



City of Boiling Spring Lakes

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Community Appearance Commission Meeting September 16, 2013 7:00 p.m.

Call to Order:

The regular monthly meeting of the Community Appearance Commission was held at City Hall on September 16, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

Attendance:

Ann Hollingsworth, Chairman
Eleanor Terry
Maggie Della Badia, Admin Asst

Marie Smith
Carmen Berk ~ Absent

Minutes:

Minutes from the August 19, 2013 meeting were read by Marie Smith.
The commission accepted the minutes.

Announcements: ~ None

Discussion ~

The Commission reviewed old pictures of commercial properties and discussed how much they have improved. The Commission, in the past had made up a list of things that needed improvement and they have improved. The VFW has very much improved, landscaping and painting. Richardson Plaza now has a front porch. The Fox Squirrel Country Club, now The Lakes has made changes. There are welcome signs at the North and South entrances to the City. They compared the notes and old pictures from how they look now to how they looked then. Ann Hollingsworth explained so many improvements have been made. Marie Smith agreed.

Welcome Committee ~

The Commission checked with all of the businesses in town to see if they would like to include anything in the welcome packages. They were given some things to include. They received a free sundae coupon, pens, chip clips, a clock, key chains, letter opener, tape measure and other nice items. The commission has been getting new comer information from the building inspector when new houses are built, but they are looking for a way to find new residents that move to already built houses.

When they go to a door with a package, the first thing they do is tell them about The Boiling Spring Lakes Community Center and make sure they know where it is. They explain they have an exercise room, senior lunches and welcome them to the neighborhood.

Calendar for 2014:

Ann Hollingsworth explained the commission is doing well selling calendars. They would like to try to get them all sold by November, the calendars start with December 2013.

Welcoming Committee:

Welcome Packages for this month have been given to:

~ None

Awards:

There were no property recognitions for this month.

Events: ~ None

Business District: ~ No new comments.

City Appearance: ~ No New comments.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: ~

Patricia Byrd attended the meeting. Patricia Byrd asked if there is an incentive for people to pick up trash on the side of the road by their houses. She explained she has taken her grandson's wagon and went around her block and picked up trash. Maybe they could get a letter or something from the city. Something that would get people to take notice because it affects everyone's property. Boiling Spring Lakes is a beautiful place. It would benefit everyone. Maybe an adopt a street program or something of that nature.

Ann Hollingsworth explained what they had done before was ask everyone to keep picked up around their own property. She asked if Patricia Byrd had any ideas that would help. Patricia Byrd maybe an adopt a section program. Ann Hollingsworth explained if each person could take care of their own area it would help. Eleanor Terry explained when she goes out for a walk she picks up trash as she goes to help keep her neighborhood looking nice.

Patricia Byrd had a comment about the lake/pond on Eden and Fifty Lakes. Normally it is very clean and clear but right now it has something on it. She is not sure if it is something that is starting to develop on the pond or if it is something that is happening for another reason. The pond/lake is not named.

Information ~ Discussion

Ann Hollingsworth explained Eleanor Terry asked, and other members of the commission have been asked, about the new road off of Highway 133. Ann Hollingsworth explained her understanding is they are going to widen Highway 133. They will be making a road that will turn off Highway 133 and go into Southport.

Marie Smith asked about the City's new website. The Commission discussed the new website, it is the same web address.

Eleanor Terry was following up on the vacant house she has asked about. Ann Hollingsworth explained the Building Inspector has given the information to the Police Department.

AJOURNMENT: ~

The meeting Adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by: Maggie Della Badia