**Saddle Rock Ranches HOA**

**Tuesday, May 15, 2018**

**Call to Order/Attendance:**

President Wayne King, Secretary Clint Dawes, Treasurer, Deanne Bihler and approximately 30 other residents were in attendance and the meeting was called to order. King noted the previous meeting’s minutes are available on the SRRHOA website.

**Treasurer’s Report:**

Report was read out with 65 dues contributions to date and a balance of $20,204.71. Wayne distributed copies of the revised HOA Directory for review.

**ACC Update:**

Ron Bihler indicated no significant activity from a submissions or violations standpoint. There are a couple outstanding violations that are continuing to be addressed with the homeowners.

**CenCON update:**

No specific events discussed.

**Old Business:**

* **Spring Clean-up, BBQ and work day:**

Date was set as May 19th with the 20th as a back-up if weather requires. Beth and Lynn have again agreed to purchase the food and grill, and Clint and Jill Dawes have agreed to pick up the flowers for the entrances. Beth Giles sent out a flyer in early May. Please plan on attending this fun event and help us pick up trash in the bridle trails and park, repair lighting at the entrances, plant flowers at both entrances and determine the location for a lamp in the park. But most of all, come and have a fun morning working and conversing with your neighbors and then relax with a cold beverage and hamburger or hot dog!

**Fencing:**

Beth Giles coordinated the fencing program again this year and has confirmed that Connor Lindsey would do the work for the same price as last year. Beth and Dale Carlson walked the trails and marked the ones needing repair. 21 fences must be mended and will be done this month. Thanks again to all that are instrumental in making this program possible, including Beth, Dale, Deanne and others.

**New Business:**

* **Elections**

Clint Dawes was elected as Secretary.

* **Chickens:** Wide ranging discussion of allowing chickens in the neighborhood. Ian Wilson presented on allowing chickens. The simplest change would simply drop the prohibition on chickens and revert to the city of Centennial code. Several homeowners presented pro and con arguments for chickens. Some notable comments:
1. Chicken waste needs to be treated before it can be used as fertilizer, but it can be a good fertilizer. Centennial and our ACC have restrictions on coops. Bill Bentley suggests setting the bar higher than the City of Centennial. NIH document to be posted on the web site.
2. Discussion of the covenants the desire to change them pro and con. Chicken coops would also require approval by the ACC.
3. We already have lots of rabbits, mice and geese in the neighborhood so chickens should not add any new problems.
4. People are worried about noise and coyotes. Having chickens before we have covenants changed is a violation of the existing rules.
5. Some residents expressed concern about disease. Beth White presented research showing that backyard chickens are very unlikely to cause disease. Much less likely than disease from store bought chicken & eggs.
Process and next steps
Voting requires a positive response a non-vote is considered a no. We will decide to vote or not in September meeting. A motion was passed to form a committee to develop the desired language for the covenant changes needed for chickens.

**Meeting adjourned at 9:32 pm.**

**Next meeting September 1**1**, 7pm, Grandview High School, Room L200**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Clint Dawes**

**Secretary, Saddle Rock Ranches Homeowners Association**