

## **PBCA Board Meeting January 19, 2009**

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In attendance: David Fish, Jacquie Kirby-Hensel, Jim Baker, Ramon Marin, Mike Plank, Yvonne Abela, Wayne Kessler

7:00 pm meeting start:

Ken not present. No treasurer report. The folks hired to keep the sidewalks at Front Park and Pavilion Park submitted a bill of \$216 for snow removal and ice melting from the past two snow events.

Spring to do list: Mulch at Hidden Park, mulch at Pavilion Park. New volleyball net and/or winch for tightening nets. Wayne will look into new seats for the swings. Discussion of getting a picnic table for Front Park. Dave will look into prices.

Pine Tree at front entrance is not doing very well. It may have to come down.

Discussion of a request by a resident to use the soccer field at Pavilion Park for two nights for a team to practice. Since HMMS already uses the field two nights a week and Saturday for U-6 teams, the association will have to decline. The wear and tear on the grass may be too much.

Discussion of how to get people to reserve the Pavilion. People need to contact a board member and the event can be posted to the Pine Brook calendar... part of the PBCA website.

Jim Baker talked about doing a Pine Brook Night at a Harrisburg Senators game. Jim will look into dates and fees. Basically, this will consist of getting enough folks together to get group rates and group discounts, picnic area. Maybe a Friday evening.

Discussion of moving the PBCA Neighborhood Picnic from September to either July or August. Tentative date set for August 15. The board welcomes resident's comments.

Discussion of the 2009 events:

2009 calendar

Feb 28 – Dues letter goes out

April 1 – Deadline for neighborhood annual dues

April 18 – Mulch day at Hidden Park

May 1, 2 – Spring Yard sale

August 15 – Picnic ?

September 1 – Annual meeting letter

October 5 – Annual Meeting

October 16, 17 – Fall yard sale

October 24 – Pumpkin Patch at Pavilion Park

Dec. ? – Caroling – Need a volunteer to organize this

Dec 24 – Neighborhood luminaries

Next board meeting Monday, Feb. 16th 7pm at 214 Lamp Post Ln.

Meeting adjourned 7:52 pm.

## **PBCA Board Meeting February 16, 2009**

In attendance: David Fish, Jacquie Kirby-Hensel, Mike Plank, Yvonne Abela, Wayne Kessler, Lee Morrison, Ken Ulrich

7:00 pm meeting start:

Ken gave a treasurer's report. Insurance for parks and D&O will be due in March for \$1,477. So far, 83 residents have sent in dues. \$4,300. Ken has set up the rainy day fund in a CD in order to get a better interest rate.

Discussion of dues letters being sent out. A follow up letter will come out late April to remind folks who have forgotten to send their money in.

Discussion of Director's and Officer's insurance. One resident has requested that the association drop this expense. The board feels it is necessary to spend the money in order to protect the volunteers on the board and the association from liability issues.

Discussion of Spring-to-do list. New tanbark will be spread at Hidden Park on April 18<sup>th</sup>. Discussion of tree removal of damaged or dying trees on PBCA properties.

Discussion of pine tree at front entrance. The one that was planted a few years ago is dying. Should a new tree in the same location or plant a new tree on the other side of Lamp Post Ln.? Would it block the line of sight to traffic coming down Orrs Bridge or coming across the bridge?

Wayne discussed a new, improved Pine Brook website. Would allow members of the board to post STUFF to the site without having to go to Wayne first. There could be some

ecommerce use as well.....perhaps collect dues this way? It would allow more social interaction from residents. Perhaps a 'babysitter' section where parents could post requests and teens could say when they were available. Other people could start their own special interest 'groups' on this site. Small business folks in Pine Brook could start their own group. Each resident could set up groups of their own interest. Groups of friends, hobbies, clubs, etc.

Emails and reminders could be run out of this service. For example, the service would send out the dues letter each year, keep track of who has paid and send reminders to people who have not paid. The cost of this website is based on the number of 'members' using the service. This service would have a 'public' side available to anyone and a 'private' side that would only be available to Pine Brook residents. Could be used to figure out who has paid on-line and then send out mail only to those residents who need an additional letter. Could save money.

