

ARBOR HILLS NEWSLETTER

December 2013

Next Open Board Meeting: Wednesday, January 29th

The next open meeting of the Arbor Hills Board will be held on Wednesday, January 29th, at 7pm in the Clague Middle School Library. The open session is scheduled from 7-8pm. The agenda will include a financial report, updates on current projects, traffic safety, and any other matters homeowners would like to bring to the Board. We hope to see you there!

Proposed Stop Sign

In order address ongoing traffic safety concerns at the intersection of Kilburn Park Circle and Strand Court, the Board is considering the installation of a new stop sign. This stop sign would be placed on Kliburn Park Circle, and would stop the northbound traffic (traffic heading toward Dunwoodie and Buckhorn) at Strand. The proposed stop sign will be discussed at the January Board meeting, and the Board would welcome your feedback and questions about it.

Curb Repair Project Update

The curb repair project that began in the fall has stopped for the season. Many homeowners have expressed concerns regarding the quality of the asphalt patching that was done at some of the curb repair areas. The Board shares these concerns and will be following up with YPM and the contractor to ensure that the quality of all repairs is up to our community's standards. Permanent resolution of all repairs will be carried out when weather permits in the spring.

Pond Maintenance Project

As mentioned in the November newsletter, we will be undertaking a maintenance project on three of our neighborhood's storm water detention ponds in the near future. Bids have been received on this project, and the project plan is currently being reviewed by the City of Ann Arbor's Environmental Coordinator, to ensure that it meets applicable environmental standards. The Board expects to discuss and vote on moving forward with the project at the January meeting. Further details will be available at that time, but in the meantime, please direct any questions about this project to YPM or the Board.

Dues Reminder

Please remember that a semi-annual Association dues payment is due on January 1st. All homeowners should have received a dues statement and payment coupons by mail from YPM. If you did not receive this information, or have any questions regarding your dues, please contact YPM. Please note that a \$25 late fee applies if dues are not paid by January 31st. There is an error in the YPM payment coupon, stating that the late fee is assessed after the 10th of the month - this is not correct, as our policies allow 30 days before the late fee is charged.

Snow Removal

The Board and YPM are aware of several issues with the performance of our snow removal contractor in clearing the recent snows. These issues have been discussed and resolved with the contractor, and we expect improved performance from them for the remainder of the winter season. Please continue to report any snow removal issues to YPM, so they can be resolved in a timely manner.

Please also help with the snow removal process by clearing the sidewalks around your home in a timely manner, and by keeping vehicles off the streets during any snow event. These are homeowner responsibilities, per our Neighborhood Policies. Please note that any vehicles left on the streets after a snowfall of 1 and ½ inches or more may be towed at the owner's expense.

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City Relations Committee

AHCA is organizing a new City Relations Committee. The charge of this committee will be to maximize the value of city services we receive for our neighborhood, and to explore opportunities to collaborate with the City of Ann Arbor on initiatives that are of benefit to our neighborhood. Topic areas for the committee's work include transportation issues (Green Road crossings and traffic, bus service), City right-of-way issues in relation to our streets and sidewalks, storm water and environmental issues, park maintenance and improvement, disposition of the pump house property, and other relevant matters. Membership on this committee is open to all neighbors - if you have an interest in these topics, please consider joining. Contact Collin Ross (cmross16@gmail.com) if you are interested or would like more information.

Committee Chairs Needed

Motivated volunteers are needed to chair the Bylaws, Communications, and Social & Welcome committees. Please consider taking on a leadership role by serving as chair of one of these committees - the Board will support you to ensure that your efforts will make a difference. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Collin Ross (cmross16@gmail.com).



Happy New Year!