

ASSOCIATION NEWS

July 2018

June Board Meeting Highlights

1. The Board welcomed **Mary Moore** to the board to fill out the term ending December 31, 2018. At that time Mary is eligible for election to a full term.
2. The Board approved the appointment of **Joe** and **Jean Ira** to the Architectural Review Committee.
3. The Board adopted a motion to reimburse an owner for SVOA expense incurred more than one year ago. At the same time the Board approved a motion that in the future expenses, in order to be reimbursed, have to be submitted within 90 days of occurrence.
4. The Board noted that maintenance of irrigation systems on owner property is the responsibility of the owner. If NLS finds defective irrigation heads, they will notify the owner.
5. The Board will change the SVOA landscape specification to require 100% spraying for crane fly versus the current language of "as needed."
6. The Community Garden Committee (**RobinJeanne Parks**) reported that one space is still available in the Community Garden.
7. Parking of recreational vehicles is restricted to loading and unloading. The Board noted ambiguities in definitions and enforcement. **Diane Marthaler** volunteered to draft a more precise statement regarding R.V. parking.

Next Board Meeting

The Board meets in the Clubhouse every second Wednesday of the month at 2pm in. The next meeting is July 11, 2018. Tony Olson and Gerald van Belle noted that they will be out of town. With the new board member present, **Mary Moore**, there is still a quorum and the Board will meet at the usual time with **Diane Marthaler** presiding.

Turfgrass Management Report by OSU Students

OSU undergraduate students in a Turfgrass Management class were given permission to do a survey of soil samples in Stoneybrook Village and report the results. The report was submitted last month and acknowledged by the Board at the June Board meeting. The full report is available on the SVOA website [http://www.svoa-corvallis.org/uploads/2/0/2/4/20242233/svoa - soil report 180614.pdf](http://www.svoa-corvallis.org/uploads/2/0/2/4/20242233/svoa_-_soil_report_180614.pdf).

Here are selected highlights from the report.

1. Soil samples were collected from four locations.
2. Soil phosphorus, magnesium, and calcium levels were adequate for plant growth.
3. Soil potassium levels were deficient and soil tended to be acidic.
4. The report included recommendations for mowing, fertilization, irrigation, tree wells, turf revival, broadleaf weed control, moss prevention, and European crane fly management.



The class was taught by **Alec Kowalewski**, Assistant Professor, Turfgrass specialist at Oregon State University's Department of Horticulture. Eight students were involved in the project: **Cameron Hendricks, Mitchell Monen, Henry Riesenberg, Grant Roth, Brenden Shaffer, Shane Shaffer, Caleb Smith, and Derrick Stelle**. The project was recommended by SVOA's **Oscar Gutbrod**. This is a great example of the benefit of town-and-gown interaction. The board has forwarded the report to Northwest Landscaping Services.

Preparedness Committee (Steve Napack)

It's time to check/update your SVOA "HELP YOUR NEIGHBOR" green card!

This is the green card that folds in thirds, with information about your four neighbors on each of the wings of the card: two neighbors to your left and two to your right. In the case of an emergency, you can use this information to help your neighbor. Part of the process is to get to know these neighbors and fill out your cards together. Spending a small amount of time doing this can save lives and helps you know your neighbors better. We have had a fair amount of turn-over in Stoneybrook, so please check that the information on your card is correct for the current neighbors. There are green labels that can be stuck over the old information so you can add updated information for that address. New neighbors have been provided with these labels, and we can get you more if you need them. Keep your cards where you know you can find them.

If you need a new card, new labels, or don't know what we are talking about, please contact Linda Chisholm, 541-752-4534 (lindachism@msn.com) or Steve Napack, 541-220-0510 (steve.napack@gmail.com).

Irrigation Clocks at SVOA (Repeated from last month)

Will Ward, the Northwest Landscaping Service manager informed Kurt Powell about current run times for irrigation clocks:

Turf: Start time 10:00pm. Station Run Time, 10 minutes. Tuesday, Friday, and Sunday.

Beds: Start time 10pm. Station Run Time, 7 minutes. Sunday.

Weed Abatement Program

The City of Corvallis operates an annual weed abatement program from June 1 to September 30. Uncontrolled weed growth and subsequent drying out constitutes a fire hazard. The Corvallis Fire Marshall is responsible for code enforcement. Concerns can be lodged at the city website: weed.abatement@corvallisoregon.gov

REMINDER: Exterior modifications (with few exceptions) of homes in Stoneybrook Village require prior formal approval by the Architectural Review Committee (ARC). Please submit ARC Change Request Form for exterior modifications to your home. Exterior modifications include, but are not limited to, retaining walls, drainage changes, lighting, pergolas, awnings, fences, hedges, screens, trellises, skylights, trash and yard debris enclosures, ramps, painting, antennas and TV dishes, tree or significant landscape removal and/or replacement in front and side yards, raised garden beds, railings and hand holds. ARC guidelines are available at: <http://www.svoa-corvallis.org>. Thank you very much, Architectural Review Committee