

MUD 113 Newsletter

April, 2018 Election Addendum

Precinct 5 Director Voting Update

4 Candidates have declared for the Precinct 5 Director position beginning May, 2018 and ending May, 2022. Election day is May 5, 2018 and the local polling place is the Woodforest Homefinder Center 7am-7pm. Early voting is available at 7 sites around the county on April 23-28 and April 30-May 1. For specific details on sites and times, go to your web-site browser and enter the address legacy.mctx.org/election. Only property owners in Precinct 5 are eligible to vote in this election. If you are unsure which Precinct you live in, go to the above website and click on the link "Check your Registration Status". After entering your name and birthdate, you will be directed to a page with all sorts of useful voter information. There is a box on the lower right of that page entitled "Your Other Voting Jurisdictions". The last line in that box lists your MUD 113 Precinct.

Each Precinct 5 candidate submitted a short bio to aid voters in making their choice. These bios are listed below in the order of how the candidates will be listed on the ballot. The order was chosen by a drawing.

Amy Scott

I am up for re-election to my position as VP on the MUD 113 Board this May. I have been in this seat for approximately 2 years now. When I was asked to join the MUD Board, I knew very little of what would be expected of me and how great of a contribution this is to our small community. During this time, I have seen incredible growth in our neighborhood. We have built roads, parks, a waste water treatment plant, and lowered taxes twice. I, too, was a resident affected by Hurricane Harvey. I watched as my neighbors scurried to save what they could from their homes. I watched as volunteers evacuated my daughter through rising waters. Our family provided shelter to others who faced rising water. I stayed in constant contact with our developer and engineers providing as much information as possible to help in the recovery.

I am an active member of our community. You can often see me out running our new roads and sidewalks, checking out the water fountains and conditions of our parks. I am fully invested in the growth of this neighborhood for families, as I am raising our daughter in this community. We moved to Woodforest for just that reason-not just for a house, but for a home. My commitment is that if I am re-elected, I will continue to represent all families and residents of Woodforest, ensuring that the Development, Board, and Consultants make the best use of our tax funds while providing a quality community for all of us.

Ryan Wade

I moved to Woodforest in 2016 with my wife Jennifer to start a family. I have since had a daughter and have a son on the way. As a Civil Engineer that has specialized in Master

Planned Communities and MUD's for the last 10 years, I look forward to the opportunity to give back to the neighborhood I have grown to love. I believe my experience with drainage can help ensure the drainage system performing the best it can. Also, I believe my experience will help the District make decisions that are in the best interest of all residents within the community. Overall, I would be honored to serve the District that your family and mine call home and will strive to make this a place we want to live for years to come.

Garry Oakley

I recently retired from federal service after 30 plus years as an environmental and civil engineer with the Department of Defense (DoD). As The Command Engineer I was responsible for the financial and budgetary requirement for all the real property assets. This entailed managing all the day to day and long range requirement for military family housing, water, waste, refuse collection, engineering design and construction, environmental and cultural development, base operations, security, emergency medical, fire department, disaster preparedness and readiness for DoD's premier and pristine installations and bases. I have an extensive background in Business, Fiscal, Contract, and Environmental Law. This experience has uniquely prepared me as the best candidate for the position of MUD 113 Director – Precinct 5. Let me demonstrate my capabilities and represent you on the Board of Directors. I will lead us through the challenges that WoodForest will face and celebrate the rewards the future will bring. Your vote will be the best investment you've made this year.

John D. Howlett

My wife, Alyson, and I have lived in Woodforest with our three daughters and one son since 2015. Woodforest's infrastructure is inadequate. I will work to solve Woodforest's infrastructure problems without excess expenditures. I support evening MUD meetings to promote resident participation. I work in oil/gas. Previously I developed software used by the Army Corps and private companies to predict/mitigate flooding. I am well trained in drainage/flood control, utility systems, bridges/roadways, and wastewater plants with degrees in Civil Engineering (BS, MS, PhD coursework), Arctic Engineering (MS), and Coastal Engineering (Graduate Certificate). I will use my engineering, construction, and contract management skills to ensure MUD 113 focuses on solving issues important to Woodforest residents (flooding, quality design/work, cost/schedule discipline) and operates in a financially stable/well-planned manner.

Additional Security in Woodforest

The District has entered into an amended Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with Montgomery County and the Sheriff's Dept. that now provides for 24 hour, 7 day a week deputy coverage. This Agreement took effect on January 1, 2018 and will automatically renew for one-year terms unless terminated by the Parties. An adjacent entity, Westwood Magnolia Parkway Improvement District (WMPID), located principally along Honea-Egypt Road and the intersection at FM 1488, also wished to upgrade their deputy coverage to 24/7. In the interest of reduced response time and increased law enforcement presence, each entity has agreed to fund additional deputies, which will allow single coverage 24/7 with double

coverage at certain times. Deputies shall not respond to routine calls outside the combined area and shall only patrol the area except in the event of an emergency.

This is a model, cost-effective approach that leverages funded law enforcement resources to service combined, nearby geographical areas.

Parks Policy Update

Our wonderful parks within Woodforest are an important and valued amenity to residents. Whether they have open spaces, are sport specific, or designed with children's play structures, it is important that we care for these parks so that they are a welcome respite for folks and that they will be here for years to come. To that end, there are some necessary rules to keep in mind when using these locations. We ask that everyone abide by these guidelines and park rules to respect and protect every resident's right to enjoy all that these parks offer.

Park Hours and Policies

- Park hours are dawn to dusk, unless otherwise posted
- Lighted courts and fields close at 10 p.m.
- Park speed limit is 10 miles per hour
- Parking is allowed in designated areas only
- Operating a motorized vehicle of any kind, except on roads and parking lots is prohibited

The following are prohibited:

- Unleashed pets. As on our Woodforest trails, please pick up after your pets to keep areas sanitary. Recent violations of this rule have been observed and we ask for your diligence in adhering to this requirement for the safety of all park users. For those wishing a leash free alternative, the Woodforest Owners Association (WOA) offers Admiral Bark Park for your use. Please obey all posted rules at that location too and pick up after your animals.
- Glass containers
- Vandalism
- Fires
- Disorderly conduct
- Swimming in lakes and ponds
- Horseback riding
- Soliciting funds, donations, or distributing circulars
- Removal or destruction of vegetation
- Littering or dumping
- Excessive noise
- Overnight parking
- Fireworks
- Selling goods or services

M.U.D. 113 and the WOA need your help to maintain the beauty of parks in Woodforest. Please report any vandalism or questionable behavior to the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office at 936-760-5871 and report maintenance issues to the WOA at 713-932-1122.