



MAY 2019

THE TOWN CRIER

COLONIAL SQUARE HOMES

BOARD MEMBERS

- Leslie LaMarche—President
- Debra Capps—1st Vice President
- Judy Allister—2nd Vice President
- Kathy Pestock—Treasurer
- Clyde Whitney—Secretary

OFFICE STAFF

- Crystal—On-site Manager
- Robin—Office Assistant
- Clifford—Maint. Superintendent
- Wayne—Maint. Tech.
- Jerry—Maint. Tech.
- Alex—Maint. Tech.
- Nasraldin—Groundskeeper

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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5 	6 Ramadan Begins	7	8	9 Board Meeting @ 7pm	10	11 Late Fees Applied
12 	13	14 Exterminations 1934-1976	15	16	17	18
19	20	21 Attorney Referrals	22	23	24	25
26	27 Memorial Day Office/Maint. Closed	28	29	30	31	

Colonial Square Homes, Inc.

April 11, 2019

Board Meeting

NEWSLETTER MINUTES

Board members present: Leslie LaMarche, president; Debra Capps, first vice president; Judy Allister, second vice president; Clyde Whitney, secretary; and Kathy Pestock, treasurer

Staff present: Cliff Abel, maintenance superintendent, and Crystal Keeton, office manager

Also attending: Marlene Dau, president, and Connie Mayer, regional manager, with Tailor Made Property Services, Inc., and Brad Constance, cooperative attorney

The board convened at 5:30 p.m.

The board discussed feral cat colonies on the property. Crystal will contact KC Pet Project and Kansas City animal control.

The board reviewed a bid from Tandem Paving for speed bumps totalling \$3,300. The board agreed that the speed bumps were not feasible for this year's budget due to cost and the damage the speed bumps would do to the cooperative's snow-plowing equipment.

Open Session

Appearing for the open session were members Amy Ingala, Annalee Kapp, Rene Love and Kathleen Morrison. Officer Kelly Stamm with the Crime-Free Program of the Shoal Creek Patrol Division of the Kansas City Police Department joined the meeting.

All present observed a moment of silence.

Leslie called the open session to order at 7:05 p.m.

For House and Grounds, Cliff reported that six vehicles were tagged in A Tract; five in B Tract.



Pressure Cooker Mediterranean Chicken Orzo

Ingredients

- 6 boneless skinless chicken thighs (about 1 -1/2 pounds), cut into 1-inch pieces
- 2 cups reduced-sodium chicken broth
- 2 medium tomatoes, chopped
- 1 cup sliced pitted green olives, drained
- 1 cup sliced pitted ripe olives, drained
- 1 large carrot, halved lengthwise and chopped
- 1 small red onion, finely chopped
- 1 tablespoon grated lemon zest
- 3 tablespoons lemon juice
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 1 tablespoon herbes de Provence
- 1 cup uncooked orzo pasta



Directions

1. In a 6-qt. electric pressure cooker, combine the first 11 ingredients; stir to combine. Lock lid; close pressure-release valve. Adjust to pressure-cook on high for 8 minutes. Quick-release pressure.
2. Add orzo. Lock lid; close pressure-release valve. Adjust to pressure-cook on low for 3 minutes. When finished cooking, allow pressure to naturally release for 4 minutes, then quick-release any remaining pressure. Let stand 8-10 minutes before serving.

Cliff presented the maintenance report for March. Completed were 159 work orders; 30 remain. Seven rehabs are underway.

Trimming shrubs to below window level has been completed.

Crystal presented the office report.

There have been two move-outs and one move-in.

There have been 35 statements of charges due, 50 statements of credit, 19 defaults and one parking violation resulting in a towing.

In A Tract, a stolen truck was recovered and in B Tract, a car was stolen.

Kathy presented the Board Business report.

The board approved a \$20 increase in carrying charges effective May 1.

Construction companies are being contacted for rehabbing bids.

The staff is seeding, cleaning up and repairing the grounds from snow plow damage.

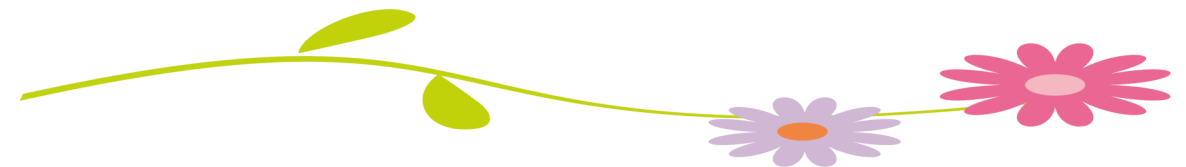
Leslie opened the floor to member comments.