One disadvantage is that this service would be geared towards 'households' instead of residents. This means only one email address per home would be allowed. One person would have to be 'primary' account per household. This could be edited if needed. Board voted to have Wayne begin the process of setting this up.

Next board meeting Monday, March 16th 7pm at 214 Lamp Post Ln.

Meeting adjourned 8:15 pm.

## **PBCA Board Meeting March 16, 2009**

In attendance: David Fish, Jacquie Kirby-Hensel, Mike Plank, Stephanie Lepley, Wayne Kessler, Ken Ulrich, Emery Kutney, Ramon Marin, Jim Baker

7:00 pm meeting start:

Ken gave a treasurer report. So far 40% of residents have paid dues. We will do a newsletter to remind people that dues must be paid by April 1<sup>st</sup>. Porta potty was ordered for Pavilion Park \$586 – will be at the park from April 1 through October 31. New door knob bags for delivering the newsletter were ordered \$332 – enough were purchased to get free shipping and we have enough bags for 4 to 5 years worth of newsletters. Tanbark for the Hidden Park was ordered for \$435 and will be delivered Saturday, April 18. Volunteers are needed starting at 9am to spread the tanbark. Bring your shovel and gloves and wheelbarrow if you have one.

Wayne talked about the new PBCA site. He will be looking for email addresses to send out info and to sign up people. Got to let people know how much better this new site will be and how it is only for Pine Brook residents. Email addresses proved by residents will only be for registering on the new website....the listserv will be a different system. The new site could be used to generate e-mails via various parameters. Part of the site will be public, part will be closed and only available to members via a password. This site could be used for member pages and discussion boards. This would allow for a more permanent method of communication and for better response. Budget, newsletters, bylaws, all PBCA documents would be online. Different groups would be allowed to set up their own pages for their interests. Only one email address per house can be registered as the 'official' address for each home.....this is what will be used to set up the account for each house and to be used for sorting, emailing etc. Houses CAN have a secondary email account, but only one will be used for setting up and official contacts.

The site might be available by the end of the month for testing.

Stephanie discussed trees needing work at Front and Hidden parks. The ash tree at Front Park can be saved if trimmed back to remove the diseased parts. The tree might live another 30 years. She got two bids for \$350 or \$400 for trimming ash tree and \$200 or so more for trimming trees by sidewalk. The costs for trimming trees at Hidden Park is \$425. Stephanie will get a quote from a third company and pick the one that is best. Board voted to approve the expense.

Discussion of building beds around the tree at Front Park to provide a nice, level landscaped area for picnic area and plants. Stephanie will look into getting a written quote.

Discussion of when to weed & feed at Pavilion Park. Trying to get it done around upcoming soccer practice and soccer games. We will try to have the chemicals down on a Friday so it will be absorbed in the ground by Tuesday's practice. We will try to get advance word to HMMS so they can tell the coaches. Signs will be posted around Pavilion Park after the chemicals are put down.

Discussion of cleaning the lights at the Front entrance. Replace bulbs as well.

Jim Baker discussed doing a Pine Brook night at a Senator's game. The advantage would be to get a group discount. Perhaps on a Friday during a giveaway or firework night. Perhaps July 24. Perhaps paying a little extra and renting the picnic area. This idea will be presented to the neighborhood in the newsletter and on the listserv to see if there is any interest. The people attending will pay their own way.

Discussion of doing a group purchase of tickets at a discount for HersheyPark. Will put a note in the newsletter. All interested parties must let David Fish know by April 18 AND pay in advance. Tickets are good all summer and must be bought before April 20. The discounted price is \$28.50 for adults (normal price \$51) and youth (3-8 years old) or senior tickets (55-69 years old) are \$24 each (normally \$31) Senior plus (70 years old +) discount tickets are \$19.95. You can buy as many as you want.....but they have to be ordered and paid for by April 18. Call David Fish at 737-6635 if you are interested. We must have at least 20 tickets prepaid in order to qualify.

