

2024

July Open Board Meeting

The Woodlands Winding Brook HOA

07/11/2024

Professionals:

Property Manager: Jamar Property Management ~ Ashley point person

Financial Manager: Laurie (*via Stephen Miller CPA*)

Administrative Assistants: Megan & Aran/Kriste

Board:

Vacant: President

[Board Member Assigned]: Acting Vice President

Li Meuser: Secretary

Valerie Grim: Acting Treasurer

Cathy Brown: At large board member

Jeanette Clausen: At large board member



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Reminder of contact information

Listed at the bottom of the agenda and on all board emails

The Woodlands HOA Website: <https://www.woodlandshoa.net/>

HOA Request link: <https://www.woodlandshoa.net/hoa-requests/>

Homeowner Google Drive Access:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/0AINrI5OycSUwUk9PVA>

Open board meetings 2nd Thursday of the month from 7-8:30pm (no December meeting)

Town hall meetings 3rd Thursday of the month Quarterly (March, June, September (no December meeting))

*Please use the website for all needs including supplemental documentation or pictures along with your HOA request.
You may call Property Management Jamar if you need assistance with this.*



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1. Call to Order ~ [Board Member Assigned] (7:00-7:04)

- Recognition of attendees (homeowners, board member, professionals and notetaker)
- Logistics reminders
- **Time frame:** Open board meetings 7-8:30 (with a 6-7 exec meeting prior). In respect to our volunteers, we will not go over this time frame.
 - **Frequency:** Open board meetings 2nd Thursday of the month from 7-8:30pm (no December meeting)
 - Zoom meeting ID: 9202020239 no password
 - **Purpose:** Open board meeting purpose:
 - Professionals & board reports information to homeowners (provides education when time allows)
 - Discussion and information sharing between homeowners to facilitate collective decision making and community building
 - HOA Board publicly votes on non-confidential, non-urgent new items of business.

1. Call to Order ~ [Board Member Assigned] (7:00-7:04)

- **Comment Period:** Please hold all general homeowner comments for the “homeowner comment” period at the end of the meeting (last 15-30 minutes, as time allows). Topic specific feedback will be solicited on items before voting.
- We welcome homeowner comments, as it provides valuable feedback for the board’s decision-making process to help the community.
 - **Conduct agreement:**
 - No disparaging/derogatory written or spoken comments allowed. As a community, we will work to remind one another to refrain from personal or social identity attacks and focus instead on solution building
 - Once a discussion or decision is over, we consider that discussion/decision dead and will not dedicate monthly meeting time to rehash it. We may talk about past discussions or decisions as they relate to future HOA actions or decisions to be made. Our focus is on moving HOA business forward.
 - Disagreements are necessary and important. All disagreements should be voiced in a respectful and *constructive* manner. Assume goodwill of your fellow neighbors and HOA partners.
 - **Conduct violations:**
 - 1st violation = warning
 - 2nd violation = lose speaking privileges during homeowner comment periods (possible removal for meeting disruption)
 - **Technology:** Chat bar purpose: for technical issues, discussion time (same procedure as above)
 - ***We will do our best to have 30 minutes of reports/guest speakers, 30 minutes of new board business, and 30 minutes of homeowner comments (as time permits).*** *We may deviate from this schedule based on needs of items and time.*

2. Land Acknowledgement & Grounding Exercise ~ [Board Member

Assigned] (7:04-7:05)

Photo Credit: <https://www.in.gov/dnr/forestry/properties/morgan-monroe-state-forest/>



- As we work to build and repair our community, we must honestly and humbly confront the uncomfortable events in our past that have led us to where we are now.
- To do this, it is important to start from the beginning and know our origin stories. The uncomfortable truth is that we are inhabiting (and benefitting from) land that was illegally and violently taken from the indigenous peoples who cared lovingly for it. Much of the economic progress in our community since that time is a direct result of forced servitude and unpaid labor of people of color, a majority of whom were enslaved African peoples.
- We recognize tribes like the Miami, Delaware, Potawatomi, and Shawnee as past, present, and future caretakers of this land, and we recognize the need for inclusive organizational and interpersonal practices to begin addressing the horrific history on which our economic stability was borne.
- If we fail to recognize the immoral and violent foundation on which our community was built, we can never claim full honesty and transparency. We commit to the difficult work necessary to create and promote a more equitable and just neighborhood culture.

3. Diversity Items ~ Li (7:05-7:06)

Diversity Commitment

- The HOA board is committed to diversity, equity and inclusion
- Racial, homophobic, gender or any discrimination words or actions will not be tolerated
- If anyone ever experiences being a victim of a slur being towards them, they may file a homeowner request immediately
- Value the racial, gender, age, and other types of diversity in this board and community.
- The HOA board commits to ensuring accommodations are updated regularly for older residents and residents with different abilities
- Current ADA accommodations: closed captions turned on in Zoom meetings, microphones checked before Zoom meetings, ADA path to pond area deck being reviewed

Hate speech

- Strive to adopt a good will approach
- Zero tolerance policy for use of derogatory slurs
- Victims of hate speech may report incidents (include documentation if possible) so they may be formally documented by the board
- Value inclusivity and consider addressing the use of hate speech in the neighborhood an important issue

4. Financial Manager's Report ~ Laurie (7:06-7:11pm)

- Current report on financials that are sent out to homeowners and put up on the Homeowner Google Drive (this includes invoices, contracts and all other financial documents sent to homeowners)
- Any upcoming fees due
- Different ways to pay fees ~ reminder of paying on the website

5. Property Manager's Report ~ Jamar (7:11-7:16pm)

- Report out on work in the neighborhood and bids being acquired
- Bring up Yearly Maintenance Schedule (YMS) to review with PM
- Link on the website on the www.woodlandshoa.net

