

Stone Ridge Homeowners Association Board Meeting

May 15, 2019 6:00 pm

Issue: Emerald Ash Borer and Save A Tree Program

Discussion: Discussion centered around the meeting with Doug and City officials regarding the Save A Tree program. The subdivision has 95 ash trees that must be treated by our Association or cut down by the city.

The city will allow us to save trees with treatment if all Association members sign off. There is a treatment for EAB via Arbor System which claims to be highly effective. Reps from a treatment company outlined the treatment process. The treatment option involves treatment every two years with an estimated \$6,000 - \$7,000 total per tree. Eventually, the ash borers move on and try to find untreated trees elsewhere. It was done in Council Bluffs with great success.

To gain member approval, Dennis proposed that post cards be sent to each household requesting permission to treat the trees in the Common by "positive default". If the member does not reply with a "no reply", it is assumed that they agree with the treatment option and authorize it.

There was some discussion and concern if the city would accept the post card survey. The general consensus was that a 100% positive reply was virtually impossible and that what the city wanted was nearly impossible. Doug did indicate that the city would NOT cut down the trees if we committed to treatment.

Motion: 1. Motion made by Doug and seconded by Dennis to accept this company and its treatment option. The motion failed 3-2. It was decided to wait for a firm bid and further information from this company before committing to them specifically.

2. Doug made second motion . Doug would meet again with the city to clarify the approval process and gain a commitment on the post card process. Motion was carried.

Issue: By-Laws and Covenants

Review of covenants and by-laws by Jim Titus, attorney and replies by Dennis and Doug were distributed to the Board. Revisions outlined were:

1. # of total board members: which will include 4 officers
2. Article XII allow the Board to unilaterally amend the By-Laws. Should a voted of the Association be required?
3. Other "housekeeping" items in the By-Laws such as a reformatting of the file
4. Motion to review covenants and provide suggestions in two weeks: Motion carries for suggestions to be forwarded to Dennis by June 1
5. Next meeting scheduled for June 14

Meeting adjourned 8:15 pm