Discussion of starting a Pine Brook support group for people being pressured by the economic downturn. Perhaps setting up a network for Pine Brook folks to help with job tips, babysitting needs, shoulder to cry on. Will post it in the newsletter.

Remind people about walking dogs and cleaning up. Reminder for residents to watch out for kids now that Spring is here.

Put something in newsletter about letting folks to contact Stephanie Lepley when they see someone new move in so she can get a welcome basket to them.

Next board meeting Monday, April 20th 7pm at 214 Lamp Post Ln.

Meeting adjourned 8:15 pm.

## **PBCA Board Meeting April 20, 2009**

In attendance: David Fish, Jacquie Kirby-Hensel, Stephanie & Chaz Lepley, Wayne Kessler, Ken Ulrich, Jan & Emery Kutney, Ramon Marin, Cindy Heidlebaugh, Yvonne Miller, Lee Morrison, Bob Fritz, Nick Cimino

7:00 pm meeting start:

Ken discussed the dues. We are close to the dues total from last year. 242 homes have paid their fair share of the yearly dues or 58% of the 415 homes that make up Pine Brook. The association will send out a reminder to those folks who have not paid yet. Ken reported that there were more expenses from the tree services for the Hidden and Front Park that had come in.

Wayne discussed the new web site. He said he will release it to the neighborhood for residents to join. It will be [www.pinebrookcivicassociation.com](http://www.pinebrookcivicassociation.com). Wayne would like everyone to sign up on the site and give some suggestions. A spreadsheet of neighborhood expenses and income will be included.

Stephanie Lepley discussed the improvements to the Front Park. Right now there is a bench at the park, but a picnic table will be coming. In addition to the Ash tree being trimmed, a raised bed with plants was installed, some more plants are to come. Discussion of a new picnic table for Front Park....composite vs. concrete table. Dave and Stephanie will look into costs.

Dave will look into getting some signs printed up for the yard sale and other events.

Jim emailed Jacquie about a contractor who is looking for new business in Pine Brook and is willing to pay for a hot dog stand for the neighborhood yard sale that the association will staff and keep the money from sales. The board decided that there is not enough time for the May yard sale, but perhaps the Summer Picnic or the contractor could advertise in the newsletter....or get the hot dog stand for the fall yard sale.

Stephanie gets a big thank you for taking care of the Hidden Park tank bark day. The truck delivering the tank bark tore up the grass pretty bad. Stephanie discussed getting a company to fix the ruts and reseed. Perhaps the same company can roll Hidden Park and Pavilion Park as well. Discussion of moving the time next year to Saturday afternoon and getting some beverages and food as incentive. Discussion of children running around the parks while mowing or tree trimming is going on. Parents need to remind their children about the dangers involved and parents need to control the kids.

Next board meeting Monday, May 18th, 7pm at 214 Lamp Post Ln.

Meeting adjourned 7:35 pm.

## **PBCA Board Meeting May 18, 2009**

In attendance: David Fish, Jacquie Kirby-Hensel, Stephanie Lepley, Ken Ulrich, Jan & Emery Kutney, Ramon Marin, Cindy Heidlebaugh, Yvonne Miller, Lee Morrison, Jim Baker.

7:00 pm meeting start:

Ken gave a treasurers report. Up to 249 homes have paid, 60% of neighborhood. This is less than last year. A letter will go out to the residents who have not paid their dues yet this year reminding them to please pay and explaining how important it is that every resident pay their fair share of the expenses.

Lots of expenses this year for maintenance and upgrades to landscaping to the parks. Tanbark, tree maintenance, landscaping, plants, rolling, fire pit at Pavilion Park, labor charges for work done at parks. Totaling \$6,500.

Discussion of posting the finished bills as links to itemized expenses in the on-line spreadsheet. Wayne will post current spreadsheet of expenses and income.