6. Guest Speaker~ [Board Member Assigned] (7:16-7:16)

- None this month ~ please keep slide here for future guest speakers
- Continue to review the updated Reserve Study 2024 (last study done in 2018), as it will inform homeowner questions for many of the guest speakers for the future
- Guest speaker yearly schedule:
 - October Annual Meeting: Legal counsel Jason from Mcauley Law
 - November open board meeting: Frank from First Insurance Group
- **Homeowner question period** *(if time)*
- ***Note: Guest speakers are arranged to help provide education on pertinent topics***

7. Approval of Minutes ~ [Board Member Assigned] (7:16-7:17)

- Open Board Meeting: Last month's open board meeting minutes
 - **Action:**

8. Report out on Decisions ~ [Board Member Assigned] (7:17-7:19pm)

- Board AWM
 - None
- Executive meeting decisions
 - Appointment of Kris Kuntz to the Board
 - Appointment of Susan Seitzinger to the Ground Committee
 - Liens/Foreclosures/payment plans signed by homeowners
 - Broad HOA values and structure
- Property Manager DMA
 - See property manager report
- **Please note:**
 - *Discretionary Monthly Approval (DMA) ~ Property manager has \$1,500 per month per their contract.*
 - *“Action without a Meeting” (AWM) is business that is voted on by the board via the board email, which is standard practice for the board between meetings. Voting by email must be a unanimous vote by the entire board for the vote to pass. This is a standard and proper procedure and necessary for the large amount of maintenance that is required from a property as robust as The Woodlands.*
 - *Time limitations: the HOA board is responding to homeowner requests to have more speakers at our meetings and more homeowner comment period time. This leaves us with less time to review contracts and The Woodlands has a large amount of external and common area maintenance work that must be contracted to meet the board’s obligation to repair and maintain these areas. Please note that we review as many contracts as we can at open board meetings, but sometimes time limitations and confidential legal items limit this process.*

9. Executive References ~ Li (7:19-7:20pm)

- **Executive meeting**

- Dates

- **Executive meetings**

- 06/11/24 (Admin)
- 06/13/24 (Legal)
- 06/20/24 (Town Hall)
- 06/26/24 (Structural)
- 07/1/24 (Structural)
- 07/9/24 (Admin)
- 07/11/24 (Monthly Executive)

- Arrearages, confidential matters, legal items, HOA requests, correct policies/procedures

- 1 pending Indemnification case

- 1 lawsuit against the board originating in 2020

- *Note: The board cannot comment publicly on pending legal*

- **Lawsuits/Legal Updates:** You can look up the public legal cases online

- mycase.in.gov , or <https://public.courts.in.gov>

- Current active case #: 53C01-2105-PL-001157 (& 1 confidential indemnification case, 1 new confidential Attorney General complaint)

- Non-active case #: 53C06-2206-CT-001096, 53C06-2212-PL-002665, 53C06-2205-MI-001071 (& 5 confidential cases)

- Helpful link to see up-to-date info in your neighborhood: <https://monroein.elevatemaps.io/>

- Cases that are private and can't be shared with homeowners: Bloomington Human Rights Commission, Indiana Civil Rights Commission and Protective Order Cases.

- Filings of disability discrimination cases have increased greatly for all HOAs nationally (despite their validity).

- Please consider meeting with the board and then mediation before filing cases like these, as legal costs are shared by all homeowners. The board is hopeful that the neighborhood is moving in this positive direction, as we began having dispute and mediation meetings with homeowners, as well as more active participation from more neighbors in working to solve neighborhood issues. These are good steps forward for our community and shoutout to everyone giving their efforts.

10. President's Report ~ (slide 1) [Board Member Assigned] (7:20-7:30pm)

- **2024:** Monthly HOA fees to stay the same and no special assessment for 2024
- **2024 Projects Large:**
 - Obsolete Pond Area / Stormwater Drainage Area Repair (grant for extra funds needed)
 - Neighborhood wide drainage repair in 4 phases (estimated 2-3 years to complete)
 - Foundation drain repairs for all buildings based on need (2-3 years to complete with large drainage area repair (for cost saving measures)
- **2024 Projects Medium:**
 - Governing documents re-recorded (no changes) PDF document put onto the HGD & website: More ADA compliant version, easier to read for homeowners who use assistive reading technology
 - HOA Request system: now used for contractor and committee as well as homeowners to submit documents (improve training, payment time and report responses)
 - Yearly Maintenance Schedule (YMS)
 - Rules and Regulations update (last update 2018)
 - Welcome Packet
 - Committee structure and procedures

