

**Orchard Hill HOA Community Meeting**  
**March 21, 2019**

**Meeting started 6:36 P.M.**

**Present:** Tim Metzner, Camille Croteau, Lisette Gilbert Mees, Anne Villalobos, Lynn Byrne, Steve Antonis

**Absent:** Lou Waldorf, Chris Mergner

**Tim:** I'm going to have our board members introduce themselves. All board members did so. Are there any new residents to Orchard Hill? Please introduce yourselves. Are there any residents attending the meeting for the first time? Please introduce yourselves. Since we do not have a quorum, we cannot approve the minutes from the last meeting. An update for our social committee, we did caroling at Christmas and we had a picnic in the circle during the summer. We plan on doing more. Please check the website for current information. Anne is our social committee coordinator.

The architectural committee had a lot of plans to review, such as a pool, sheds, etc. Please continue to send in any structural updates to the architectural committee. We are trying to keep up with the website. We are always keeping up with our board meetings to ensure financial stability. The board meetings are open to any homeowners who want to attend.

**Lou's report: (Read by Tim)** Checking account balance is \$29,716.44 and the CD Pond Fund is \$59,468.25. Our collections are \$29,22.27 out of \$30,195.00 due to the HOA for 2019. There are 183 property owning members and 176 have paid for a percentage of 96%. Of the 7 non-payers, 5 have mailed the checks this week. If Lou does not hear from the other two, liens will be filed. The 2019 budget is basically the same as last year. We added the Orchard Hill Social Committee with a budget of \$300. We do need three volunteers to help in doing a self-audit of our books. We do it every three years. No former board members are eligible. (Nancy Hughes volunteered to help this year.) If anyone is interested please e-mail us. Solitude takes care of our ponds by monitoring the existing vegetation. We have scheduled our next plantings for the fall. We did have minnows stocked in the pond. They help with the mosquitoes. The same builder (Layton) has merged with another company. We are continuing to use Cliff Short for our grounds maintenance. At our last meeting, there was a request to enlarge the size of a shed for your property. This was voted down by the board.

**Questions from the floor were:** How to find out when there is an opening on the board? This can be found on the website. Also, are the ponds spring fed or run off? The ponds are run off. If I need a new door does it have to go through the arch committee? Yes, you must go through the arch committee.

Why are we allowing homes to have garbage in their yards? Tim answered stating to please send an e-mail and we will send out a letter. Can't we get a vote for the larger sheds? It's already gone through the board, and we have a protocol to follow. It is in our covenants for an 8X10 shed. Why aren't we sending letters to people who leave garbage cans out front? Tim said please send us an e-mail with the addresses and we will send out a letter. Can we get lights put out front by the entrance? Tim stated that this has been brought up to the board and we will be doing that.

**Tim:** The yard sale will be in June. Fliers will go out with all the information. One concern brought to the board was about parking on the streets for an extended period of time. It's a courtesy for the mail carriers and the sanitation department to get through. We are trying to update our website with a new look and more information. We will be adding more things on there to keep you informed. Please visit our community website: <http://orchardhillhoa.org>. Welcome letters are sent to all new homeowners in the community. At this time I would like to introduce Peggy Reilly to speak about downtown Milford. Peggy spoke about all the events that Milford offers and asked everyone to please support our downtown.

**Meeting adjourned 7:10 P.M.**