Jim discussed the group sales for Senators ball game Pine Brook night. The last newsletter contained information about the game and requested interested people to call Jim.....nobody did. Jim will post an email reminder on the listserv. As of now, the Pine Brook night at a Senators game is a no go due to lack of interest.

Discussion of landscaping done at Pavilion Park. Many thanks to Stephanie Lepley for landscaping work at park. A new firepit, mulch, tanbark.

Discussion of planting along the fence to block sound by the Pavilion area. Stephanie proposes trees and other plants along the entire length of the fence to Harness. At least 6 cypress trees and azaleas between them to block in the Pavilion area. Perhaps hosta and ferns along the fence. Perhaps dogwood and plum trees. Along the fence by the Pavilion would be, eventually, full plantings which will cut down on the traffic noise from Orrs Bridge Road. Along the fence down towards Harness Ln., perhaps three smaller trees. Stephanie will get a quote on planting smaller trees. Motion for tilling, planting on trees and filler plants.....approved.

Discussion of picnic table at Front Park. Will get an octagonal, recycled plastic. Board voted to get one from an online source. The table has been ordered and is being shipped. The cost was \$625 plus \$163 shipping for a total of \$788.

Discussion of having the board vote on issues via emails. The advantage would be to have a faster response time in matters requiring immediate action. How could the board get the word out to each member and what time limits for discussion and voting?



Discussion of whether this idea is allowable under the bylaws. Will discuss matter at next meeting.

Discussion of blocking in the porta potty to hide it from view a bit. Perhaps a lattice or more plants.

Next meeting June 15, 2009. 7pm Pavilion Park.

Meeting adjourned 7:45 pm.

## **PBCA Board Meeting June 15, 2009**

In attendance: David Fish, Jacquie Kirby-Hensel, Ken Ulrich, Yvonne Abela, Cindy Heidelbaugh

7:00 pm meeting start:

Ken gave a treasurer's report. We have 268 homes paying dues, 64%. Ken said \$671 has been donated by residents for the park's beautification. Other residents donated some trees and plants. Thanks goes to Stephanie Lepley and the other residents who have done all the work making the improvements to the park.

Ken mentioned that some people who do not live in the neighborhood would like to rent out the Pavilion. Discussion of whether this is possible? Would insurance cover it? Should we charge other people? What about a deposit to cover the cost of potential damage? Perhaps have a Pine Brook resident "sponsor" the other family on a case-by-case basis. Perhaps have a donation to the association.

If a resident wishes to use any of the parks for a function, email Wayne Kessler to reserve the park. There is a place on the Pine Brook website where you can check to see if the parks are booked. First come, first served. You must clean up. It's also a good idea to post a note at the pavilion saying when you will be using the pavilion.

Discussion of trees at Pavilion Park trees. The township has said that the trees replanted by the water fountain at Pavilion Park are no longer allowed due to the trees being in the right-of-way. The trees are between the street and the sidewalk. The two new trees will have to come out. One is dying anyway.

Discussion of picnic table for Front Park. It has been ordered and is being made. It will be delivered sometime in the first or second week of July.

Discussion of doing some voting on neighborhood projects via email of board members. Would only be used for matters that need to be finalized before a scheduled meeting.

Discussion summer picnic. A tentative date of August 15 was set. Discussion of moving the picnic to September as it has the past two years.

Next meeting July 20, 2009. 7pm 214 Lamp Post Ln.

Meeting adjourned 7:39 pm.

## **PBCA Board meeting July 20, 2009-07-20**

Jim Baker, Jacquie Kirby-Hensel, Lee Morrison, Ken Ulrich, Yvonne Abela, Emery Kutney, David Fish, Nick Cimino

Meeting started 7:05pm

Ken gave treasurer report. New high level of membership. Because of the massive new work done at the park and other normal expenses, the association is halfway through the year, but we have spent 90% of our 2009 budget figures estimated in 2008. Normal expenses would have maintained the budget, but the extra costs were due to necessary improvements. Part of the extra expense is due to projects costing more than originally planned. The association has been saving money each year for these projects, so the extra expenses were expected and have been covered by funds the association had in the bank. The association is in good shape with a sound 'rainy day fund' and we have some money on the budget that is in CDs at the bank, earning extra interest and kept for a big emergency. The improvements to parks were basically a one time expense and they look great.