10. President's Report ~ (slide 2) [Board Member Assigned] (7:20-7:30pm)

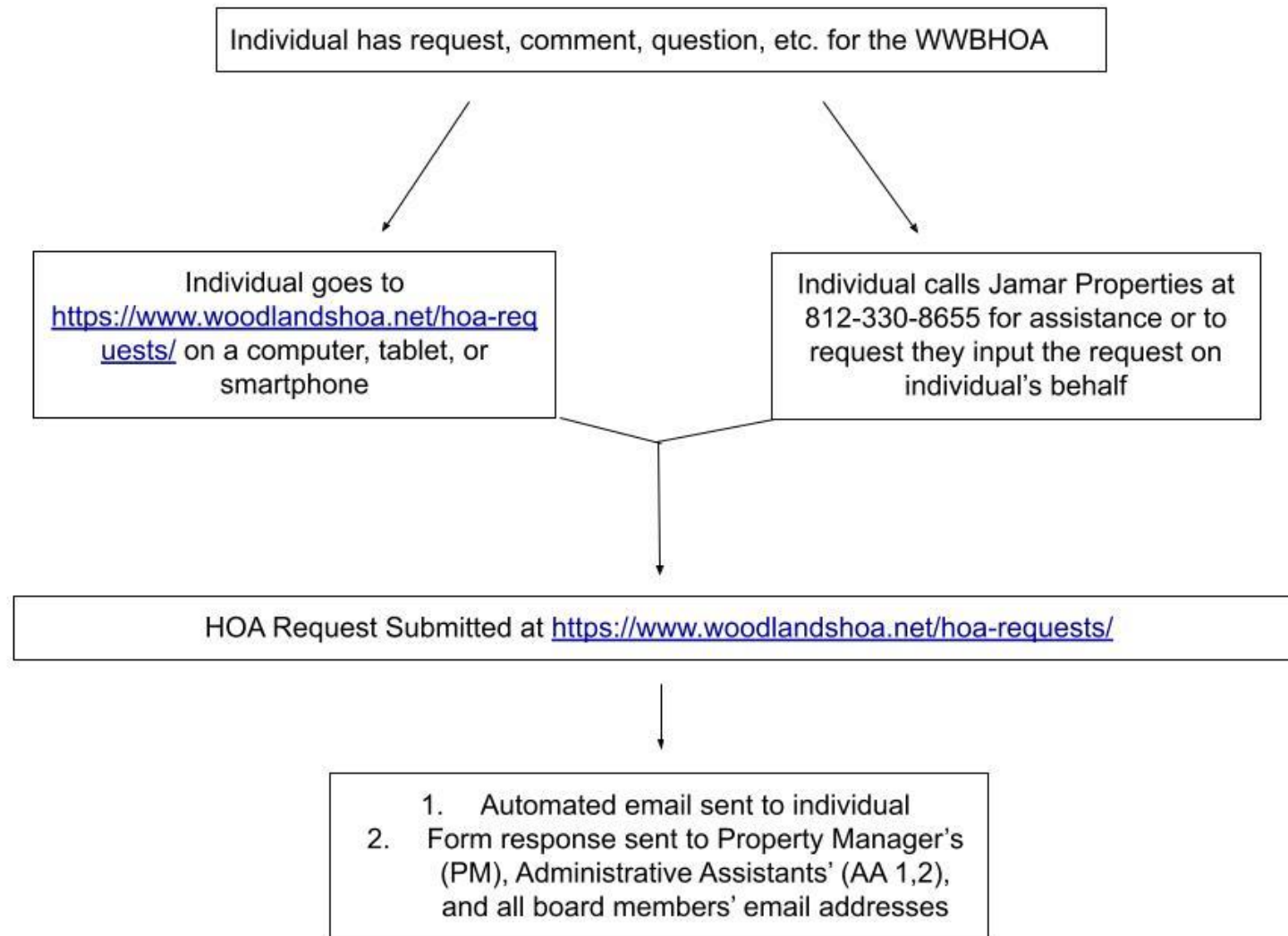
- **2023/2024 Financial Trends:** See financial manager info (sent monthly & in HGD)
 - 2023/2024 savings will be very important for reserve fund needs for big projects in 2024/2025
 - Arrears: collecting on arrears).
 - Total account balance (see financial reports for more details)
- **Delinquency Policy Resolution (DPR) :**
 - Effort for fair process to collect HOA fees
 - At 90 days late, FM sends 1st & 2nd written notices, then the account goes to legal for collection
 - Board in discussions about charging interest on late fees
- **Board Positions :**
 - 3 open board seats for 3-year terms starting in 2025
 - voting over mail (in October, due November 1 – see weekly announcements for details)
 - Please submit candidate nomination form on the website: <https://www.woodlandshoa.net/get-involved/>.
 - One open board seat for term ending Dec. 31, 2025 (position vacated by Shahana)
 - If you would like to be appointed for the remainder of this term, please submit an HOA request indicating that.
- **Calendar:**
 - Spring Garage Sale
 - Fall Community Volunteer Day & Chimney Inspections
 - Fall Annual meeting (October)
 - Volunteer Weeding every Monday at 7pm, Tuesdays 9am & Saturdays at 11am
- **Logistics:**
 - Annual meeting held on the 2nd Thursday of October over zoom
 - Meeting notices (paper mailings) are required to be sent out no more than 30 days prior, but at least 10 days prior.
 - Next election cycle is the fall annual meeting in 2024 with 3 board seats to fill 3-year terms.

10. President's Report (slide 3) ~ [Board Member Assigned]

- **Dispute Process & HOA Request System** (*Homeowner vs HOA disputes*)
 - All **HOA requests** and communication **must** go through the HOA request page on the website: <https://www.woodlandshoa.net/hoa-requests/>
 - Including: maintenance, financial, documents, complaints, general questions etc.
 - Requests can be submitted on a computer or phone.
 - Call Jamar Property Management if you need help or would like for them to submit on your behalf.
- **Dispute Process:**
 1. HOA request submitted on the website; homeowner unsatisfied with response.
 2. A homeowner may ask the board for a zoom meeting if you feel that your request has not been resolved (use the HOA request portal on the website). Please do this **before** moving to legal action, as legal action costs all homeowners money and puts our insurance at risk. The meeting will be with one homeowner only and all board members must be invited.
 3. If after a homeowner's zoom meeting with the board they feel their issue hasn't been resolved, a homeowner may ask for a mediated zoom meeting with the board through non-profit organization CJAM (homeowner must initiate).
- We must change the culture in our neighborhood to use an internal Dispute Process to save on legal costs, as this helps us avoid using legal methods for disputes. Legal action puts our whole neighborhood at risk and could potentially severely impact our homeowner fees and property values.
- If you are a homeowner in current litigation with the board, we **CANNOT** meet with you until your legal matter is resolved.

