



March 2017 Monthly Minutes

Date: 01-Mar-17.
Next Meeting: 05-April-17 @ 8pm sharp; Ard Ri Hotel, Milltown Rd. Tuam, Galway.
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Attendees:

91: William Martin
139: Silvia Porter
140: Ashling Hynes
144: Ronan O'Ceallaigh

190: Mary Keaney
245: JJ Burke
275: Mary Fahy

Apologies:

12: Deirdre McCarthy
40: Bridget Flaherty
150: Karen Kennedy
242: Bernie Kelly

Financial Summary May 2016 to March 2017:

Date	Account	Description	Balance
1-Mar-17	A	Present Balance	€ (492.89)
1-Mar-17	A	Total Expenses	€ 13,952.89
1-Mar-17	A	May'16 to Present	€ 13,460.00

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1-Mar-17	B	Second A/C	€ 391.76
1-Mar-17	C	Petty Cash	€ 46.13

- Outgoings February: A.G.M. Room (€75); Fonenet Printing October (€28); Total: €103.

Contribution Collection:

- On Monday (06-March-17), Ronan O'Ceallaigh and JJ Burke to call to each estate agent in Tuam, and generate a list of those houses who are owned by landlords.
- Will then appeal to those landlords (who haven't contributed) via the estate agents, to support the contribution of €60 towards the upkeep of the estate, in an effort to increase our incomings.
- If you haven't paid your contribution for this year, please hand it into your local contribution collector. All monies are welcome, if we are to continue maintaining our estate in the pristine condition that it is to-day. **Thank You in advance.**

Litter Collection Morning:

- Next litter cleanup day is set for Saturday morning, 25-March-17 at 11am. Reminders will be sent on Facebook, and e-mail in parallel.

Trees:

- Tree outside of House 277 blew down during Storm Doris. Been removed by Murphy's Garden Centre already. Murphy's Garden Centre have quoted €100 (Tree: €59, Support stakes & Ties: €10, Labour: €40, with reduction, to replace with similar tree of height and stature. An extra cango rental cost (€30), may be incurred if the ground is full of rocks underneath, to improve the anchorage of the tree. Approved by maximum vote 7/7 to replace the tree. Works to commence in coming two weeks.
- In Area 7: 3 Alder trees will be topped in the coming weeks, at corner of green area, as they are too tall, for storms, by Dermot Casey Tree Surgeons in coming weeks.
- In Area 8: 2 stumps will be grinded and removed, in the coming weeks, by Dermot Casey Tree Surgeons.
- Electric Skyline letter written to request responsibility for trimming back branches on trees that are obscuring light on pedestrian pathways, and vehicular thoroughfare. Ronan O'Ceallaigh to send letters and also to Rhatigans & Co. Ltd in parallel, seeking assistance with this matter.

Wheel Ruts:

- Edges of greens in Area 5 and 6 have evidence of wheels being driven up on kerbs onto the greens...who is doing this?
- **APPEAL to everyone in the estate**, that if you see trucks or cars driving up on greens or narrow green strips to please let the residents association know, so we can get it cleaned up immediately.
- Green strip outside of House 280 had mud dragged across pedestrian walkway. This was cleaned up by Brian Kennedy landscaping 2 or 3 weeks ago, and again by Ronan O’Ceallaigh a week ago. This makes it difficult for the landscaper to mow the lawn due to the cavity left from the car wheel, and also looks very unsightly.

Brian Kennedy Landscaper:

- Contract was signed, on 09-February-17 (day after A.G.M.), for next 3 years, 2017, 2018, 2019. Brian Kennedy will be our landscaper for this timeframe.
- Brian Kennedy, has started already. Edging of the green areas throughout the entire estate completed, and an excellent job has been done on it.
- Shrub areas, pruned back, weeded and edged. Mulch to be added later.
- Fantastic job overall by Brian Kennedy, I am sure you all agree.

Palace Fields Estate Website:

- The main target is for the website to be the portal and an information database for the estate to the wider public and for each resident or potential resident in the estate.
- The website has been worked on by Ronan O’Ceallaigh. Sports clubs added (Rugby, GAA, Soccer, Hurling, Camogie, Running, Cycling, and Snooker) and local schools both primary and secondary being added.
- Next step are local businesses in the area.

Car Parking:

- Been requested to make a special appeal to everyone in the estate, that when you are parking your car/van, please park in your driveway or parallel to the kerb outside of your house. It’s been noticed in some instances where cars are parked in a staggered fashion, one parallel to kerb, and one opposite side of the road, particularly in the large green areas. This makes it very difficult for a car or a larger vehicle i.e. an ambulance, or a rubbish collecting truck, to squeeze through either in an emergency, or carrying out normal day to day duties. The thoroughfares around the greens are narrower than the main thoroughfare. **PLEASE BE MINDFUL OF THE TRAFFIC PASSING THROUGH, AND THANK YOU.**

House Painter:

Rory O’Connor

086 8435552

Fascia & Gutter Cleaning:

Derek McDonagh

086 8216307

Useful Phone Numbers & Email Addresses:

Electric Skyline for street lighting replacement low call 1890 328587, text 087 1955076, Email: faults@electricskyline.ie;

A Gerda Siochana Tuam 093 70841.

Neighbourhood Watch Scheme Liaison Officer – Frank Breslin;

Dog warden name and number Christy Corcoran 087-2224192;

Draughty windows or worn seals Walter Cunningham 086-3545819 or Weather glaze: contact Dave 087-6260497.