Discussion of Saturday, September 12, 2009 as the date for the neighborhood picnic. September 5 is Labor Day weekend and September 19 is the first day of Rosh Hashanah.

Discussion of buying the moonwalk for the association. Discussion of whether it would be worthwhile for the PBCA to buy a 9 year old moonwalk. Could it be stored in the shed or would that shorten the life? Could it be rented out to residents? It would be used at all PBCA events including the Tuesday family nights at Pavilion Park. The moonwalk would pay for itself in three weeks of use for the Tuesday night events. What would liability be? Would it be worth buying or keep renting. Could we rent the moonwalk for the picnic to check out the condition and have that applied to the price if we agree to buy it? Jacquie will look into insurance.

Ken asked that due to other demands on his time, he would like to have someone else take over as treasurer. Jim Baker has a background in accounting and works at a bank. He is not sure if he has time, but will look into it. If any other resident is interested, please let any board member know.

Discussion of the work Verizon has been doing in the neighborhood and the lack of quality of the work being done. Roads have been blocked, phone lines have been cut, work has been sloppy, grass has not been replaced very well, and contacting anybody at Verizon to comment on the work has been very difficult.

Discussion of newsletter in August. To discuss the upcoming picnic and annual meeting in October as well as other issues of interest to the neighborhood.

Discussion of people using pavilion for parties and trash removal. It should be part of the agreement that people using the pavilion must remove their trash. The problem is what to do for the other parks and we need a system to take care of the trash bags. Where would they be dropped off, who would take care of it, and how often. The board will look into the needs of each park and perhaps offer a small fee for a teenager or resident to take care of the trash as needed.

Meeting adjourned 7:44pm

Next meeting August 17, 7 pm, 214 Lamp Post Ln.

**August 17, 2009**

In attendance: Jacquie Kirby-Hensel, Lee Morrison, David Fish, Stephanie Lepley, Jim Baker, Ramon Marion

Meeting started at 7:02pm.

Jesslyn Baker will help with picnic. Others interested in helping, please call Dave Fish at 737-6635.

Ken Ulrich not present. No treasurer report.

Picnic discussion. Moonwalk will be rented. Need someone to help with registration. Need help with grills. Help with kids games. Talk to Mike about music. Need help water balloons. Food. Games. Ramon Marion will help. Send out notice about families bringing a game for the picnic. Cindy Heidlebaugh. Musical act for the picnic?

Kids can help and have it count as community service. Please call 737-6635 to volunteer. Discussion of October meeting. Ken would like to stop being treasurer. Is there anybody interested in taking over the job? Ramon Marion may be willing to do it....but being in the military, he can't guarantee he will be here for a year or two.

The annual meeting will take place on Monday, October 5, 2009. The dues letter will go out to all residents and will include a proxy form.

Discussion of whether Pinebrook should start giving out an annual scholarship of \$250 to a student. How the candidates would be nominated and selected is TBA. Perhaps discuss with CV school system to find out what qualifications are used to select kids.

Anybody with old Cub Scout, Boy Scout or Girl Scout uniforms please donate them to the local packs. Please call Dave Fish at 737-6635.

Meeting adjourned 7:39

Next meeting September 21, 2009. 214 Lamp Post Ln.

## **PBCA Board Meeting - September 21, 2009**

In attendance: Jacquie Kirby-Hensel, Lee Morrison, David Fish, Ramon Marion, Ken Ulrich, Mike Plank

Meeting started at 7:05 pm.

Ken gave treasurer report. Expenses normal. Picnic costs biggest expense this month, ticket sales and 50/50 helped defray costs.