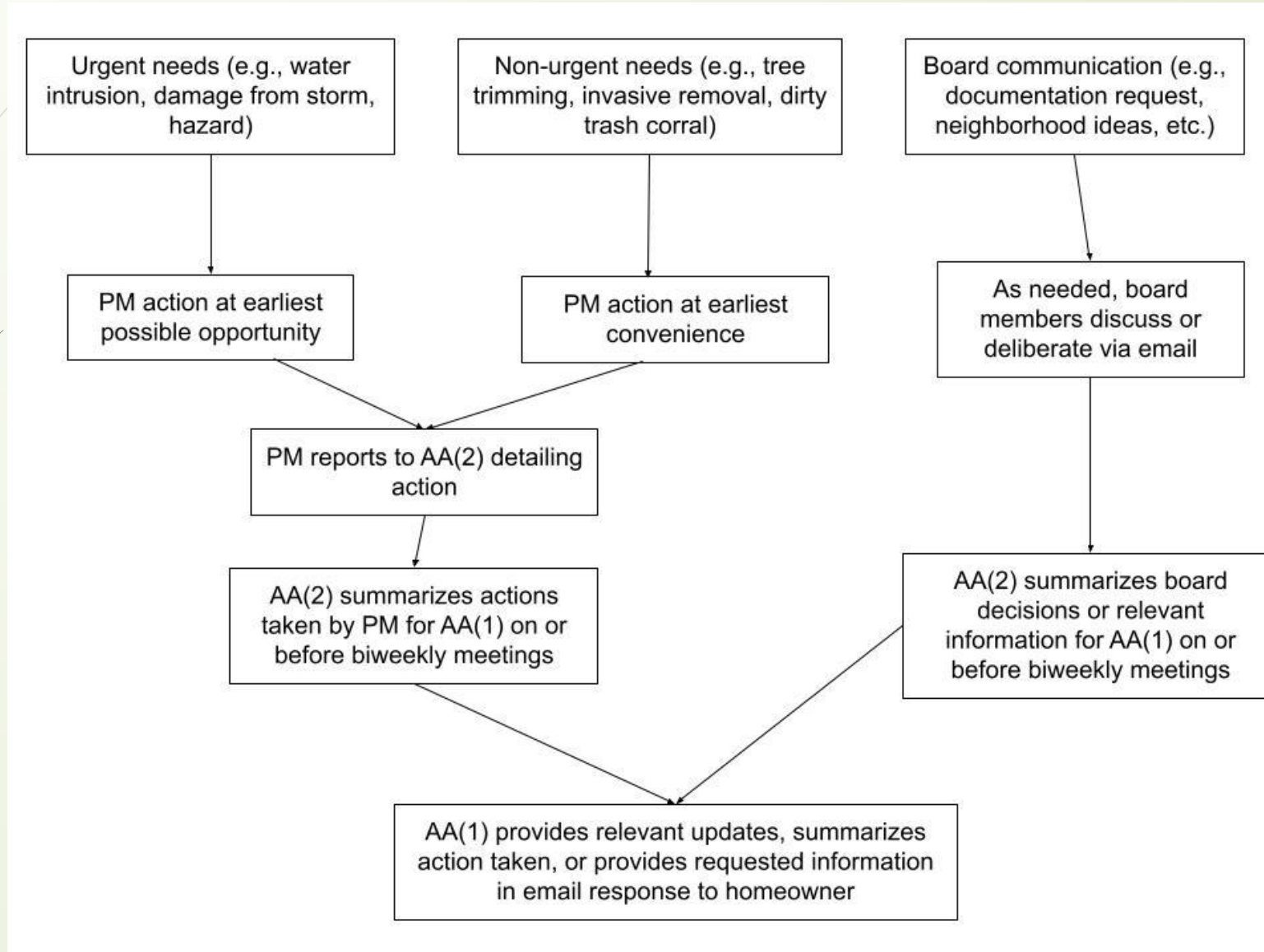
10. President's Report (slide 4) ~ [Board Member Assigned]

Dispute Process & Homeowner Request System (Homeowners vs HOA)



10. President's Report (slide 5) ~ [Board Member Assigned]

Dispute Process & Homeowner Request System (Homeowners vs HOA)



11. Treasurer's Report ~ Valerie (7:30-7:35)

New/Updated items: look at agenda for details & standard items

- New/Updated Items
 - **Financial manager documents** : Emailed to homeowners and uploaded to the *Homeowner Google Drive* monthly
 - **Financial Manager funds totals** : See financial statements
 - **Legal expenses** : Still high due to internal conflict lawsuits, jeopardizes our external insurance cost
 - **2024 budget** : Financial committee will track/make recommendations for the 2025 budget before annual meeting, as well as a 5–10-year budget recommendation after the RSI study comes out
 - **Reserve/RSI study** 2024 Updated report on the Homeowner Google Drive
 - **October 2024 annual meeting** : Where the budget will be reviewed and approved usually
 - **Quarterly Internal Audits:** In progress for the new year, satisfactory for 2023
 - **HOA Payments** : can be made on the website: <https://www.woodlandshoa.net/payment/>
 - Please check the “current financial manager procedures” for data and all correct procedures being taken by the board to ensure financial safety.
 - Please note that current fees and yearly costs to homeowners can be found on the website

12. Financial Manager Procedures

● Documents for Homeowners to review

- FM sends financials via email (monthly) to all homeowners & puts on the HGD in the “Financial Statements Public.”
- FM puts the invoices/receipts once a month in the “Invoices & Receipts.” *HGD*
- FM puts the signed contracts once a month in the “Contracts.” *HGD after a board member and the contractor sign them and email them to the FM/PM/Board*
- FM adds any insurance information for new contractors to the *HGD*
- FM adds the public contact list once a quarterly in “Contact List” with a reminder from the Admin Assistant via the YMS and emails those lists the PM & Board
- Board members continue to add reports and studies to the HGD as received (property manager, committee reports, meeting minutes and other)

Homeowners have access to documents within a reasonable amount of time.

13. Financial Manager ~ additional info for homeowners

- **Financial Manager Procedures**: The board is following all procedures advised by our financial manager to keep our funds safe.
- **HOA Board Approval**: HOA board business is approved by the board either by open board meeting, exec meeting when appropriate, action without a meeting over email or property manager allowed approval allocation (\$1,500 per month).
- **Payment Approval**: Invoices are approved by two board members via the HOA Request system on the website before a check or online payment is made.
- **Check Signing**: Checks are verified by two board members via HOA Request system or email before signed with Valerie's signature stamp.
- **Debit card purchases**: are approved by the board or property manager before use and have an invoice/receipt.
- **Monthly Financial Statement Review**: Each month the financial statements are reviewed by the admin assistant and board prior to being sent out. The financial committee then gives feedback on these statements.

