## Edenton Homeowners' Association Inc. June 2015

**Annual Meeting Summary** - The Association By-laws require holding an "annual meeting of the members" on or about June 15 of each year. This year we were fortunate to hold the meeting on the stated date, June 15, 2015 at the East Lincoln Christian Church. The Association business is conducted on a calendar year, thus the meeting provides members an opportunity to review improvements completed in the prior year, look at expenditures, and take action on a budget for the coming calendar year. In addition, three board members of the nine required to serve on the board are elected for three year terms. Thirty eight residents attended the meeting.

While the agenda item on information sharing and improving the e-mail list came much later on the agenda, one of our most senior residents asked the board to speed up the process of information sharing by e-mail. It was noted additional information could be shared and the Association annual printing and postage costs of \$1,100.00 could be considerably reduced. It was pointed out the Board has been asking residents for e-mail addresses on a monthly basis for well over a year and one third of the residents have provided addresses. Three things happened after that discussion was initiated, Ben and Karen Pickett said they had moved from another association area and final collection of the addresses came from personal door to door contacts with the members. The Pickett's volunteered to make house calls in October. Lee Vieselmeyer of Oak Prairie Nursery offered an incentive for e-mail submissions to provide a free 25 gallontree of those available at www.oakprarie.com to the winner of a drawing. The drawing will take place on October 2, 2015 to select the fortunate resident that will receive the tree. All residents that provide their e-mail address between June 16 and October 1, 2015 will be entered in the incentive contest. Lee would like to cut back on the number of "house calls" for the Pickett's! For those that have not submitted your e-mail address, please send it to Sharron Goings, sharrongo100@aol.com. The third thing, Don Bossung volunteered to meet with the board during regular monthly meetings to assist with development of a web site to improve information sharing.

In other action, the Annual Account Operating Budget for 2016 in the amount of \$21,045.00 was approved. In addition, the Annual Account Capital Budget was approved. This budget focuses on the necessary redevelopment of the area along Old Cheney Road. The annual dues will increase by \$5.00 per year to \$135.00 for those adjacent to the Commons and to \$75.00 for the remainder of the Association members. Nearly all of the "reserve" funds in the account will be utilized the remainder of this year and in 2016 and the \$5.00 per year increase will be used to restore the reserve over a several year period. Board members John Cederberg, Cynthia Didion and Deloyd Larsen were re-elected for three year terms.

Bev Morton reported on the community garage sales sponsored by the Association in both 2014-15. Both years were very successful and holding up to 30 sales in the area during the same two days prove to be most beneficial. The sale dates will continue in late April of 2016. The Edenton North Association has asked to join in the sale dates and board has welcomed their request. Everyone also appreciates Bev providing refreshments each and every year for the Annual Meeting. The meeting took place over a two-hour period and the Board is most appreciative of the input and suggestions provided and the assistance offered.

**Town house meeting summary** – The budget for 2016 was approved for \$82,280.00 and the dues will remain at \$95.00 per month. (The meeting is conducted with two agendas, the first for all members, a second meeting for townhouse owners) Town house business for the 72 townhomes included direction to the board to secure three bids for the 2015-16 snow season for snow removal. In addition residents of Thies Cove area discussed the concrete breakage problems on the private street and asked the board to assist in securing bids for fixing the problems. Upon securing the bids, a follow up meeting with all residents of Thies Cove will be held as there will be a special assessment for the repairs and the final decision for improvements will rest with those living in the area.

Beginning this month, those on the e-mail list will receive the Edenton information by e-mail only. As we move forward, we look forward to our hard copy mailing list to become smaller and smaller. For those getting this by mail - join the contest – get your e-mail address to Sharron Goings at <u>sharrongo100@aol.com</u>. We really would like to have your e-mail contact information!

<u>Member suggestion – Do not leave your garage door open all day!</u> With the robbery at 70<sup>th</sup> and Pioneers, <u>LPD says it encourages the robbers to come back at night</u>. A reminder for townhome owners – tree trimming on the blue grass area (irrigated area) adjacent to your residence is your responsibility.

A special notice – Don't miss the annual July 4<sup>th</sup> Children's Parade at 10:30 AM. The Parade will start at 5401 So. 73<sup>rd</sup>, proceed Northwest on the sidewalk to Glynoaks, turn left to the Commons area and refreshments will be waiting! Make sure to join in and honor the children of the neighborhood and congratulate them for their bicycle decorations and for dressing up their pets. It is always a lot of fun. The Edenton North Association will join the parade this year. If you have questions, call Bev Morton at 402.484.7142 or e-mail at mabealty@aol.com