

ACACIA TIMES

Monthly Newsletter of The Acacia Association

March 2022



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March 2022 Meeting Minutes

Board Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, March 8, 2022
Next Acacia Regular Board Meeting Tuesday, April 12, 2022

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GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIFEGUARDS NEEDED

Chicagoland Pool Management is hiring lifeguards! Please see the flyer in this newsletter and feel free to share with anyone you might know that would be interested! You could even work the Acacia Clubhouse Pool!

GARBAGE REMINDER

- All garbage needs to be in in BAGS, NO CONTAINERS. Black Bags for Garage & Blue Bags for Recycling
- If you have appliances, large items or electronics, you will need to contact SBC Waste Solutions directly for a special pickup.
- The blue recycling bags are supplied as a courtesy to Acacia Residents, and are only to be used for recycling.

A Note from The Acacia ALCC

If you are planning any changes, upgrades, repairs or landscaping to the outside of your home this spring/summer PLEASE remember that you need approval before you begin any work. If you are not sure, call the office and check. A phone call is less expensive than a \$100.00 fine for doing work without prior approval.

Any questions you can call the office at 708-246-2400 or email acaciaihp@gmail.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, April 7th, 2022 - Wolf Road Expansion Meeting - 5:00 -8:00pm at Village Hall

An open house for residents to view Cook County's plans for the Wolf Road Expansion and to give your feedback regarding the project

Saturday April 16th, 2022 - Easter Egg Hunt - 11:00am - 1:00pm - at Blackhawk Park

Annual Indian Head Park Easter Egg Hunt, along with pony rides, petting zoo, and of course pictures with the Easter Bunny

Saturday, May 21st, 2022 - Annual Electronic Recycling & Shred Day - IHP Public Works

Come and get your electronics recycled and shred old files!

FREE to all Indian Head Park Residents

SERVICE REQUESTS FOR TOWNHOME MAINTENANCE:

~! Just a friendly Reminder! ~

Service requests for townhome maintenance will not be accepted until starting April 15, 2022. If you have submitted a request before this, please know that they can not be looked at until April 15. If you have questions, call the office at 708-246-2400.

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The Acacia Association Board of Directors Meeting March 8, 2022

The Board of Directors Meeting of March 8, 2022 was brought to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Eckert.

Directors in Attendance: President Eckert, Director Consolo, Director Herley, Director Kwiatek, Director Cione, Director Boyd, Director McMillin and Director Voyles.

Directors Absent: Director Kalinoski.

Meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Director Boyd was sworn in by President Eckert.

President Eckert announced the resignation of Director Sharon Kalinoski, effective Wednesday, March 9, 2022.

Director Consolo motioned to approve the meeting minutes for the February 8th, 2022 Board of Director's Meeting, which was seconded by Director Kwiatek.

Minutes for the February 8th, 2022 approved by vote of 6-0-1

Homeowner Forum:

Acacia Resident, Joe who lives on Elmwood suggested we put wind screens up on the tennis court fences, and a port-o-potty by the Acacia Park or tennis courts. This resident also suggested we leave up the tennis and basketball nets longer, and only take them down for December, January, and February. The resident's last question was why do we not put in a Bocce Ball court where the Shuffle Board is? President Eckert responded that this will all be brought up to the Recreation Committee, however the Bocce Ball is not being done because of funds.

Danuta from Heatherwood asked about Rules and Regulations, she will meet with Director Kwiatek for a Welcome Basket meeting.

Edita from Elmwood Court asked if only one key is needed for all courts. The board responded that one key is for the tennis courts (both locks), and one key is for the basketball courts.

Treasurers Report:

Income - February 2020	\$98,678.00 (assessments, late fees, closing fees, etc.)
Expenses - February 2020	-\$62,571.86
Capital Expenditure	-\$ 6,500.00 (deposit for fence)
Transfer – Capitol Replacement	<u>-\$12,000.00</u>
Net Income for February 2020	\$17,606.14



Unusual expenses for February included \$20,184.00 for snow plowing thanks to our snowing month, \$881.03 to purchase checks for the office and \$782.00 for repairs to the sprinkler system in the clubhouse.

In February there were 16 accounts past due for a total of \$5,595.26 due to missed assessment payments, late fees and fines. There were also 13 accounts that were brought up to date. This is a significant drop (\$11,076.99 in January) in past due accounts and monies owed Acacia.

Residents are encouraged to enroll in ACH – automatic payment – for monthly assessments. This avoids any chance of missed payments and late fees. Currently 63% of residents use ACH. There is no charge for ACH and the assessment amount is withdrawn from your account on the 20th of each month.

