

Lakemoor Hills Homeowner's Association  
General Membership Meeting – held Virtually due to Covid 19 and in person at Lake Hills Church.  
November 16, 2021

President, Mike Parker called the meeting to order Virtually at 7:02 pm  
Approximately 12 residents on the virtual call. (Some households had two people on the call.) There were 25 residents in attendance at the Lake Hills church.

### **Secretary Report**

Suzan Bowman posted the minutes of the September, 2021 meeting on the LHHA website. She indicated that she sent the minutes to the board members for approval and changes. She asked for any corrections or changes from the floor. Motion to accept the Secretary report was made by Bob Proctor, Seconded by Dawn Thomas. The minutes were approved and will be posted on the LHHA website.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Mike Parker made the treasurer report. He stated that on October 30, 2021, we had \$23,814.98 in the bank at that time.

### **Membership**

Mike reported that there are 241 households in the LHH Association at this time.

### **Welcome**

Lauri Martin, the Chair for the Welcoming Committee. She asked if anyone in the church or online is new in the past year. Jordan Rockwell indicated that he has moved into the neighborhood in the last year. Laurie asked for anyone to notify her of any new residents so she can take them a welcome bag. Her contact information is on the LHHA website.

### **Alcoa Highway Beautification Council Report**

Gene Burr said that the official notification that went out from DOT was that the work at the roundabouts would be finished by end of February. He said that it should be done earlier than that.

Gene also mentioned that the Beautification Council has been involved in the development of the Alcoa Highway corridor since September 30, 2019 when they participated in a design charette and informational meeting. The committee is having a meeting on December 2.

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## **Social**

### Dogwood Arts Festival

Randy Kerns reported that the neighborhood is the Featured Dogwood Trail for next spring. Randy said that the ceremony to kick off the Dogwood trail will happen on Friday April 1, 2022. The ribbon cutting for the trail will happen at Timberlake Drive and there will be dignitaries making speeches at the trailhead or at the church. He said more details to come.

### Picnic

The LHHA Neighborhood spring picnic (Spring Fling) will be combined with Dogwood Arts Festival kickoff on April 2, 2022. Every spring we have a picnic at the church with a plant swap and a car show. If you have an interesting car or motorcycle, contact Randy or Mike Parker. Randy said he hopes to have a parade and lots of activities for kids. We want many residents to get involved this year in the spring activities. More details to come.

## **Neighborhood Beautification**

### Tulips

Randy Kerns noted that the Garden Club has bought and planted 1500 Tulips in the 3 roundabouts. Ann Graf and Sharon Gerkin of the Garden Club also sold 700 tulips to residents of the Dogwood trail to spruce up their mailbox area or street facing planting areas for the Dogwood trail.

### Christmas/Holiday Celebrations

We put red bows on all of the stop signs in the neighborhood.

The Christmas tree decoration and lighting will take place on Saturday December 4 at 4:30 pm. Bring your kids and we will decorate the tree. It is next to the Church on the Maloney Road side. We will already have the lights on and larger bulbs placed so the kids can put the smaller blubs on the lower branches. At 5:30 we will have the Grand Illumination. We will have hay bales, fire pit, and those will stay there the entire season, so take your family out there to admire the tree.

### Spirit Awards

We will have 4 Holiday Spirit Awards this year. The secret judges will be judging the decorations the week of December 13. There will be 4 awards and honorable mentions. Residents who are LHHA members also get an opportunity to vote for their favorite decorations at the LHHA website. The website voting will be December 11-17.

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Mike Parker thanked Ann Graf for leading the neighborhood Dogwood Festival activities this year.

### Communications

No report tonight.  
Dawn has agreed to help with communications around the Dogwood festivities.

### Greenway

Jordan Rockwell reported that the Greenway committee met 6 weeks ago. They had several routes identified and decided on 3 routes for the greenway through the neighborhood to complete the missing link. Gene Burr wanted the group to do a feasible study for the 3 routes.

Three or four weeks ago, Jordan, Gene Burr and Mike Parker met with Knox County Parks and Recreation new director, Joe Mack, Carol Evans of Legacy Parks, and our County Commission Carson Daily. The new Director was very receptive to hear our thoughts on the missing link. The county has a contract with a civil engineering firm to do feasibility studies, so they may do the studies themselves. Jordan said that we would continue to push them “gently” to keep moving on this project. The next question is state or Federal funding for the route. Jordan said a rough estimate is \$.5 Million to \$1 Million and covers the CVS shopping center to the existing greenway at Maloney Road. We are waiting on the county to decide on next steps.

A question from the Zoom call:

*Can you give us an idea of the 3 routes being considered? The last time I participated in a zoom meeting with TDOT, they said that this was not moving forward because of a variety of roadblocks. The meeting was held within the last couple of months.*

*Jordan responded that TDOT was not involved in this project. Mike Parker said that the routes that are being considered are being held closely and not discussed. He said the issues are sensitive and that is why we are working very closely with the County to minimize negative impacts on our neighborhood. He also said that we do not want to get out ahead of the county at this time. Mike asked for patience until the new county director can get up to speed on this issue. Once we get more information on the feasibility studies, we will be more proactive in sharing the information on the possible sites to everyone in the neighborhood. Mike said that we want input from the neighborhood on the various routes.*

*The caller asked: Why is there not transparency at this point?*

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*Mike answered that the new County Director is not in the position to know enough to share. He is starting to work through the roadblocks that were alluded to by the caller. Mike said we have to give him time to do that. Jordan offered for the caller to join the Greenway committee.*

*Mike also said that the County is going to do something to fill the missing link. They will either do it with our input or without our input. What we want to do is give them our input.*

*The caller said that she had heard that they might just leave the missing link- missing. Mike said he did not think that would happen. We need to be in a position to influence the decision. Mike thanked the caller for her question.*

*Jordan said that the county wanted to have the greenway in the neighborhood to be consistent with their vision of having the greenway in a "green area" rather than next to the highway. Mike said we will share the information as soon as is possible in order to get input from the neighborhood.*

#### Signage Committee

Malcolm Rogers is the Chair of the Signage Committee. This committee is working on three things:

1. the Entry Signs to the neighborhood,
2. the temporary signage to promote various activities in the neighborhood such as the Dogwood Festival, and
3. the signage that will promote the commercial/business signage needs on each side of Alcoa Highway.

Mike said the committee is working on siting the signs for the entry to the neighborhood now. At the January meeting, this committee will share what they are working on. The committee will develop some concepts for signage and ask for input from residents.

Mike Parker called for any additional new business and having received none, he asked for a motion and second to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:31 pm.

The next meeting is January 18, 2022.

Submitted by Suzan Bowman  
LHHA Secretary