



Pocono Mountain Lake Estates 5, 6, 7 Community Association
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Summer Quarterly Newsletter 2021

The Board of Director's meeting held on July, 24th, 2021

Board of Directors

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Group

Accountant:
Brian O'Hare

Billing Agency:
Berkheimer
Outsourcing

Collection(s):
Creditech
Empire Collection

Treasury Report: Checking Account: \$121,833.05; Money Market: \$10,014.26; CD Balance: \$20,000.00

Old Business Discussion Highlights:

- Complaints, criticism, suggestions and questions should be directed to the board via the appropriate channels, such as email, website or in writing mailed to us.

New Business Discussion Highlights:

- **Next Meeting Date:** September 25th, 2021
- **Mailbox:** Joe Thompson offered to look at the mailbox to see if he could solution a repair. We appreciate his assistance with this, whether he can or cannot. If it cannot be repaired, then we will be purchasing a new mailbox sometime for 2021/2022.
- **Dues:** This is hot topic within this community. We have cut a lot of costs to keep our dues low. Further proving that is the fact that we haven't raised the dues in 5 years. That being said we've also made it easier for members to pay their dues by introducing a Quarterly Payment plan. However, no matter how hard we try and facilitate paying dues, we just can't seem to get everyone on board. Starting in 2020, the PMLE 5, 6, 7 Board of Directors have implemented some new techniques to collect some of our outstanding debt. We will continue moving forward with that momentum through 2021 as we explore additional options. If you are a member owing the community money, it is in your best interest to reach out to us to make arrangement for payment.
- **2021/2022 Roads.** Road work for this fiscal year is nearly complete. We have a company coming in to finish the potholes for sections 6 & 7 to lay asphalt and seal them appropriately on the week of July 26th. Once that is complete, we will have spent approximately \$74,000 in road work against our budgeted \$70,000.
 - As noted at the meeting, we solicited bids for tar & chip, as well as paving for Mountain Top Drive. The bid we received for fixing potholes and laying asphalt for Mountain Top Drive was, close to \$160,000, for 2 miles of road. For perspective, if every single community member paid their dues, we only bring in \$156,251.00 annually (IF everyone pays).
- **Committee Members.** Committee members are always needed. Please reach out to the board to sign up for a committee. All committees could use volunteers, who are willing to put in some time helping their community.
- **Board Members.** Board Members are always needed. To become a board member, please submit your information to the board as well as any pertinent details you think may be relevant. Please be reminded that board members must be members in good standing, able to be bonded, be computer proficient and donate approximately 2-4 hours a week (on rotation) as well as attend quarterly meetings.



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Committee Information (Highlights):

- **Brush/Tree:** PMLE is looking to rent a brush hog for September, if all goes as planned. This task will require some volunteers from each section to lend a hand.
- **Clean up Committee:** As always, we appreciate the neighbors who work to keep our neighborhood clean. If you see garbage, please don't leave it for someone else, as this is your community as well.
- **Grievance Committee:** Nothing to report.
- **Lake/Recreation:** Joe Juarez donated his time to build PMLE a dock at the lake. He did an excellent job and really made a difference in making it a more attractive area.
- **Neighborhood Watch:** If you see something, say something. If you have issues with neighbors, noise or safety, we encourage you to contact the appropriate authorities, immediately, or try and work out the issues directly with your neighbor. Otherwise, legal matters should be directed to your local law enforcement.
- **Parking Lot Committee:** Nothing to report. We have many adults with children who use this area, as it's the bus stop. Weeding and mowing this area shouldn't be the burden of the few.
- **Road Committee:** Mountain Top Drive potholes were fixed and the road resurfaced with oil & chip. We have another round of potholes being fixed in sections 6 & 7.
- **Safety & Identification:** We have many signs missing, damaged beyond repair or down. PMLE has some other issues to tend to that are much more pressing, at this time. We cannot give an ETA on fixing these, replacing these, etc. However, they are on the board's radar.
- **Snow & Ice:** Nothing to report, at this time.
- **Website:** Nothing to report. Please ensure that you have bookmarked www.pml567.com and are checking it weekly for Official news updates. We have communicated this on numerous occasions.

Finally, we'd like to thank the few members of this community for any and all time they've volunteered. While not everyone gets a shout out on the community Facebook pages, we do know of many of you who help out and lend a hand. Whether it be cleaning our community, helping to open up drainage ditches/culverts, throwing some quarry press in potholes to get us by, filling potholes with cold patch to get us by, brush and tree cutting, keeping the mailbox area mowed and weeded as well as stocking the salt bin at the bus stop. We appreciate everything you do for this community to keep it running smoothly, helping us to get by until permanent solutions are put into place all while working to keep the grumbling down to a minimum. Thank you very much for your time and effort!