Director Boyd motioned to approve the Treasurer’s Report as presented seconded by Director Consolo.

The motion approved with an 6-0-1 vote.

Clubhouse Director’s Report:

There were no clubhouse rentals in the month of February.

Bunco night was held on March 1st at 6:30 pm in the clubhouse. Face masks were optional. We had a better turn out this month and had two tables playing bunco. We will again hold Bunco next month on April 5th, 2022 at 6:30 pm. Please bring your own beverage and \$5.00 for the prize money.

Recreation Facilities Director’s Report:

Time to start looking for last year’s Pool ID card – you will need it to renew for this summer. Owners that rent their unit out and the tenant will need to make sure that the updated paperwork (copy of lease for current year and Sharing of Rules form) is completed. Letters will be going out to the owners and all paperwork needs to be in the office before Pool IDs will be issued.



The locks on the courts have been repaired and as the weather improves, we will replace the practice board, put the nets up and open the courts. Watch your email for notice when this happens. We will continue to wait to have the lights repaired until we find out if we will qualify for the rebate from ComEd. This will potentially save us up to 50% of the cost to replace them.

Grounds Maintenance Director's Report:

Since the last Board meeting, we completed five grounds service requests. We picked up seasonal needs at Menards and Home Depot.

We inventoried and ordered crew shirts for the upcoming season. Walked the grounds with arborist to determine which trees would be trimmed and removed on this year's cycle.

We investigated an electrical issue on the Acacia maintenance truck that involves the plow. Currently looking for solutions to apparent over volt situation that could lead to further damage of the truck.



We had two snow events during the last month:

- February 17, 2022 – Route 1
- February 25, 2022 – Route 2.

We purchased \$280.70 in gas for the truck.

We want to remind people that garbage should be placed in black garbage bags left curbside and recyclables should be in blue bags. We recently had people put out individual items on the ground that should have been placed in a bag. Someone put out an open plastic container, like you would use to soak things in a sink, with twigs and other garbage in there out in the open. Our agreement with SBC requires black bags and blue bags for recyclables. They do pick up empty boxes. Open items, like just mentioned, can cause sanitary problems.

On the subject of blue bags. They are provided by SBC to be used for recyclables. They are not being supplied so people can use them for other things. We recently had a resident request an entire box of blue bags from SBC. When SBC questioned why the resident needed an entire box, they were told that the resident used the blue bags for other things. If any resident needs bags for other things, then it is their responsibility to buy bags for those non recycling needs. The roll of blue bags that SBC hands out has over fifty blue bags. A box contains fifty rolls. There is no reason a resident would need more than one roll to cover a number of months.

Architecture and Landscape Director's Report:

- For the month of February there was 1 request for new projects and 0 inspections of completed projects.
- Sixteen warning letters were sent for Christmas decorations and other miscellaneous items.
- All WINTER decorations should have been removed by March 1.
- As we move into spring, a reminder that ALL outside changes require ALCC approval. If you have a question, please call the office to verify. Work done without ALCC approval will result in 100.00 fine.
- Only white ground lighting is allowed in front of Acacia homes.
- NO COLORED OR STRING LIGHTING should be displayed other than during the Christmas/holiday season.

Welcome baskets:

No welcome baskets were delivered in the month of February.



Acacia Office:

The Acacia telephone directory has been updated and we would like to be able to share it with residents. But we do not want to have it printed again. It's expensive and the last time we did it very few residents actually picked one up. So, this time it was suggested that we have it available electronically for residents. This would not be on our website as that is not password protected but available to residents who request it via email attachment. The Board will look into a way that it could be accessible to registered

Residents, we will keep you posted on our progress.

We will no longer deliver letters to residents – this is not legal – so from now on all letters will be mailed. Since we know that at times the mail is slow, we will need to adjust our time lines for reinspection for fines.

Election Director's Report:

Jennifer Cione, Tom Herley and Ben Boyd were the candidate that were voted in on February 22, 2022. Director Cione and Director Herley took their oaths of office and sworn in at the February 22, .2022 Acacia Annual Meeting. Director Boyd was sworn in tonight, March 8, 2022. Thank you to all that helped in the whole process: Linda, Jose, Janice, Phyllis and Amy. Definitely appreciate all who gave their time.

Homeowner Forum: No report from resident in audience.

New Business:

We were sad to hear of the deaths of Bob Bersin, an Acacia original owner and long time Board member and Ruth Davenport, a long time Acacia resident. Our condolences to their family and friends.

Acacia is planning another food drive – we will send date, time and details when they are finalized.

