Deloaks News

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Dear Deloaks Neighbors,

Happy New Year to all and best wishes for 2016.

Firstly, we are seeking nominations/volunteers for 2 Board positions replacing Margaret Zelenka and Chad Ermel. This is a great opportunity for you to get involved with our community, especially if you have never served on the Board previously. The term is for 2 years and the time commitment is generally 4-6 Board meetings per year plus occasional e-mail correspondences as specific issues/requests arise. Please send all nominations to our Deloaks e-mail address Info@Deloaks.org or deloakshomeownersassoc@gmail.com by February 1, 2016. Following the nominations, a voting ballot will be issued, if necessary.

Secondly, we are in the process of updating our Deloaks directory. Attached is a form for you to provide your information if you would like to be included in the directory. We <u>will not</u> publish the directory on our website and will only send it out to Deloaks residents by e-mail or mail. Completed forms should be sent to our Deloaks e-mail address.

We would like to thank everyone for the marked improvement in unleashed dogs wandering around the neighborhood. If you see any unleashed pets roaming the neighborhood, <u>please notify the pet owner first</u> (if known). Otherwise, contact St. Tammany Parish Animal Services at (985) 809-0183 or <u>http://www.stpgov.org/departments/animals</u>. The goal is to keep both the residents and pets in our neighborhood safe.

We closed the 2015 Budget in great shape with Income at 105% of Budget (\$48,394) and Expenses at 95% of Budget (\$37,810). The Board established our 2016 budget which is essentially the same as 2015. We anticipate no major capital expenditures for 2016. Our cash balance is much improved as a result of the Board's effort to address the delinquent HOA dues and now stands at \$17,500 in cash and \$5,100 in CDs.

Concerning the delinquent Homeowners dues, there has been significant progress in addressing this situation with most Homeowner's resolving their unpaid balances or agreeing to a repayment plan with the Board. Unfortunately, one Homeowner did not respond to several notices served and the Board has approved placing a lien on the property. One common response received was that people were not receiving their Quarterly dues statements. Please ensure your current e-mail address is correct for receiving the HOA Quarterly dues statements. You should send an e-mail to our Deloaks e-mail address to update your information if you are not receiving the notices.

Boats parked in driveways continue to be an issue and we have received numerous complaints concerning them. Please be reminded that all boats, trailers, ATVs, etc. must be parked behind the front line of your home and out of sight. Letters were sent to several Homeowners regarding this and we

appreciate the positive responses to comply with the HOA restrictions. Unfortunately, not all complied and other boats have appeared in driveways. We kindly ask all Deloaks residents to comply with this requirement in order to keep our neighborhood looking nice.

And finally, we would like to welcome our new residents to Deloaks. They are:

- Stephen and Shanee Holmes 20 Audubon Lane
- Jeff and Melita St. Romain 98 Bayou Perez Drive

We look forward to the coming year and working cooperatively to address the common issues to maintain Deloaks as a lovely subdivision and desirable place to live. As such, the Board welcomes your feedback and any ideas or suggestions you may have. Again, please address these to the Board by email.

And as a final reminder, please consider volunteering to be a Board member. We need you! Thanks.

DELOAKS BOARD

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