

ORANGEWOOD HOMES ASSOCIATION, INC
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Board MEETING June 15 2026 Annual Meeting MINUTES

Present: Seth, Lois, Casey, Russ, Linda

Absent: Ira

1. Mayor Kline

- a. Orange Village new fire station & renovation of existing village hall - plans are in progress. Village hall opened in 1995 (designed 1993). Police, fire, and community resources all together.
 - i. Have needs for decontamination facilities as well as co-ed dorms. Evidence lockers/security struggles for space. Fire stations don't have proper space for drying their equipment.
 - ii. Architect hired for the new fire station & renovation. Entire police facility will be converted to a new community room/facility. That will necessitate a bond in the upcoming May.
3rd party surveyor on the team to oversee budget, spending, and building management. 18mil price.
Bond issue of 3.9mil.
- b. Harvard & Orange Place South - Omni living facility is in phase 1. Started construction & building for phase 2.
Eventually 132 units once it's completed.
- c. Permanent green space in Orange Village. 35 acres scheduled in an easement.
- d. Dog forest opened the other day. South fence of the dog forest is the home run fence for the baseball field.
- e. Received a grant to renovate our amphitheater. Add cover, update the stage & facilities.
- f. Looking for suggestions for how to reuse our old dog park.
- g. Miles Road water main finally going to be replaced. Plan for under construction and completed by the fall. Repave from 422 underpass almost to Harper road.
- h. Walnut Hills residential (part of the original Pinecrest project) has been approved for preliminary plans. Will have final plans in the fall for another 395 units.
 - i. Bahama Breeze and Red Lobster sites will be going away for redevelopment.

- i. “Orange Village Incubator for Life Sciences and Technology” - would like to create something on Orange Place South property to put together some creative fixtures
- j. Upcoming events**
 - i. Juneteenth concert (“Full of Love” orchestra) on 6/18
 - ii. We had our first summer & artisans market last weekend
 - iii. “Kindness America” - go online to sign up and record acts of kindness in the community
 - iv. “Party in the Park” 7/25 - food trucks, games, events, drone show, etc.
 - v. 8/11 Concert at our amphitheater

2. Questions

- a. Question about the recent power outages that have been hitting the neighborhood
 - i. New Illuminating Company rep for the area to monitor the issues.
- b. Question about Pepper Pike about extending side walks to help the Lander side of Oranewood to get to the circle
 - i. Pepper Pike has a trail to their side of the border. The bigger plan for Lander circle has the potential to alter the general landscape.
- c. Question about traffic on Lander getting worse since the school moved in
 - i. There are some grand plans from the school that will severely impact traffic in the area.
 - ii. Traffic studies are to come for Lander road to accommodate the additional traffic.
- d. Question about the Lander school zone - the sign doesn’t say speed or time
 - i. 20 MPH. 7:45-8:30am and 3-3:30pm
- e. Ordinance recently passed prohibiting culdesac parking 24/7
 - i. There’s been issues with safety for vehicles and it being incredibly difficult for buses, garbage trucks, and safety vehicles to navigate the culdesacs with parked cars.
 - ii. Signage is going to go up soon. There will be a notice period where they go to doors with warnings.
 - iii. The straightaways are fair game for parking still.
- f. Incidents of ebikes on trails
 - i. Discussion ongoing for how to manage those devices on trails and what we can do legally.
- g. Snowplowing the trails in winter- and chance of the village to plow these
 - i. Village has machinery to plow 6ft wide trails. Oranewood is only 5ft wide though, so they need to come up with a plan for machinery
 - ii. Issue with the private snow plowers obliterating where the trails should be. On Harvard there aren’t nearly as many drives to deal with, so more space for snow piles.

3. Landscaping

- a. Creek that runs in the park. We're adding another 40 feet of culvert to flatten things out and fix the safety issue for falling.
- b. Picnic tables keep getting stacked to climb on top of the pavilion roof. We'll have our landscaper to secure the tables into the concrete in the future.
- c. Getting bids for connecting the Laurel Circle to old tennis courts with paved paths.
 - i. Would be a T on the existing path to extend.
 - ii. This would pave the existing paths on East side of the neighborhood.
- d. Field drainage that we put in last year has been doing well this season from accumulating water.
- e. Pickleball & tennis court doing well. A new squeegee has been put out for use.
- f. The existing paved paths - how are they holding up and are we budgeting for lifecycle costs.
 - i. 3-4inch depth for the paths. On the Ash end it's lower than it should be, which is being replaced as part of our warranty.
 - ii. They don't need to be resealed, and do seem to be holding up generally.

4. Financial Report

- a. Budget about 75k and spend about 60k. So around 15k each year for capital improvements. Last year spent 18k last year, for improved field drainage and the paving.
 - i. No major improvements planned for this year, though ideas are welcome.
 - ii. We had repairs done on the playground this year (that playground is 30yrs old.) Some parts were getting old (bolts rusting, pieces coming off from wear). Some parts were purposefully damaged.
 - iii. There's a spot on the website for suggestions and feedback! Can be anonymous, but having names really helps for getting more information!
- b. 100% payment for the past 8 years. 2026 will have one lien on a property for non-payment.

5. ARB/SHM

a. Start of our busy season

- i. We're discussing updating the ARB to make the manual easier to read and get more information before residents start the process.
 - 1. 3 active under review board right now.
- ii. For SHM, we've had only 1 report in the last few months. Official reporting is done through the website.

b. Discuss with Eli/Irv shed rules

6. Old Business

a. Hawk

- i. **Contribute to bird sanctuary.**

1. Chief Roberts & game warden were crucial and amazing to work with! We needed a federal permit to remove the hawk!
2. Moved two of the chicks to a sanctuary.

ii. Cut down tree

1. The tree is dead on the circle and will be removed.

b. Update on Street Repairs

- i. The projected starting date is 7/27. This means the week of 7/20 you should see notifications to residents and signage going up in the construction zone. If all goes as planned the project should be complete just before the start of school.

c. New path

7. New Business

a. Stacking tables at Park. Drill them in.

b. Fences

- i. We're working on making the ARB manual clearer and more readily understandable so people don't start the process and hit denials.

ii. Vinyl Fences

1. Vinyl fences have stopped being approved by ARB as we've had a lot of negative feedback over the years. We'll be updating the manual to make that clear.
2. Existing vinyl fences are grandfathered in. A new vinyl fence hasn't been approved in 10+ years.

iii. Chain Link

iv. Street facing

c. Thank You!

- i. Jim, Jerry, & Lois have 15+ years of service to the board and have stepped down
- ii. Thank you for your service to the board!

d. Noise from generators

- i. Seth to look into sound proof boxes that are rated for generators to see if this is something to bring to the neighborhood.