

Ranches at Pinehurst Property Owners Association

Minutes of Property Owner's Meeting May 21, 2000

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POA meeting*

The Spring Property Owner's Meeting was held on May 21, 2000 at 1:00 p.m. at 11-4-00
Outback Western World's meeting building on Dobbin-Huffsmith Road.

Donald "Gus" Gustafson, President, called the meeting to order. The Role was taken and a quorum was declared present. Robert S. "Barney" Barnwell acted as Secretary.

The Secretary read the minutes of the Property Owner's Meeting held October 30, 1999. Upon motion made and seconded, the Minutes were received and approved as read.

The President stated that security was a considerable concern to all residents of the subdivision. He then stated that it might help the property owners better-recognize uninvited persons if their vehicles were identified with a decal for Ranches at Pinehurst. The President then showed a decal to the members and asked them to take several to be placed on their cars and trucks. In addition, the President noted that No Trespassing signs had been posted along the Riding Trail near Mill Creek. Additional signs were distributed to interested residents.

The President next introduced Captain Thomas Martino of the Magnolia Fire Department. Captain Martino informed the membership that the department covers the largest territory in the area next to the Houston Fire Department. Many of the volunteers are active Houston or Woodlands fire fighters. The Captain explained that under the "First Responder" program, their units all have one or more EMS, EMT or para-medical advanced personnel. The maximum time from call to arrival in the Subdivision is 7 to 8 minutes. The Captain emphasized fire safety and the need for additional sources of water in the subdivision, such as ponds that could be used as water supply sources in an emergency.

The Treasurer, Fernando Rueda, proposed that the Association donate \$100.00 to the Magnolia Fire Department. The same was approved by acclamation.

The President next introduced Mrs. Leslie Humphrey who provided much needed information regarding the status of the elementary and middle schools serving the subdivision.

The President next introduced Deputy Felicia Webb of the Montgomery County Sheriff's Department. Deputy Webb discussed the number of active deputies on duty in the area. She also discussed implementation of a Neighborhood Watch program as well as steps all homeowners can take to increase their security against break-ins. Bruce Whitener voiced his concerns regarding the continuing gun shots that were coming from the Decker Hills area. Deputy Webb stated that she would inform the other deputies and that they would try to increase their patrols of the area.

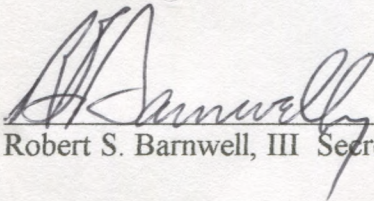
The President thanked Deputy Webb and Captain Martino for their time and their very informative talks. The President declared that the next order of business was to consider forming a Neighborhood Watch Committee. "Neighborhood Watch" signs for the entrance were proposed along with finding volunteers who would drive around the subdivision to report suspicious activity. Additional discussion was held regarding security. The matter was referred to the Board of Directors for further action.

The President stated that Barney Barnwell had met with Rufus Tree Service to obtain a bid for cutting down certain dead trees in the subdivision that were a hazard. The President announced that the bid was very reasonable and that the trees would be cut down in the next week.

Barney Barnwell informed the members that the natural gas system was active and ready for customers to connect. Notices were to be mailed out to each property owner regarding the costs and steps necessary to obtain natural gas service.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was declared ADJOURNED.

Respectfully submitted,


Robert S. Barnwell, III Secretary