

Briarwood Neighborhood  
Minutes from HOA Zoom Meeting  
Thursday, April 13, 2023

Board members present on screen: President Tom Quigley, Vice President Phil Taylor, Secretary Barbara Schlott, Chris Circo, Joe Disalvo and Virginia (Ginny) Gonterman

Board members absent: Neal Buxcel and Jason Janzen

- The meeting began at 6:30 p.m. with Tom Quigley welcoming each of us to the Zoom meeting.
- The minutes from January 12, Zoom meeting were approved: Phil Taylor moved to approve and Chris seconded.
- The Financial report was discussed. Neal put the current numbers together and sent ahead of the meeting for our approval. Barbara motioned to approve it and Ginny seconded. All were in favor and it passed.
- The yard/garage sale is May 6. We will share on our Facebook pages and Tom mentioned that he will put information about it in the Nonpareil.
- The annual meeting will be October 10 in the conference room, second floor of the Madison Avenue HyVee.
- The Architecture report included ideas for gardens, requests for basketball hoops, painting and other spring projects. Gardens are okay as long they are in the back yard and of a reasonable width and size. The topic of having chickens was brought up. The requirements are having a permit and asking neighbors for input. More research is forthcoming.
- The newsletter outline is started and I will personally request articles written by each committee. The deadline is May 15 for these articles and stories.
- New business: Barbara has laid down the ground covering to kill grass in two specific areas and will plant creeping thyme. This will reduce mowing watering and fertilizing. Questions of spreading came up. The area is far from the outer fence and the lawn will be mowed weekly around the ground cover. Also, Ginny commented on the mole problem in her yard. She also mentioned the fence behind her home being in disrepair. After the meeting, Tom discovered that this particular portion of fence is actually owned by the HOA. It surrounds the run-off pond. She will not be responsible for its replacement.
- Phil brought up the subject of invisible fence. It should be in the rear of the property and companies who install it are required to know the rules and obtain the proper permits. Problems arise when large dogs run up to the edge of front yards in a threatening manner. The owner needs to install in rear of home to avoid this.
- The issue of parking large trailers on the street too close to the corner causes drivers to turn into the oncoming lane to get around them. Tom offered to write a letter.

Barbara moved to end meeting and Ginny seconded. We unplugged at 7:09 p.m.