Officer Kelly Stamm distributed a six-month crime report showing eight incidents in the Colonial Square area from October 13 of 2018 through April 11 of 2019.

She shared copies of Community Policing Tenant and Police Responsibilities, tips to prevent/reduce the likelihood of crimes to personal property or individuals, a suspect identification worksheet and Internet and home safety guidelines.

The open session ended at 9 p.m.

Cliff and Crystal were allowed to leave. The board convened in executive session and the meeting was adjourned at 10:30 p.m.



Office News

Colonial Square Activities Committee

There will be no Activities Committee Meeting in May.



Effective May 15, 2014, the fee for mowing lawns not maintained by members will be \$30. Back yards should be mowed and fence lines cleaned weekly.

Please note in the April newsletter Debra Capps resume was ran in error.

Gutter cleaning for both A & B Tracts will begin on April 27, 2019 with projected completion May 4, 2019. Weather permitting.

Board Business:

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Crimes reported to the office in the month of April:

Tract A: NONE

Tract B: NONE

If you hear or see any suspicious activity please call the Police or Security.

Police Emergency: 911

Celtic Hills Security Patrol: 816-686-5385

Colonial Square Office: 816-452-6664



YARDS



Members are allowed to have flower beds in both front and back yards but plants must not attach to or climb the building structure. Flower beds planted after October 1, 2014, cannot extend beyond the lowest step.

Fencing around the beds must not exceed twelve (12) inches in height. All planting areas must be designed to provide proper drainage away from the building. Vegetation that creates a security or safety hazard will not be allowed. If such vegetation is allowed to grow, the member will be required to remove it.

Attention Members:

The coop has a problem with feral cats. Do not put out leftover food in bowls or throw it on the ground for them. Human scraps are among the top food sources for feral cats. Remove trash from your yard. Clean up any leftover food, drinks or pet food. Prohibit access to dry, covered spaces such as porches, sheds and other structures. Keep seat cushions for lawn furniture inside when not in use.



All pet owners need to respect other members areas while walking their animals. Do not let your dog urinate on porches or planters close to the buildings. Make sure to carry bags to pick up after your pet. We have doggy waste bags in the office at no cost! Pick yours up today!

Kathy Pestock

Objective

I care about the needs of our members and our community. I believe that I share similar views of our membership and I will share these views with the board. I will keep in mind that most everyone in our community lives on a fixed income and this issue must be addressed whenever expenditures are required.

Cooperative Experience

Treasurer
Colonial Square Homes

2016 – Present

Secretary
Colonial Square Homes

2014 – 2016

While serving as Board Secretary, I was chosen by the board as an interim board member. This position opened my eyes to the inner working of our community. During this period as well as after being re-elected in 2016, I have seen how hard our board members work to keep us safe, aware of what is occurring around us and keep expenditures to a minimum.

I have been an active member of our Activities Committee for almost 12 years.

Education

Graduate
Oak Park High School

Background Summary

Team Lead, Technical Specialist, Analyst, Project Coordinator, Community Volunteer, Board Member, Widow, Mother and Informed Neighbor.

I feel that I can represent our community in the manner that everyone would feel is beneficial to our concerns. I share the same concerns as other members, especially when it comes to our community and the changes we would like to see.

I have been on on-site member/resident of Colonial Square Homes for 34 years.

Personal

Widower, 3 children, 5 grandchildren

Time Management and Change Management Trained

Harvesters of Kansas City volunteer

Have worked in the same industry for 40 years (23 years at the same company)

EXTERMINATION SCHEDULE FOR 2019

MAY 14, 2019	1934-1976
JUNE 11, 2019	1978-2022
JULY 9, 2019	2024-2074
AUGUST 13, 2019	2110-2146
SEPTEMBER 10, 2019	2148-2186
OCTOBER 8, 2019	2188-2228
NOVEMBER 12, 2019	2230-2274



NO EXTERMINATIONS DONE IN DECEMBER

SPECIAL DATES FOR 2019

JUNE 13, 2019 THURSDAY 7:00 PM ANNUAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON THE FOLLOWING HOLIDAYS

MEMORIAL DAY	MAY 27, 2019
INDEPENDENCE DAY	JULY 4, 2019
LABOR DAY	SEPTEMBER 2, 2019
THANKSGIVING	NOVEMBER 28 & 29, 2019
CHRISTMAS EVE	DECEMBER 24, 2019 Close at Noon
CHRISTMAS DAY	DECEMBER 25, 2019

ATTENTION MEMBERS:

The Annual Board of Directors Meeting will be held on

June 13, 2019 at 7PM.