Discussion of general meeting. Ken Ulrich will be stepping down as treasurer and Ramon Marin will replace him. Ken will take Ramon's place on the board until a new person can be found – need a volunteer. The dues amount for 2010 will be \$50. The amount was voted in by board. Ken will have the 2010 budget ready for the meeting.

Discussion of the picnic. Still need more people taking care of kid's games. Perhaps something for the teenagers that showed up. More games for adults/families.

Vandalism at water fountain at Pavilion park. Someone within the past two weeks broke open the drain screen and filled the water fountain drain with dirt, mulch and stones. Do not know when the drain was plugged up. Please do not vandalize. Talk to soccer folks....maybe it happened while a team was practicing or playing and the parents were watching the game, perhaps other siblings did the vandalism. Will send a message to HMMS reminding parents and coaches to please keep an eye on all the children at the park.

Township does not allow new trees to be re-planted between sidewalk and street. The association had planted new trees to replace ones that had been taken down at Pavilion Park, but the township demanded we remove them. Stephanie took out the trees.....but someone else has replanted new trees. The association thanks the person who took an extra step and did something nice, however, we need to find out who did this and have them remove trees if they wish to have the trees back. Otherwise, the association will have to remove the trees before the township fines us.

PBCA Pumpkin Patch Party at Pavilion Park. Pumpkin carving, games, s'mores, fun and fun. FREE. Sunday, Oct. 25, 2009 from 3:30 pm to 6:30 pm. Bring a dessert to share and your own pumpkin to carve.

Luminaries on December 24<sup>th</sup>. Discussion of the association providing sand and bags to hand out for free and people provided their own candles. How to hand out sand? Keep at one location and how folks show up? Give a stack of bags and sand to block captains?

Jim Baker suggested scholarship program to give \$250 to a Pine Brook child. Lee Morrison wondered if a scholarship would fit with the function of the association. The association used to do this, but it fell by the wayside over the years. How would it be

decided? It would take 5 houses dues to do this. Perhaps a group of residents could fund this by themselves and the association would award it.

Lee asked about Christmas caroling. Can we can get someone to organize it? Can we have it at the Pavilion? Need someone to lead the singing. The association will provide snacks, hot cocoa and a camp fire. Perhaps on Sunday, December 20<sup>th</sup>. Perhaps some teens could organize this? Could a guitar or piano player volunteer to help keep folks in tune?

Jacquie discussed seeing cats in neighborhood. Perhaps wild cats. Is anybody seeing them?

Meeting adjourned 7:39

Next meeting is the PBCA Annual Meeting on October 5, 2009, 7pm, Pavilion Park.

## **Annual Meeting, October 5, 2009**

In attendance: Jacquie Kirby-Hensel, Emery Kutney, Yvonne Abela, Mike Snoke, Ken Ulrich, David Fish, Jack & Nancy Struck, Louis Waddell, Stephanie Lepley

In attendance via proxy: Alaimo, Beissel, Brenneman, Briggs, Briggs, Cavarich, Davenport, Davis, Dillahey, Fenwick, Futchko, Harmon, Hensel, Kaldes, Kessler, Koerner, Lis, Lose, Mayeski, Moomaw, Mullin, Notarian, Quinlan, Ross, Schuckers, Seaman, Simpson, Smith, Strohl, Taylor, Ulp, Voda, Weinberg.

Meeting started at 7:04 pm.

Jacquie introduced people attending to each other.

Ken presented the 2010 budget which assumes an income of around \$14,000 which has been the normal amount brought in with 68% of residents paying dues. Dues will remain at \$50. Projected expenses for next year to remain about the same as most years. There is \$3,000 allocated for improvements if needed. Over the past three years, money had been built up for the massive improvements at Pavilion Park that took place this year. As a result, the association spent more money that was taken in, but that was anticipated due to the much needed improvements that had been planned for.

The regular, normal costs of water, electricity, insurance, mowing, etc. will remain the same. Some levels for maintenance of the parks will be slightly higher each year as a result of the improvements to the landscaping which requires higher costs.

Proposed budget was approved in by unanimous vote.

