efforts of Board members to ensure our neighborhood looks spectacular and well-kept. Many of those who responded did so with a quick response, with respect, and with kind words of appreciation to the Board. HOWEVER, there are some who have forgotten that Board members are VOLUNTEERS who are looking to keep our neighborhood not only looking great, but also abiding by the Covenants. EVERY homeowner and tenant in Wickham Forest received those documents when purchasing or renting within our lovely community. Rudeness and harsh words are not appreciated or necessary. If some have criticism of the way the Wickham Forest Board of Directors is applying the rules dictated in the Covenants, they are MORE than welcome to place their names on the ballot for 2024 and become active in our neighborhood . Board meetings are held most months on the third Wednesday at 7pm at Joe's Club. Check the Message Board at the entrance for the date of the next scheduled meeting. We always welcome homeowners to the meetings!



#### May 2023 WFHOA Board Meeting

#### Wednesday, May 17, 2023

**Board Members Present:** Nancy Phillips, (President) Kevin Rozanski (1<sup>st</sup> VP), Sandi Melkonian (2<sup>nd</sup> VP), Janet Smith (Secretary), Jim Spanogle (Treasurer)

Others Present: Pam Clark (Admin. Asst.), 3 homeowners.

#### **Minutes**

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

The secretary's minutes from the meeting in April 2023 were approved as published in the May newsletter.

The financial report for April 2023 was approved as published in the May newsletter.

The electrical work to be updated is expected to start this week. Cost may be a bit higher than anticipated. This must be completed to bring it to code.

The pump bearings for the sprinkler system are burnt out so the pump must be replaced. That is also scheduled for this coming week.

Wood Haven retention pond needs some major work to remove invasive growth prior to the rains that are possible in hurricane season that could result in flooding to the area. The estimated cost of this is rather steep. Board members will speak with neighbors and determine what course of action to take in paying for this unforeseen major expense. Choices are: a one-time assessment per homeowner, OR a definite increase in dues by 15% the next few years to cover the expense. We will convene to share the input we receive and decide at that time. In the interim, additional estimates will be pursued from other companies.

The accounts with FPL for lights on the Wild Wood and Bent Elm pathways have been disconnected and service has been terminated. Lights had not been working properly for quite a while and it was determined that they were not needed. This saves WFHOA that additional expense each month. Electricity is still intact at the entrance on Forest Run.

Kevin is pursuing closure of the bike path on Wild Wood with the City of Melbourne. A permanent closure would block unnecessary entry into Wickham Forest with 2-wheeled motorized vehicles, and pedestrian non-residents using it as a short-cut to get to Wickham Rd.

The backside of the walled "Wickham Forest" entrance sign has a planter at the highest part of the wall. Once the sprinkler system is repaired, it was suggested to install a sign on that side of the wall indicating "Wickham Forest" for southbound drivers to see. Addition of the sign has been tabled for future consideration.

A homeowner spoke with the owner of the plaza to the north of the Wickham Forest entrance about the problems with the dumpster. He is willing to work with our HOA to fix the dumpster issues (overflowing, items blowing onto the road, lid left open to wild animals, etc.) and will advise the tenants in the plaza to keep the dumpster lid closed.

An appeal made by a homeowner regarding a fine for repeated violations has been denied by the appeals committee. The fine has not been paid, and will continue to accrue. Pam will keep the Board posted on the progress.

The Board will look into providing a suitable waterproof container for the porch of the ARC chair specifically for drop-off of ARC materials.

A homeowner who requested leniency regarding repeated violations has been denied. All homeowners must abide by the Covenants that were signed for at the time of purchase of their property. This is non-negotiable.

Another homeowner present at the meeting inquired about what can be done to make entrance/exit off of Wickham Road to Forest Run safer for our residents. Kevin will check with both the City of Melbourne and the County (Wickham Road) to see what could be done to prevent possible disastrous accidents.

Meeting was adjourned 8:50 PM.

The next meeting of the WFHOA Board of Directors will be held on June 21, 2023 at 7:00PM at Joe's Club.

The ARC will meet as usual on the third Wednesday of the month, June 21st, 2023, at Joe's Club at 7pm.

## The next meeting of the WFHOA Board will be held on Wednesday, June 21, 2023 at Joe's Club at 7:00PM. All homeowners are always welcome to attend the meetings.



Drive to the right side of the islands on Forest Run whichever way you are heading! The speed limit on ALL roads in Wickham Forest is 25 mph.

If you missed the Disaster Preparedness Sales Tax Holidays from May 27—June 9, a second exemption period will be held Saturday, August 26 through Friday, September 8th. You can purchase qualifying disaster preparedness supplies exempt from state sales tax on those dates. For a list of qualifying items, you can go online and check it out at www.floridarevenue.com/DisasterPrep.

Reminder: Wednesday, June 14th is <u>FLAG DAY</u>. Fly your American flag to show your respect for Old Glory!!



#### **May 2023 Violations**

Violation Type	1st	2nd	Fines
Parking	6		
Mildew/Mold/Rust	159		
Garbage Bins	15	1	1
Repairs	2		
Outdoor Storage	5	1	
Yard Waste	8	1	
Mowing	4	1	
Paint	2		
Trailer Parking	1		

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Tuesday, June 13th and Wednesday, June 14th Made in the USA Concert 7—9pm at Melbourne Auditorium

Doors open at 6pm. Come join the Melbourne City Orchestra for their season finale Made in the USA concert series on Tuesday and Wednesday, June 13th and 14th at the City of Melbourne Auditorium. These

FREE concerts are sure to get you in the patriotic mood with music celebrating great American composers.

**Saturday**, **June 17th** ReptiDay 10am—4pm at the Eau Gallie Civic Center See live animals from around the world, and learn more about reptiles and exotic animals. ReptiDay Melbourne is one reptile and exotic animal expo you won't want to miss!