14. Committee Reports ~ Valerie (7:35-7:45pm)

- **Current Committees:**
 - Grounds Committee: Blair Beavers, Kriste Lindberg [**Board Member Assigned**] (head of committee)
 - Finance Committee: Cindy Johnson, Kris Kuntz, Ash Gupta, Jim Mayer [**Board Member Assigned**] (head of committee)
 - Outreach Committee (*Outreach, Welcoming, Recreational & Social Gathering Committee*): Peggy Billeck, Sam Troxal, **Cathy Brown** (head of committee)
 - Buildings Committee: Connie Beckwith, Jeff Cupp, **Jeanette Clausen** (head of committee)
- Notes on how to get involved
 - Put in a homeowner request on the website indicating what committee you would like to join, and the board will vote on it.
 - Homeowners wanting to be more involved ~ this is a great opportunity!
 - Possible other committee: Inclusion & Engagement Committee
 - Note: some committee members have reported facing harassment by fellow homeowners ~ this is not acceptable behavior. Please have respect for our hard-working volunteers!

14. Committee Reports

Grounds Committee ~ [Board Member Assigned]

- **Herbaceous invasive management** To be a part of the drainage area yearly maintenance and native planting maintenance for the entire Woodlands property
- **Woody invasive management** contract from Bluestone for 3 years (removed spraying from Landscaping contract)
- **Fall event:**
 - Fall community volunteer day event (items to be determined based on how the obsolete pond area repair is going)

14. Committee Reports

- **Finance Committee**

- Updates:

- Continued working on 2025 Budget. Expect to present a VERY preliminary copy to the Board in the first week of July.

14. Committee Reports

- **Outreach Committee**

- Updates:

- **Welcome Package**
currently being reviewed by the board
- **Neighborhood Directory completed**
currently awaiting upload to the google drive
- **Outreach for grant volunteer hours/tracking ongoing**
- **Building Community**
 - Reviewing a variety of events and social groups that could help build community in the Woodlands. More information to follow.
 - Volunteer weeding days: Mondays at 5:30pm, Tuesday and Saturdays 11am!
 - Spring garage sale was held June 8, 8am-12pm
 - Possible Dessert and Conversation on the 'pond" deck in July

- **Buildings Committee**

- No June Report since newly formed with initial meeting Jul 2, 2024.

15. Operations Report ~ [Board Member Assigned] (7:45-7:50pm)

- **New/Updated Items**
- 309 completed HOA requests in 2023, 370 HOA requests as of July 1, 2024
 - 2024 HOA Requests: 308 complete (1 duplicate), 1 pending/responded (homeowner), 19 pending (internal board), 10 Committee pending, 7 not yet responded to, 25 Contractors
 - Current rate: estimated 2024 requests will be over 700, require at least 700 hours of administrative work ~ roughly \$12,600 on data gathering, coordinating with other professionals, follow-up, (estimated 1 hour per request, but often times more)
- All requests answered and **documented in the HOA Request spreadsheet** in a reasonable amount of time
- **Reminder of Common Areas & External Items (see slides below):**
 - Common area fences, sides/fronts/back of buildings & decks, trash area, dog stations, hammock area, pond area deck, basketball court & wood chip trails.
 - Repairs/restorations to the common areas ongoing (in picture slides)
- **Standard Items (read the detailed agenda)**

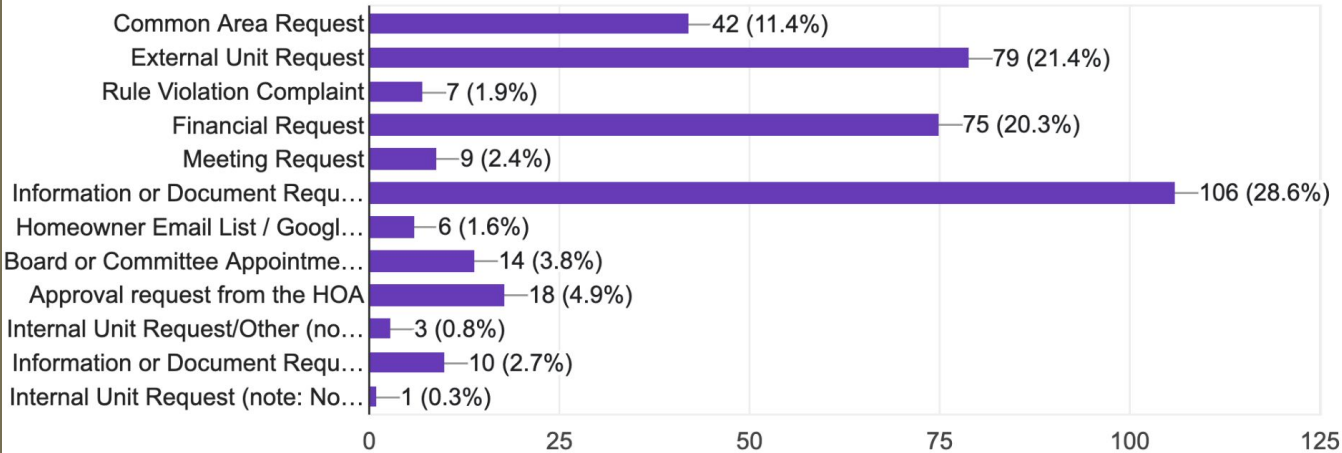
15. Operations Report Data ~ [Board Member Assigned]

(8:05-8:15pm)

370 HOA requests as of July 1, 2024

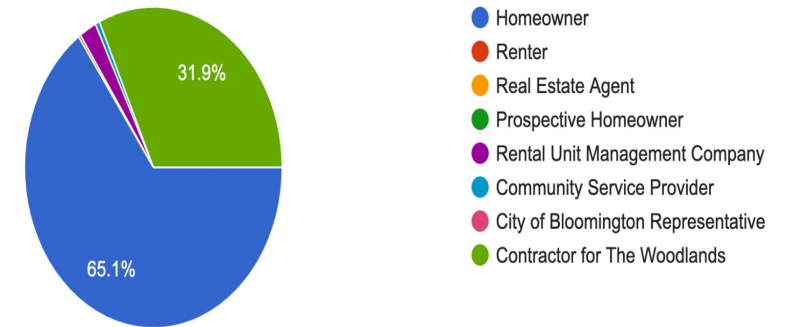
Request Type: Note: in the following questions below, please only answer the question that corresponds with the request type you selected in this question.

