

Bienville Place

A COVENANT CONTROLLED COMMUNITY

March 12, 2007

Dear Bienville Place Homeowners,

Our annual meeting, held on December 14, 2006, failed to have a quorum present to conduct business and hold elections. Therefore, the annual meeting to vote on the 2007 budget, elect our Board of Directors, and elect the Architectural Review Board (ARB) was rescheduled for February 7, 2007, at the Ocean Springs Middle School Cafetorium. A quorum was established and the meeting was called to order.

The Treasurer's Report was given by our outgoing Treasurer, Ann Utterback. She presented a budget for 2007 (see page 2) and explained in detail the rationale behind each of the expenses, such as landscaping in the common areas, neighborhood enhancements, repairs and maintenance, and our general liability insurance policy. She also reviewed our dues income for 2006 -- thanks to all who have paid. For those that haven't paid their dues, the Association will be taking action to bring all residents into compliance. 2007 dues will remain at \$100. If you haven't paid your 2006 and/or 2007 dues yet, please send your dues to the address below. Remember—not paying dues is NOT an option!

The next agenda item was voting for the Board of Directors. Your 2007 Board of Directors is: Rick Rowe, President; Chuck Swan, Vice President; Bebe Walls, Treasurer; and Tana Owen, Secretary. I want to give a special thanks to our outgoing Treasurer, Ann Utterback, who has faithfully held her position for several years and has done such a great job with the Association in general—her participation will be missed.

We elected three new ARB members—they are David Bella, Troy Million, and Tom Pearson. Our outgoing ARB members were Gary Freeman, Lance Robinson and Bethany Dill. I would like to thank them for their service—the ARB is a tough job, but important, as it is the body that maintains the overall appearance of our subdivision.

During the open forum portion of the meeting, a majority of homeowners expressed a great concern about the continuing speeding problem that plagues our entire community. They felt it was so important that a vote was held on putting a hold on the neighborhood enhancement dollars slated for the proposed brick wall project along Hanshaw Road and using these dollars to possibly build landscape islands on Cabildo, Bergerac, and Chaumont—similar to those on Dijon—to slow down the traffic on these streets. The vote to hold the funds carried by a large margin. It was thought that these islands would be the most aesthetically pleasing of all the speed control options. However, these islands also present some engineering challenges so a full study is going to be conducted before any talk of construction begins.

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Volunteers were solicited to participate in the Neighborhood Crime Watch Program that we want to implement soon. Numerous reports of theft, vandalism and "Peeping Toms" were reported at our meeting. All residents need to take heed and be alert for criminal or suspicious activity and call the police immediately if you observe anything like this. If anyone would like to participate in the crime watch program, please write us and we'll contact you. The Ocean Springs Police Department will conduct the required training for those on the program.

Other items of concern from the floor were a right turn lane for the Bergerac entrance (similar to the one on Cabildo) and better lighting for both entrances. Both of these had a lot of support and the Board will look into the feasibility and report back during the summer Association meeting.

Finally, the Association will be sponsoring its first community-wide garage sale on Saturday, May 5th. The advertised time for the garage sale will be from 8:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. This is a planned annual event for the Association. Advertising will be placed in the Sun Herald and signs will be placed at the Cabildo and Bergerac entrances of Hanshaw Road. This is everyone's chance to clear out the garage and attic of unwanted items and take advantage of the appeal an event of this size could bring. As such, we are asking for maximum participation. If you are thinking of having a garage sale—wait until May 5th!

Sincerely,



Richard Rowe
President
Bienville Place Owners Association

BPOA Board of Directors	Budget 2007
<p>President Rick Rowe (818-5787)</p>	<p><u>Expenditure</u> 2007</p>
<p>Vice President Chuck Swan (818-5177)</p>	<p>Landscaping \$5,000</p>
<p>Treasurer Bebe Walls (818-5615)</p>	<p>Neighborhood Enhancements \$3,600</p>
<p>Secretary Tana Owen (818-9084)</p>	<p>Dues/Covenants Enforcement \$2,000</p>
<p>Architectural Review Board</p>	<p>Insurance \$3,300</p>
<p>David Bella (872-1928)</p>	<p>Repairs/Maintenance \$1,000</p>
<p>Troy Million (818-4661)</p>	<p>Administrative \$1,000</p>
<p>Tom Pearson (818-8949)</p>	<p>Meetings/Events \$500</p>
	<p>Welcome Committee \$500</p>
	<p>Lake Committee \$500</p>
	<p>Taxes \$200</p>
	<p>Total: \$18,600</p>
	<p>2006 Funds Available \$13,000*</p>
	<p>Total Budget for 2007 \$31,600</p>
	<p>*2006 remaining funds being held in reserve for Bergerac Lane brick wall project or landscape islands for speed control—outcome to be determined</p>