
QUINCY HILL CHRONICLE

Annual meeting

Three people were elected to the board of directors. Congratulations to Cindy Sdrewski, Richard Goggins and Kristen Wright. Next month, or at the January meeting, the board will discuss among themselves who the four officers will be. Being an officer is not a distinction in most cases because each board member has one vote. No board member has more power than any other board member, although the officers bear more responsibility. ■

Notes from the meeting:

Maintenance

The sprinklers have been turned off and blown out for winter. Mowing is finished. Leaf pick-up will be done in two stages: the first when most of the leaves are down, probably November. The second for clean-up, probably in December. This all depends on how the leaves fall. Sometimes they can't wait to get to the ground; sometimes they linger.

Audit

An audit is proceeding. When it is completed please contact Don Merrill if you want a copy.

In addition, Melvin Foster is forming a 2-3 person Audit Committee. If you are interested in participating, please contact Melvin Foster at: foster_mg@msn.com or by phone: (303) 591-6188.

Clubhouse

A structural engineer was contacted to look at the work done last spring on the Clubhouse. There was a question about a bolt—well, that's what it looks like, I'm sure it has some more exact, masculine name. Anyway, in his oral report, the engineer said the Clubhouse is safe to use for the foreseeable future.

Trees

The arborist was working in Quincy Hill the week of the meeting. They don't do everything at one time because they have different crews for different work. For example, they have a crew that just does high work, another crew only removes trees. So, a crew comes to do the high tree work, then they leave. Another time, unrelated to the first, another crew comes to work on getting branches off the sides of units. Eventually all the work gets done.

Asphalt

The company did not follow the list given to them. However, they did a good job of patching where it was most needed.

Entrance

Signs have been ordered (No Parking Here to Corner) to control parking on the Carson Way entrance. Exactly how far in they will be placed is still not settled. Vehicles parked right at the corner are a danger and in danger from other vehicles entering and exiting the Carson Way. ■

Trash

Trash pick-up is on Tuesday. Please do not put trash out before 6 p.m. Monday evening, but please do have trash out by 7 a.m. Tuesday morning. Bring in trash containers by 6 p.m. Tuesday evening. ■

Masonry fence

Another hole in the masonry fence—this time between the entrances on Smoky Hill Road. It was caused by a man who had some sort of emergency medical condition. The driver following his vehicle stopped and was there immediately.. This person said it looked like the man was going to do a U-turn, when his car abruptly ran over the median, across the near side of the street, and into the fence. He was not inebriated. There is an Aurora Police Department case number so we can submit the claim to our insurance. ■

Dumping

We have experienced items being left all over Quincy Hill. From debris left on the masonry fence near our neighbors at Crown Point and Smoky Hill Road, also a mattress left near our boundary of the Racquet Club, and 2 garage doors left on the sidewalk at Carson and Smoky Hill Road. That pretty much covers the perimeter of Quincy Hill. Please, if you see someone dumping stuff and are safely able to do it, take a picture if you see something similar. ■

November meeting is a closed meeting

The board discusses the following year's budget at the November meeting. This can be intense as there is competition for funds among the many needs of an aging homeowner's association.

If you have something you think would be an attractive or necessary addition, or a subtraction, from the common area, but think it would cost too much, or is too complicated to ever be considered? Do it anyway: you can send it to the association by email: quincyhillco.com, or with a note sent in with dues, or by letter, or call the bookkeeper at 303 699-6411. Asking doesn't hurt, and may help a lot. ■

Snow removal

Products we use

There are a variety of products we use to try to keep the streets and sidewalks clear. We use snowmelt for the sidewalks. Please do not use salt or another harsh product because it will ruin concrete, kill grass, and damage the common area. We also have Ice-slicer, a chemical that breaks up ice on the streets and alleys. It is colored orange. It is a natural substance that when placed on ice breaks it down. You can hear it as it works. A few hours later they come back, scoop up the ice and the what's left of the Ice-slicer and drive away. Ice-slicer does not work if it's too cold.

Snow and trash removal

When it gets too cold, the hydraulics on some of the trash trucks (still) freezes. Also, if there is too much snow and the trucks cannot get up the alleyways (think behind 14263 East

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Recycling

Recycling days this month: November 7, 21. ■

Snow...

Radcliff Circle), it is likely they will put off trash removal for a day. When they let us know they will be a day or so late picking up trash—usually the morning of regular pickup—we notify residents through the website: www.quincyhillco.com Please keep in mind we are not their only customer. There may be times when it doesn't look so bad here—but other HOAs are not as fortunate and may make the snow removal people late.

Sidewalks

Our snow removal contract calls for snow removal on sidewalks, but not steps or patios. Two inches is the trigger that brings shovelers. If we have less than two inches of snow, shovelers probably will not be here to remove snow from sidewalks. Last year was the second “perfect storm” of bad winters. Those 1 inch, 2 inch snowfalls are the worst because in the middle between those two storms it warms up, the snow melts then freezes and makes ICE. If we have another one of those years Tendit may clear the sidewalks more often. The slow buildup makes snow removal harder and icier, not to mention COSTLIER. Under certain circumstances a snow removal crew may be here while the snow is falling. If it snows heavily during the day and doesn't sneak in through the night, a crew can sometimes be put together to remove snow as it falls and keep ahead of the storm.

Streets and alleys

Our plowing contract calls for the streets and alleys to be plowed when the accumulation reaches four inches. If snowfall begins at night, the crew will try to make at least one pass through prior to 7 a.m., then widen the plowed areas as they are able.

Because of the utilities behind our garages, danger of damaging garage doors, etc., the snowplows can't come closer than three feet to our garage doors. They will plow the asphalt, but you will need to shovel, or hire someone to shovel, the concrete pan behind your garage.

Streets and parking bays

Clean-up is best when the streets and parking bays are clear of vehicles. During storms and until clean-up is complete, please make an extra effort to park in your garage. Vehicles parked on the street or in parking bays will likely have snow packed around them as the cleanup crews try to get as much snow as possible off the streets and out of parking bays.

Sand

Our maintenance contractor does not routinely put sand in the alleyways or on the sidewalks because both sand and salt become a problem later: they get tracked into the garage and house, sand is slippery in the alley to drive on when dry, and salt ruins cars, concrete, grass, dirt, and flowerbeds. They will put snowmelt down on icy places if you call and request it. Please give them the nearest address as a reference point. You may email: quincyhillco.com or call the office.

Emergencies

If you are in a position where it is absolutely necessary to get yourself out, call the city and see what they can do for you. There are certain conditions that will trigger them to get people out. But do not wait until it snows. Call them soon. Start with Access Aurora: 303 739-7000. ■

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Next monthly meeting:
January 16 at 6:45 p.m in the Clubhouse.