370 responses



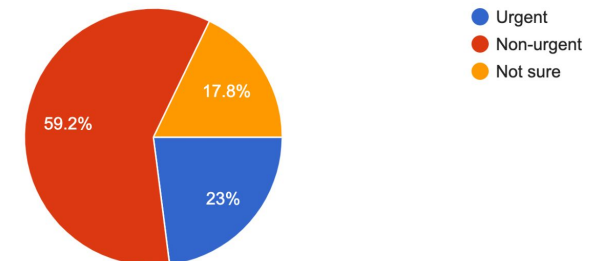
How are you affiliated with The Woodlands neighborhood in Bloomington Indiana?

370 responses



Do you consider this request to be urgent (i.e., needing immediate action to prevent severe damage or harm) or non-urgent (i.e., needing action as pro... issue does not pose an immediate hazard or risk)?

370 responses



15. Operations Report

- Bring up Yearly Maintenance Schedule (YMS) to review if needed
- Link on the website on the www.woodlandshoa.net
- Additional picture slides for homeowners to review on their own ~
reminder of all the property rules

A friendly reminder:

Being kind to your fellow neighbors creates a peaceful space for us all to live in!

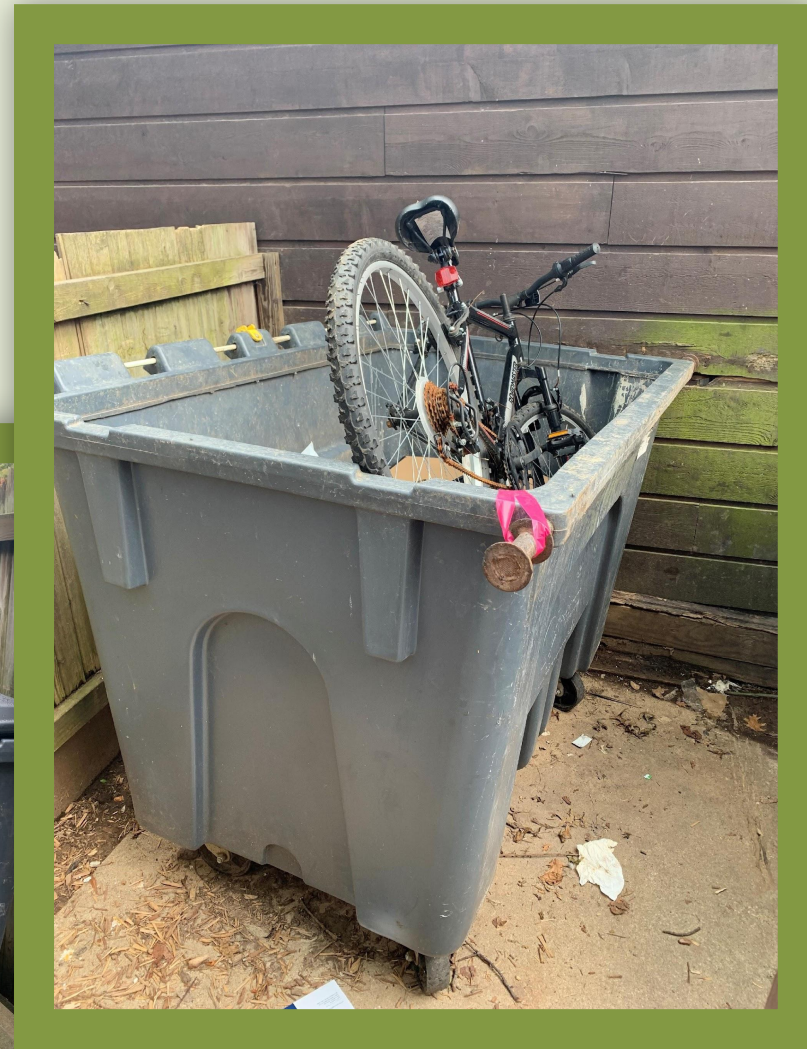
Common Areas:

Please put in a homeowner request if you have any feedback or any accommodations needed for the common areas or external items covered by the HOA



Dumpster Area Reminders:

- Trash must be properly put into a securely tied garbage bag.
- Garbage bags must be put into the dumpster with the lid closed on top.
- No disposal of large items or furniture (all homeowners get charged extra for this!)
- Please keep the dumpster lids closed
- Please check both sides of the dumpster if full (back side being left empty)
- Thank you for feedback, as we continue to improve the trash areas!!!



Dog Bag Stations

- Dog waste must be properly put into a dog waste bag (available at dog bag stations).
- Dog waste bins are for dog waste only — please use regular trash bins for other types of waste
- Please be courteous and dispose of your dog waste promptly and don't let it sit outside for long periods of time
- Upon homeowner request, the neighborhood now has 6 dog bag/waste stations, which should help keep our neighborhood clean and be convenient to all homeowners and renters!
- Still having issues with some homeowners leaving dog waste a foot or two by the dog stations. Please make the extra effort to clean up after your dog and check that your kids are doing the same! 😊



Common Area Privacy Fences:

Friendly reminder not to let plants grow on them



- Please don't let any plants grow up the sides/back/fronts of buildings or on decks/fences
- Plants damage the external buildings and make it difficult for building maintenance to be done.
- Any plants growing up the buildings/decks must be removed for regular building maintenance

Wood Chip Trail & Common Area Reminders:

- Keep personal items clear of the wood chip trails.
- Pick-up after your dog around this common area
- Please do not disturb or move items in the common area: benches, picnic tables or hammock.
- Please do not plant or put personal items in the common areas, as they belong to all homeowners to enjoy.
- Please do not kick apart the wood chip trail.



