

Longhills Village POA Newsletter

Summer 2005

Board Members	
Karen Stout President	316-2027
Meretta Mrdja Secretary	316-1035
Michael Glenn Treasurer	316-2244
Gary Arnold	794-1086
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Bob Russell	794-1460
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2nd ANNUAL POA MEETING A SUCCESS

More than 100 residents attended the 2nd Annual POA Neighborhood Meeting held Sunday, April 17. The primary goal of the meeting was to have residents meet the Board and one another.

Karen Stout, POA President, welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced the POA Board Members. Gary Arnold presented the 2005 POA budget. A question and answer period followed by a drawing for door prizes concluded the meeting.

A special thanks to Meretta Mrdja for all her hard work in making the 2nd Annual POA Neighborhood Meeting a success along with golf course owners for allowing us to have the meeting in the picnic area.

2005 POA BUDGET OVERVIEW

The 2005 Longhills Village POA operating budget was presented at the POA Neighborhood meeting. The following is an overview of the 2005 budget:

•	Utilities	\$6,444	32%
•	Maintenance	\$7,900	39 %
•	Communications	\$2,170	11%
•	Special Projects / Legal Fees	\$3,600	18%

Utilities: Includes Benton Utilities, First Electric and Water

Maintenance: Includes lawn maintenance for the 4 entrances, landscaping

projects, and repairs (fountain and lighting)

Communication: Includes quarterly newsletter, website, LHV directory, letters

and postage

Special Projects / Legal Fees: To be determined throughout the year

Q&A FOLLOW-UP

During the Question and Answer period at the neighborhood meeting, several questions were answered and others had to be researched further. The following are a few of the questions and answers:

QUESTION: How many lots were purchased in 2004?

ANSWER: Forty-nine (49)

QUESTION: Who do I report vandalism and speeding problems to? **ANSWER:** Report directly to the Benton Police Department **QUESTION:** Are there plans for high speed internet in LHV?

ANSWER: Charter Cable is looking in to providing DSL in our neighborhood

sometime this year

QUESTION: What can we do about dogs running throughout the neighborhood

and getting into trash?

ANSWER: Report directly to the City of Benton Animal Control - 776.5972

2005 POA DUES PAST DUE!

All 2005 POA dues were due March 1. There are still some home and/or lot owners who have not paid their dues. If you have not paid your dues, please do so immediately in order to avoid legal action. POA expenses and any special projects are contingent on all dues being paid in a timely manner.

COMPLYING WITH THE LHV BILL OF ASSURANCE

As stated in the spring 2005 newsletter, we are publishing reminders from the Bill of Assurance about rules we must follow in order to stay in compliance. The following reminders are among the most frequent complaints the POA board received in the past few months:

- Dogs MUST be in fenced yard or on a leash.
- Boats, trailers, RV, and other like items must be parked out of view.
- Homeowners cannot park cars in the street.
- Do not dump grass clippings, limbs and other debris onto vacant lots.
- Landscaping must be completed for all new homes.
- Once a home is complete, the landscaping must remain in harmony with the neighborhood.
- Sidewalks must be completed and maintained by all residents.
- All structures must be approved before construction (if it goes on the house, in the ground, or stands above the level of your privacy fence, you must get approval).
- Out buildings must be approved by the architectural control committee.

The LHV POA makes every attempt to call attention to and settle any compliance issue on our own. If an issue is not settled in a reasonable time frame, legal action will be taken. This is an expense that we should not have to use POA dues to resolve. Please make every effort to stay in compliance.

New LHV Neighborhood Directories

The 2005 LHV Neighborhood Directories have been updated and printed. The directories will be delivered to you in August. A special thanks goes out to Jason Hawkins for overseeing this project. Thank you Jason!