Policy and Procedures for Candidates Running for the Board of Directors

1. Members running for the Board of Directors who wish to have their resume in the Town Crier must file it with the on-site manager by May 15, 2019. Resumes must be camera ready (printed or typed on white paper).
2. Candidates may campaign in any manner they choose, i.e., door to door, fliers, etc.
3. Campaigning is not allowed in the clubroom building the evening of the Annual Meeting. All candidates will be allowed to address the membership during the Annual Meeting prior to the election.
4. The on-site staff shall not prepare or copy campaign literature for candidates.
5. Resumes must be received by May 15, 2019 in order for the candidate's name to appear on the ballot.
6. All who vote at the annual meeting whether in person, by proxy, or by absentee ballot are eligible for the door prize drawing.

Leslie LaMarche cont.

Personal Data

I have enjoyed living in the Colonial Square Homes community for 23 years and have raised 3 of my 4 children here as well. One of my children is a Member of Colonial Square Homes. I am an in-home daycare specialist and care very much for those that I am responsible. I am a proud grandmother of 12 grandchildren.

Reason for Re-Election

I was originally asked to serve on our board due to my involvement in some of our Colonial Square Homes committee's and was later elected by the membership to retain my position on the board.

If I am re-elected, I plan to continue to do my best to see that all matters brought before the board are heard thoroughly and addressed in a prompt and fair fashion. Our board is meant to work for our community and if re-elected, I will work my best to represent the membership in our community.

My goal as a board member is to try to keep our community an affordable place to live as well as a respected community. Because I do own my own business, and see the rising costs on a daily basis, I will do my best to keep all costs associated to Colonial Square Homes in mind.



Attention Members

The Annual Board of Directors Meeting is June 13, 2019 at 7pm. Absentee Voting begins June 1, 2019 and runs through June 13, 2019 at 5pm.

Please plan to attend

Objective

Having been elected to the Board of Directors by my fellow members, I am humbled and keenly aware of the trust and responsibility you have put in my ability to serve our community. I hope that you have found my service to be honorable and worthy of continuing for yet another term. If it is the determination of the membership that I am re-elected I will do my best to continue to be approachable and take your concerns and ideas to the other board members for discussion.

Experience

January 2006 – Present

Second Vice-President, First Vice-President and currently President Colonial Square Homes

I have faithfully attended cooperative education classes.

I am a member of the activities committee.

I was a member of the security planning committee.

I have been a member of Colonial Square Homes for 23 years.

1972 – Present

Owner/Operator Leslie’s In-Home Daycare

I have successfully managed my own business for 47 years.

I have great time management skills.

I am a people person and great communicator-.

I am told that I am a great listener.

I pay great attention to detail.

Education

**Brighton High School Brighton, MA
Grauate**

ANNUAL MEETING / BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION

Colonial Square’s annual meeting is held each year on the 2nd Thursday of June. One of the primary agenda items is the election of board members to serve as the governing body of the cooperative for the next term. Interested candidates may now submit their resumes to the office for publication in the newsletter.

Here is an easy format to help you organize your information. Most of the categories are optional. You may choose to write in complete sentences or use only bullet points.

The board requests that all resumes be submitted in this format. Board and management will reserve the right to refuse publication in the Town Crier for any offensive or false content. Submissions should be limited to one page.

Name:

Cooperative experience:

Qualifications:

Family:

Work history:

Education:

“I want to serve on the board of directors because.”

Judith A. Allister 2230 NE Parvin Rd

Objective

I would like to be re-elected to the Board to help with problems as they come up and to keep cost at a minimum to our members.

Experience

Bookkeeper

I worked for 12 years at Texaco and also working on the Board using a lot of people skills with some best friends past and present.

Qualifications

I served when HUD was paid off and when everyone didn't know what was next. We had meetings for all members to decide if they wanted to change to condo's or remain affordable townhomes. I'm very glad the members wanted to keep it a cooperative townhome.

Cooperative Experience

I have served on the board the first time for ten years. I ran again three years ago and was elected.

Family

I have lived in Colonial Square for over 39 years and raised my family here with my husband Bob.

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If you are planning to be gone for a few days or longer and would like the maintenance staff to check on your unit please complete this form and turn it in to the office. We highly recommend this as a water leak can cause a lot of damage in a short amount of time.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Time frame of vacation: Leaving _____

Returning _____

Emergency Contact: Name: _____

Phone: _____

Number you can be reached at (if applicable): _____

Your cell phone number (if applicable): _____

Will you have someone checking on the unit while you are gone? If so, please provide the following:

Name: _____

Phone #: _____