Common Areas around The Woodlands

Repaired/Restored and looking great!!!



Modified Bioretention Area Deck



Reminder that these areas are for all homeowners to enjoy so please Wood chip trails between buildings 1 & 11 with bench keep them clean and keep them free of personal items!

Common Areas around The Woodlands

Repaired/Restored and looking great!!!



Picnic tables near the HOA garage and garden area

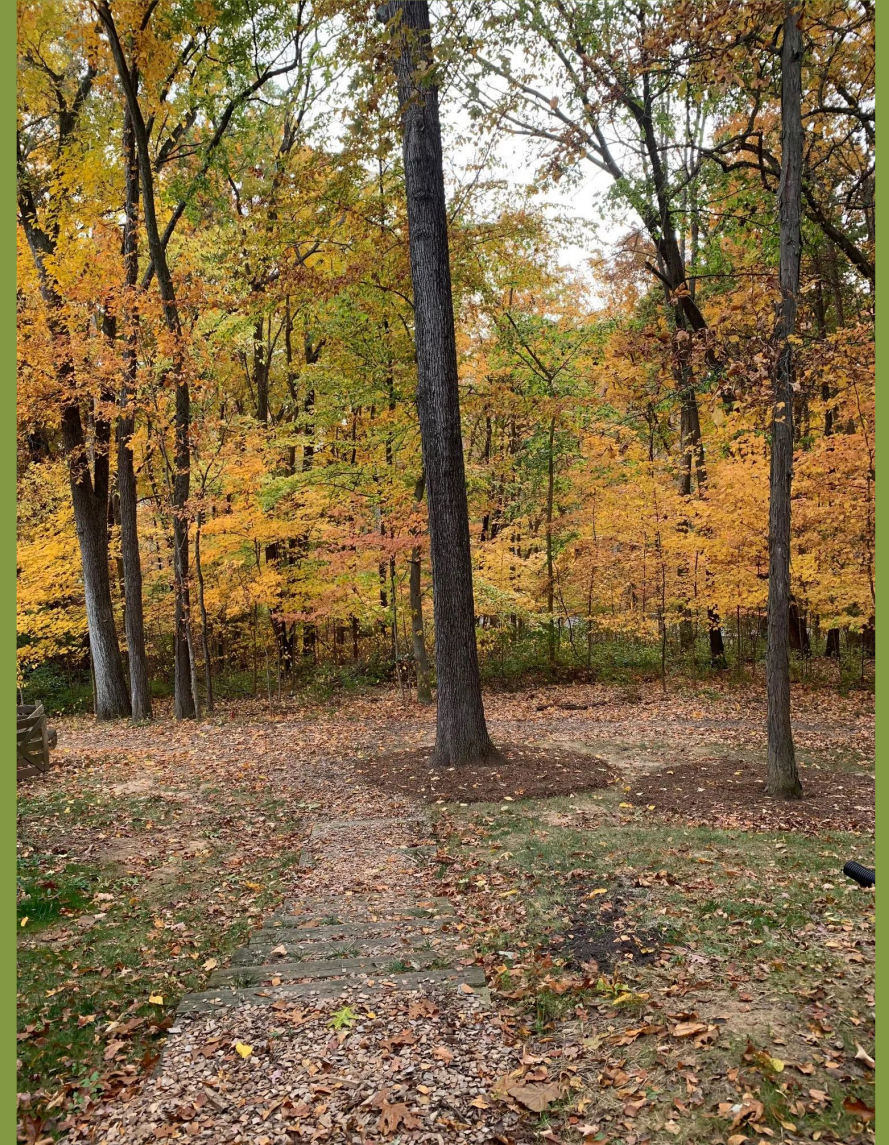


Green area between buildings 5 & 6 with bench

Reminder that these areas are for all homeowners to enjoy so please keep them clean and keep them free of personal items!



COMMON AREA



- Woody invasive management contract includes extra tree maintenance
- Mulch rings around newer and established trees to fight drought (2023 drought particularly bad)

Homeowners at the 2023 Community Volunteer Day!



Monthly newsletters

USPS, Email (link), Website & Homeowner Google Drive !

Please note: any extra legal may delay this item



Homeowners at the 2023 Community Volunteer Day!



Any monthly updates (photos): If none, move to the next slide

Quick reminder: put in an HOA request for any feedback or suggestions for the common areas or HOA responsible external items, along with any other request (financial or other)



15. Operations Report ~ [Board Member Assigned]

● Homeowner Request Process

- *All homeowner requests and communication **must** go through the HOA request page on the website.*
- Homeowner Request link: <https://www.woodlandshoa.net/hoa-requests/>
- Including: maintenance, financial, documents, etc. (all requests MUST go through this system)
- Requests can be submitted on a computer or phone.
- Call Jamar Property Management if you need help.
- We have a documented spreadsheet that we will have forever, and we are constantly aiming for fair responding to the enormous number of requests that we receive, with the help of our admin assistant and property manager.
- *Requests are responded to in order of urgency/severity. For items not taken care of by professionals, it may take the administrative assistant (with board member guidance) anywhere from weeks to months to respond accurately, which is still a reasonable amount of time (after the professionals like our property manager and appropriate contractors have already responded to the issue).*
- *If you are a homeowner in current litigation with the board, we CANNOT meet with you until that legal matter is officially resolved.*

15. Operations Report (slide 3) ~ [Board Member Assigned]

- **Quarterly Townhall Survey**
- *The board aims to put out a quarterly homeowner feedback survey to homeowners, as we value your participation and feedback towards making important decisions for The Woodlands*
- Homeowner Feedback survey link: <https://www.woodlandshoa.net/get-involved/>
- Previous Town hall survey reports:
https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1mH6TIgVJGnHDN61iABoCSUbBfXt2gWSR?usp=drive_link
- Next town hall meeting: September 19 7-8pm on zoom (meeting ID 9202320239)
- Other
- Note: Special thanks to board members who worked hard to make this shortened and collaborative survey for The Woodlands.