**Tuesday, July 4th <u>FIREWORKS VIEWING at Green Gables</u> 1501 S. Harbor City Blvd. from 7—10pm Great views, food for sale, Patriotic Music—** \$10 per car if registered in advance at greengables.org, or \$15 at the gate. Pay or show Eventbrite ticket to enter. No smoking or alcohol allowed on the property.

Friday, July 7th Wickham Park's Great American Food Truck Bash 5—9pm at Wickham Park Pavilion
Rain or shine event, with amazing food trucks, and live music by Rocket City. In addition there will be a FREE
Rain Barrell Workshop organized by Brevard County Natural Resources. Register here <a href="https://rb.qy/m3dth">https://rb.qy/m3dth</a>

EVERY Thursday from 3pm - 6pm—<u>Brevard County Farmers' Market at</u> Wickham Park at the Pavilion Some featured products include: natural honey and beehive products, fresh salsas, Florida grown produce, freshly made hummus, homemade jams, jellies, apple butter, and nut butters, gourmet snacks, locally roasted organic coffees, fresh herbs, delicious olives and olive oils, freshly made pasta, local farm-raised pork and pork products, vegan bakery items and desserts, homemade soaps, and artisan-style breads.

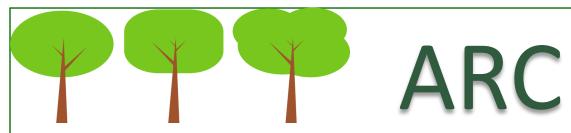
You can support local small businesses by shopping on Thursdays at the Farmer's Market!!

#### Preparing for a Tropical Storm or Hurricane—Build an Emergency Kit

A disaster supply kit is a collection of essential items your household may need in the event of an emergency. Your kit should be reviewed and updated annually. This is a good time of year to do that in preparation for the Hurricane Season. And while you're doing that, be sure to test your generator if you have one, to be sure it will function well before you need it!

#### **Basic Supplies to put in your kit:**

- Water: one gallon of water per person for at least three days
- Food: at least a three-day supply of non-perishable food, manual can opener
- Paper plates, bowls, cups & utensils
- Battery powered or hand-crank radio and extra batteries
- Flashlights or lanterns and extra batteries
- First Aid kit, Hand sanitizer
- Personal hygiene items, prescription medications
- Moist towelettes, garbage bags, plastic ties
- Paper towels
- Cell phone, solar or battery operated charger, extra batteries
- Cash (some restaurants may only be able to accept cash if power is out—personal experience here—after Hurricanes Frances & Jeanne in S. FL, wood-fired pizza restaurants could function—but only accept cash)
- Important family documents such as insurance policies, passports, birth certificates
- Pet food and treats, extra water, shot records, leash, collar, county license tags, medications, toys
- Books, games, puzzles, activities for children
- Plan where to evacuate, if it becomes necessary
- Full gas tank—extra gas cans for your generator if needed
- Full propane tank to grill or heat food



Wickham Forest Architectural Review May 2023

Members Present: Blain Morgan, Dolores Leach, Ronda Kapelanski, Joanne Osbourne, Reda Rozanski

Approved Requests			
2415 Wild Wood Garbage Screen	2455 Wild Wood Garbage Screen		
<b>2470 Forest Run</b> Replace existing fence with 6' Tan Atlantis style vinyl fence	2580 Wild Wood  Tree removal and stump 4" below grade - east side of property		
2890 Forest Run Replacing windows with Impact windows front and side	4210 Wood Haven Install Driveway and walkway Sand color pavers		
4250 Wood Haven Landscaping sides and back of house with "Crimson Rock" to match front of house	4260 Wood Haven Install Tan pavers behind wall in front of house		
<b>4290 Wood Haven</b> Replace existing shingle with Certainteed asphalt shingle. Color: Mojave Tan	4310 Wood Haven Installing accordion shutters on front of house color: IVORY & Pool re-surfacing		
4325 Wood Haven Install White/Pewter T-pattern flagstone pavers to extend driveway & walkways	4390 Wood Haven Replace existing shingle with Owens corning asphalt shingle. Color: Antique Silver		
4501 Willow Bend Tree and stump removal below grade	4530 Sweet Bay Replace existing shingle with GAF Timberline asphalt shingle. Color: Shakewood		
2725 Forest Run  Paint Manufacturer: BEHR MAIN: Perfect Taupe TRIM: Vanilla Frost, GARAGE DOOR: Perfect Taupe FRONT/SIDE DOOR: Millennium Silver	4545 Sweet Bay Replace screen door, aluminum posts/rails, and screening as per application, Richards Paint -MAIN: SW 7070 Site White TRIM: SW 7604 Smoky Blue . GARAGE DOOR: White FRONT/SIDE DOOR: white GUTTERs: White as per application		

#### Our next meeting will be June 21, 2023 at 7:00 P.M. at Joe's Club

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**

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• Dolores Leach • Ronda Kapelanski • Reda Rozanski • Joanne Osborne • Salpie Kasbar

### Banking Summary

#### May 2023

#### INCOME

TOTAL INCOME	2,453.38
Other Inc	295.58
Late Fees	625.00
Interest Inc	82.80
HOA Dues	950.00
Fines	500.00

#### **EXPENSES**

Admin Assistant	1,050.00
Banking Fees	25.00
Electricity	46.46
Entrance Light Repairs	1,338.00
Landscape Maint.	700.00
Meeting Room	50.00
Office Supplies	328.45
Postage	189.00
Retention Ponds	920.00
Software Updates	69.99
TOTAL EXPENSES	4,716.90





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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 <a href="http://www.Nextdoor.com">http://www.Nextdoor.com</a> 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	