President Eckert motioned to adjourn the regular March 8th, 2022 meeting and go into Executive Session at 7:47pm, seconded by Director Boyd.

Motion passed with an 8-0-1 vote.

President Eckert Motioned to close Executive Session and return to Open Session, seconded by Director McMillin.

Motion passed with an 8-0-1 vote.

During Executive Session the board members determined officers and assignments.

President - Amy Eckert

Vice President - Peggy Rose Kwiatek

Treasurer - Diane Voyles

Secretary - Lyn McMillin

Clubhouse and Welcome Baskets - Peggy Rose Kwiatek, Lyn McMillin

Recreation Committee - Amy Eckert, Joe Consolo, Jennifer Cione

Grounds - Joe Consolo

Townhome Maintenance - Ben Boyd

ALCC - Diane Voyles, Jen Cione, Tom Herley

Office - Amy Eckert

Elections - Lyn McMillin

Village Relations - unfilled at this point

President Eckert motioned to close the regular March 8th, 2022 meeting, seconded by Director McMillin.

Motion carried with an 8-0-1 vote.

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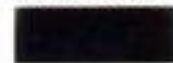
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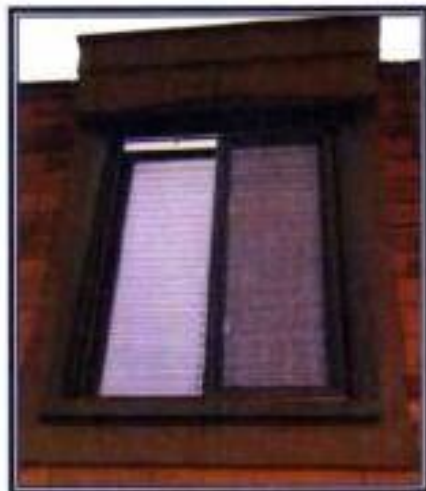


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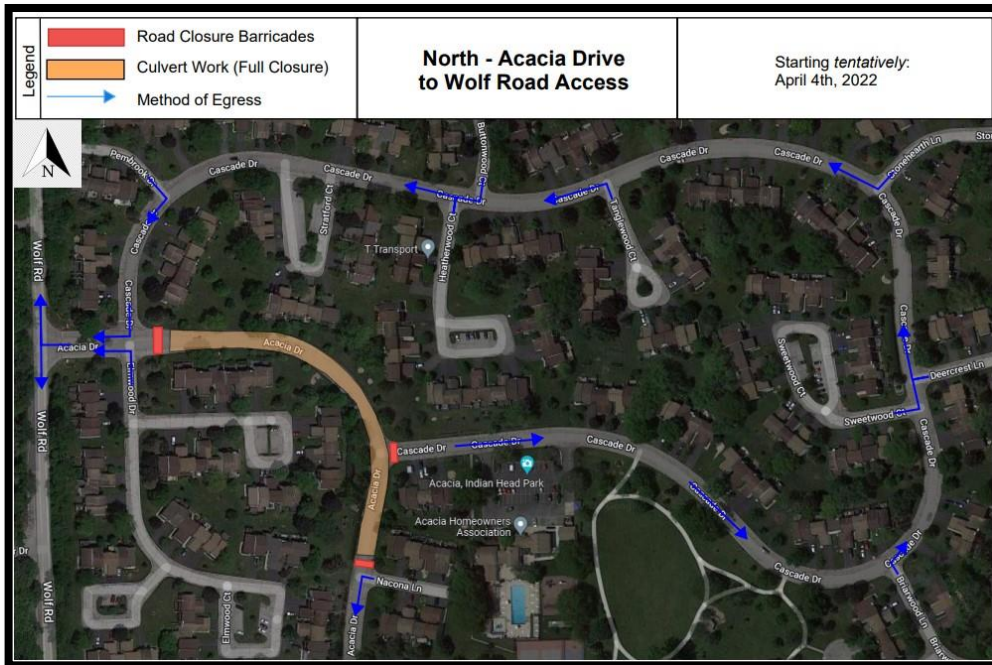
Actual Acacia Project
Photos



VILLAGE NEWS

Road Construction is set to begin on the North end of Acacia Drive in April, an exact date has not been determined. Stage 2 of the project will extend further south towards Village Hall and includes the Wolf Road and Acacia Drive intersection to the north. Crews will try to keep as much of Acacia Drive open as much as possible during construction. See the photo below for how anticipated traffic is expected to flow. The Village will do its best to make the process go as smoothly as possible.

If you have any questions or would like a full-page copy of the map, please contact Village Hall at 708-246-3080 or email Admin@indianheadpark-il.gov



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