For more details on these read the detailed agenda document
/ meeting minutes:

- Tabled business
- Pending business
- Yearly contracts to review
- Postponed Business

20. New Business~ (7:50-7:55pm)

- New Business: Gutter and Downspout issue identified by Jamar in-house maintenance
 - Data: Gutter issues still being working on (A problem for the last 5+ years at least)
 - Steve's roofing put on large gutters with hang-over style gutter guards 10-15 years ago (estimate ~ no data exists)
 - Steve's roofing was asked to come back multiple times when the gutters weren't working and wasn't very responsive (2022)
 - Inspector identified that the hang-over gutter guards were the right kind for the steep pitch of the roof and water was just pouring over them directly at the buildings and animal nests were forming in the gutters
 - Hang-over style gutter guards extremely difficult to clean, because they would have to be removed each time, in order to clean the gutters
 - Hang-over style gutter guards removed and disposed of, for twice a year gutter cleaning
 - April 2024 Jamar maintenance determined that the gutters on the highest point of the buildings was installed incorrectly (sitting two feet away from the building)
 - Reason for Action: Keeping water away from the buildings
 - Professional Advising provided: Currently Jamar is trying to get Steve's roofing to come out and meet with them so that Jamar's maintenance can show them that they installed the gutters incorrectly and ask them to move the gutters closer to the building or put on correct gutters
 - Cost/Benefit Analysis (budget):
 - Discussion: No action at this time ~ Jamar working on recommendations

20. New Business~ (7:55-8:00pm)

- New Business: Bat issue
 - Data: Bat prevention on the exterior is needed to prevent bat infestations on the buildings
 - Current bat infestation (with bat bugs) on the roof of building 13: HOA taking care of external building item (all homeowners in that building responsible for the cost to do their attics)
 - When this bat infestation is cleaned out, they will just move on to another building if proper prevention measures aren't conducted
 - Rough estimates of prevention (\$20,000 ~ still pending & taken out of operational budget by finance committee in 2023)
 - Bat boxes installed around the neighborhood not enough
 - Screens need to be put up at the chimney caps and ends of buildings (over soffits) to keep the bats from finding homes on the outsides of the buildings
 - Reason for Action:
 - Professional Advising provided:
 - Cost/Benefit Analysis (budget):
 - Discussion: No action at this time ~ Jamar working on recommendations with a pest control company

20. New Business~ (8:00-8:05pm)

- New Business: Reserve Study Data & Large Repair Planning Discussion
 - Data: Allow for the Finance Committee to lead if comfortable
 - Reason for Action:
 - Large repair amounts identified in the reserve study
 - City of Bloomington citation is going to require a timeline for the large drainage repair & foundation drainage repair (still need \$175,000 or more to fund)
 - Very large repairs coming up ~ loans or special assessments may be needed
 - Start planning now so homeowners can be aware of potential future costs
 - Professional Advising provided:
 - Cost/Benefit Analysis (budget)
 - Discussion:

20. New Business~ (8:10-8:20pm)

- New Business: Bid from Taycon/Deep Roots to fix the Obsolete Pond Area
 - Data: Citation from the city ~ drainage area must be fixed
 - Reason for Action: First phase for the large drainage repair: the drainage area where all the water goes to must be functioning properly before the large drainage repair can happen
 - Professional Advising provided:
 - Cost/Benefit Analysis (budget): To be paid for as follows:
 - \$7,400 from NIG 2024 (only if project funded & documentation verifying this)
 - \$3,400 from NIG 2023
 - \$13,000 deferred from the operational budget under yearly pond area maintenance
 - \$16,000 deferred from the tree removal, maintenance, trimming budget
 - \$40,000 from reserve budget (reserve budget allocated \$40,000)
 - \$79,800 approved for this repair (take off the benches and platforms from the bid, can be done at a later date if funding allows)
 - Discussion: Motion: Move to approve the bid from Taycon/Deep roots to fix the obsolete pond area.
 - Next steps: Sign bid (board/contractor) & provide city with meeting minutes

21. Homeowner Comments ~ Board members & AA (8:10-8:30pm)

Civil behavior please

- **Logistics:** Homeowner comments are for questions and feedback to the board only
 - No disparaging/degrading language in general or comments of board members or property manager/contractors (considered meeting disruption)
 - 1st rule violation results in a warning, 2nd violation results in loss of speaking privileges during homeowner comments.
 - Board member to call on homeowners randomly, as hands are raised (*digitally or by image*)
 - Time keeper (verbal & hand signal warning at 2:30 & 3:00)
- **Procedures:**
 - Homeowners must limit their comments to 3 minutes per round & follow all board instructions
 - Board members will wait to give their responses until all homeowners who want to comment have gone for the round.
 - We will allow multiple rounds of homeowner comments, as time permits
 - Format follows city council meeting standard, why there aren't time limits for board members (as well as the fact that the board is sometimes responding to multiple questions)
 - Please save specific questions about items (i.e. detailed invoice questions) or data for a homeowner request. All board members have access to this data but can't be expected to know it off the tops of their heads.

22. Upcoming meetings ~ [Board Member Assigned] (8:30pm)

- Next open board meeting on zoom: August 8, 2024 7-8:30pm
 - Schedule for guest speakers:
 - February: RSI/Reserve study professional
 - October: Jason with legal to answer any legal questions
 - November: external insurance agent Frank from FIG to ask any insurance questions
- Next town hall meeting September 19, 2024
- No open board meeting in December (holidays)
- Open board meetings always the 2nd Thursday of the month from 7-8:30pm over zoom, zoom ID 9202320239 (no meeting in December, holiday month)

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