**Deer Ridge Property Owners Monthly Meeting - 1/7/2013  
Time Started: 7:05 pm, Adjourned: 8:00 pm  
  
Board Members present:  
a.   President: Schuyler Schupbach  
b.   Treasurer: David Webb  
c.   Compliance: Gary Ash  
d.   Member: Anna Paxton  
  
Common Areas  
Hintz septic problem - no progress.  Schuyler will follow up with Erin Hintz to devise a plan for addressing once thaw occurs in the Spring.   
  
Mowing common areas - Schuyler will contact Garriott regarding the potential of adding the common area between the  
Muhlbauer and Gottsacker lots to this year's mowing contract.   
  
Ash Trees - several ash trees within the subdivision common areas are starting to die.  There are approximately 80 ash trees within the subdivision common areas.  The Board will get bids for the Spring removal of those that have died thus far (and bids for replacement trees).  This work could have an impact on this year's annual dues given the potentially significant cost.   This will be a topic of disucssion during this year's annual meeting where homeowners will be able to provide feedback on next steps.     
  
Question was received regarding whether skating/playing is allowed on the frozen ponds.  There is nothing in the covenants which prohibits this activity -  however, it should be noted that all residents do so at their own risk.  
  
Treasurer's Report   
Heartland checking balance $14,351.89.  Special assesment account value is now $0 as all refund checks have been been issued.       
  
IEPA Update  
No update related to IEPA situation.  This will be a topic of discussion during the annual meeting.    
    
Annual Meeting  
Meeting will be held the third Sunday of February (2/16) at 1:00pm.  The Board is still in need of additional members - please consider volunteering.  David will call to reserve the Covell Town Hall (same location as prior years).  Tentative agenda includes the following items:**

* **- Review 2013 committee updates**
* **- Update on environmental issue**
* **- Discuss ash tree removal & replacement**
* **- Discuss homeowner interest in pursuing litigation against delinquent homeowners**
* **- Review 2013 financial results/ending position and 2014 budget**
* **- Review proposed annual assessment**
* **- Elect directors**
* **Covenants  
  The board has received complaints regarding three new sheds which do not appear to comply with the covenants.  Letters will be sent to all three homeowners requesting that they provide support to the Board that their sheds do comply with the covenants.**