Jacquie mentioned that Ken is stepping down as treasurer and will be missed. Ken kept his eye on costs and maintained the books with the training he has as a professional accountant.

David Fish and Ramon Marin were nominated as Secretary and Treasurer. Motion was seconded and approved by unanimous vote.

The people nominated for the board were Yvonne Abela, Jim Baker, Nick Cimino, Cindy Heidelbaugh, Stephanie Lepley, Lee Morrison, Michael Plank and Louis Waddell. Jack motioned that these folks be approved, Stephanie seconded and the board was voted in unanimously.

Jack wanted to thank the people who had done the improvements on the front entrance and remarked how nice they looked.

Next meeting November 16, 2009 at 214 Lamp Post Ln.

Meeting adjourned 7:18pm.



## **Board Meeting, November 16, 2009**

In attendance: Jacquie Kirby-Hensel, Ramon Marin, Yvonne Abela, David Fish, Louis Waddell, Mike Plank, Lee Morrison, Matt Forti

Meeting started at 7:04 pm.

MattForti discussed the recent flurry of emails about the power outages in the neighborhood. Had compiled a list of emails and wanted to see what the neighborhood can do about getting PP&L to address the issues. Wants people to keep emailing and calling the company to keep the issue on the front burner. Matt has created a list of all the people in the neighborhood having problems in an effort to see which areas have had problems. It seems to be the entire neighborhood.

Mike Plank wondered if there was much the PBCA can do as an organization to address the problem..... especially since the board won't meet again until January.

Lee Morrison suggested continuing what the neighbors are currently doing - calling PP&L first. If that doesn't work, then the neighborhood can file a complaint with the PUC. The board can help coordinate activities. Matt has been contacting PP&L to see what is causing the problem and what can be done to fix it. Lee said contacting the PUC would involve filing a formal complaint which may go to a mediator. Lee is working on getting some contacts within PP&L.

Jacquie suggested getting a committee to look into how many people have been affected and charting the frequency of the outages. If the company doesn't respond, then the board can look into contacting the PUC. Lee Morrison and Matt Forti will make up the committee to address the problem. If residents can try to keep track of what day the power went out and, if possible, the time and duration of the incident. If Lee and Matt can keep providing PP&L with good information, then this should help fix the problem.

Ken dropped off treasurer report. Ramon and Ken are working on the transition. Expenses are still in line with projections.

Jacquie asked via the listserve for volunteers to help organize Christmas caroling in the neighborhood. Nobody responded. She will try to find an organizer. If nobody comes forward, the caroling will not take place. Jacquie and Lee will work on trimming the tree and decorating the front entrance. Perhaps the Sunday following Thanksgiving.....Noon. Volunteers are welcome.

Luminaries are still planned for December 24. 5pm to 7pm. Bags and sand will be provided by the association. On December 19, Noon to 2pm, the association will provide bags and sand for free at the Pavilion.

Louis mentioned a neighbor had asked him to mention a problem about curbs on Fireside being too low. When people drain their pools, because the curbs are so low, the water runs into other people's yards. In addition, because the curbs are so low, people can't

paint their numbers on the curbs. Residents with these problems should contact the township to find out what the regulations are and what needs to be done to fix it.

Wayne sent in a message about using more functions of the new website. More PBCA communications can go out over mass e-mailings. This makes things much easier for residents and can cut costs. For example, the dues notice can go out in January. Those responding will not need a letter mailed to their house. The association will make a greater effort in collecting e-mail addresses to better use this resource.

Thanks to Betty Fish and Megan Shiner for organizing the Pumpkin Patch event before Halloween. Some new families showed up for the festivities.

Mike wanted to thank Betty Fish for organizing a Halloween night party at the Pavilion for adults and kids. This was small “test” party this year, but perhaps it could be made into an annual event for the neighborhood. The party would be on Halloween night ..... or maybe the nearest weekend night.....lots of fun for the adults while the kids played in the park.

Next meeting January 18, 2010, 7:00 pm at 214 Lamp Post Ln.

Meeting adjourned 8:08pm.