

The Oaks Homeowners Association

Meeting Minutes – Spring 2026

March 18, 2026 @ 6:30

- Don Eveker called the meeting to order. Board members present: Steve Jankowiak, Don Eveker, and Kristin McFarland
- September 19, 2024, meeting minutes are read by Eric Werner. Adrian Barry motions to accept the minutes and Karen Stovall seconds the motion.
- Treasurer report - Don Eveker read the treasurer report.
 - Todd McFarland had questions on the landscaping bid from Slemmer. The current bid was read aloud.
 - Slemmer was proposing to replace the dead shrubs at the west entrance and the main entrance. After some discussion the shrubs at the west entrance will not be replaced. There is no way to water them and they have been replaced several times before.
 - There is also a spring and fall clean up/trimming on the bid with 2 different prices. Todd is going to ask for clarification on what the difference is.
 - The question was asked if we have any other bids for the landscaping. We don't currently have any other bids and it is too late in the year to get additional ones. We will attempt to solicit additional bids for next year.
 - Todd M. is going to confirm the line items in the Slemmer bid and trim unnecessary line items.
 - Slemmer's bid for landscaping was accepted for 2026.
 - The electrical panel issues at the front entrance were discussed. The current electrical panel is in poor shape and only 1 of the 3 circuits is active. When one of the bad circuits is energized it is arcing and could catch fire. The bottom of the panel is rusted out as well. A bid for \$1,850 from J&A Electric was received to completely replace the panel, install new outlets/wiring, and remove any old dead wiring. They will also arrange for Ameren to turn off and restore power to the entrance.
 - The replacement bid was approved with J&A Electric.
 - Steve J. made the motion to accept the budget Karen S. accepted and Adrian B. seconded.
- Additional items discussed:
 1. The front entrance stone work is beginning to deteriorate. It really needs to be tuck pointed.
 - a. We will see if we can get a bid from a mason to repair/tuck point the stone work.
 2. There was some concern about the state of some of the mail boxes in the neighborhood.
 - a. Someone will need to create a list of offending mail box addresses and the ACC will send specific letters to all of the mail boxes that need to be brought into compliance.
 - b. Don Eveker confirmed that a \$30 Mailbox and/or \$7 paint credit will be deducted from the upcoming 2026 HOA dues. Must submit before and after pictures, with a copy of the receipt for the purchase of the mailbox. The mailbox must meet the HOA Mailbox standards. Emails should be sent to Don Eveker: d.eveker@charter.net
 3. HOA meetings. There was concern about posting the meeting minutes, even draft copies in a timely fashion. Steve is going to work to make sure that the facebook page is updated with the draft/final minutes.

- Elections:
 - Don Eveker provided the descriptions of the President and Treasurer roles.
President vote: Don Eveker nominated Steve Jaskowiak. Steve Jaskowiak was elected unanimously.
 - Treasurer vote: Steve J. nominated Don Eveker. Don Eveker was elected unanimously.
- Open Board Seats:
 - Adrian Berry accepted the Vice-President role till Fall 2026 elections.
 - Eric Werner accepted the Secretary role till the Fall 2026 elections.
- Steve J. reminded everyone:
 - Keep all trash cans out of sight. Per the covenants they must be out of sight not left in front of home or in driveways.
 - Trimming tree branches is the responsibility of all homeowners that would obstruct normal use of the public sidewalks, per the city.
 - Any broken or cracked sidewalk should be repaired. Call the city of Edwardsville to arrange repairs. Also be sure to ask what repair or replacement opportunities are in place. Broken or uneven sidewalks are a hazard.
- Door prize: Betsy/Mattew Wilson wins the \$75 door prize! Congratulations.
- Next Meeting: 9/15/2026 @ 6:30 PM, Edwardsville Library
- Adjournment: Todd M. made a motion to adjourn. Karen S. accepted the motion.