



Arranmore Homeowners Association  
Board Meeting October 17, 2018

**Location:** Arranmore Pool House

**Attending Board Members:** Norris Perkins, Doug Stiles, Joe Taylor, and Gisela Walitzki  
(quorum present)

**Absent:** Devin Barr, Andrea Zalaznick Burdick, and Michael Great  
**Homeowners present:** Bobbie Kennedy

Norris Perkins called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Joe moved to approve the Sept 2018 minutes, Doug second, all in favor.

**Website:**

The Technology Group members Norris, Matt L., Joe S. and Gisela had met to look into updating our homeowners website. The goal was to provide some of the displayed information just to homeowners. Matt and Joe recommended upgrading our system with a plugin. It would allow us to password protect meeting minutes and financial information. Homeowners will receive this password to view these protected areas. Change of the website is planned for next year.

Joe made the motion to upgrade the current system with this plugin, Norris second, all in favor.

**Landscape**

Bobbie mentioned that the LC had talked about the possibility to divide the maintenance contract for grass maintenance, leaf removal, irrigation maintenance and pruning/trimming. This could attract smaller companies to bid for work separately. However, it would make requests for bids a much bigger workload, the LC volunteers will look into this at the next meeting.

**Financial**

Joe received the needed information from the LC for the 2019 budget. Funds for improving several common circles are already included. He will need a budget number from Michael for pool furniture.

The reserve study is coming up. Joe would like to include funds to replace the common irrigation system during the next several years. He would like a committee to look into this issue and plan this project.

**Landscape**

Doug as new landscape chair met with Jeremy from LandCare and Bobbie and Pat from the LC for a 2.5 hours neighborhood walk to look at all major problem areas. A couple of trees need to get cut down for safety reasons or because they are heavily diseased. The LC will get bids for two trees to vote on in November. One is already estimated for \$800, and we need a bid for the

second tree.

The LC will also report back on solutions for saving the pathways from root damage. Root cutting could be a solution, installing 24-inch root barriers is very expensive. The LC will get an estimate and report back.

### **Irrigation**

Norris reported we have a bid from HPS Construction, Inc. for necessary work on our well. It is a sequential bid for pulling and reinstalling the pump, camera work, sonic cleaning and air lifting the well.

Norris made the motion to accept this bid with the addition the company needs to show that they are bonded and insured, Joe second, all in favor

### **SAG (Social Activities Group):**

Reported from Andreas notes: The book club met on 10/8, a small but lively group, and will meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday every month going forward.

The group held a Children's Ice Cream Social and it was well attended by about 25 kids.

Patti Pierson (Arranmore resident) gave a presentation "Let's get organized" and it was well received by 12 participants.

SAG talked about having a Halloween event at the pool house, but decided that it needs more planning time and postponed it to next year.

### **New business:**

Norris will form a committee to recruit candidates for next year's board election.

He also expressed concerns that it is often really hard to convince homeowners to invest their time to serve on the board. Also some committees are stretched to their limits time wise, especially the LC. If we don't find enough volunteers to divide the necessary tasks to take care of on those committees we may need to look into hiring a management company in the future. Homeowners should be aware of this and decide if they prefer to volunteer their time to avoid higher annual fees.

Norris asked if there is any other business. Joe made the motion to adjourn, Doug second, all in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Gisela Walitzki