

APPROVED AS WRITTEN, APRIL 2, 2024
TRAILER ESTATES PARK & RECREATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES WORKSHOP
MARCH 19, 2024
MARK'S HALL
1903 69TH AVENUE WEST
BRADENTON, FL 34207

The Workshop Meeting was called to order by Duane Trotter at 9:31 a.m.

ROLL CALL: Lori Dalton, Kathy Gregory, Russell McAlister, Louis Nickels, Cindy O'Brien, Rod Smith and Duane Trotter present. Dottie Deerwester joined via zoom. Todd Lombardi was absent. Park Manager, Lee Morris, was present in the hall.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Patty Jansen, 1705 IN – She thanked the trustees for their service. She then stated she would like an updated telephone directory. She detailed how 125-150 comments on Facebook wants updated directories and only a couple had negative comments.

Karen Finkbeiner, 1706 WI – She stated she wants an updated pictorial telephone directory and recommended a survey of residents asking if they want a new pictorial directory. She then stated cameras at the pool should not be shown on channel 733; they should only be viewed by security and detailed her reasoning. She then stated dogs should have an area to be unleashed and recommended the TEN property and detailed her reasoning.

Closed Public Comment

Responses to Public Comment

None.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

Ruth Coppens, 6823 MA, Treasure Barn (TB) Committee – She detailed the regular TB meeting schedule. She thanked Kathy for the glimpse into TB volunteers given at the last Board Meeting. She stated the TB balance is now \$39,711.36. She detailed the TB voted to use \$35,000 towards renovations of the bathrooms in

the large hall. She then stated the restrooms at the TB need to be ADA compliant too and that TB could help fund the station renovations.

CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS

Terri Ellenberger, 6810 MA, Cook's Night Out (CNO) – She stated they are gearing up with their first dinner on April 11 and tickets will be sold the week prior. She also stated CNO got new shirts for maintenance staff.

DISCUSSION ITEMS PRESENTED BY BOARD & STAFF

- 1) **Proposed O & M Budget Discussion (Nickels)** – Lee presented the Operating & Maintenance budget for Fiscal Year 2024-25 which includes a 5% increase that sets the annual assessment at \$1338.44 (an increase of \$63.74 from the previous budget). He states this would include fast internet, cable TV and curbside trash pickup. A discussion followed. Louis will bring this forward at today's Board Meeting to approve mailing out the proposed budget.
- 2) **Discuss New Telephone Directory (Trotter)** – Duane presented a list of reasons why he does not support creating a TE Phone Directory. A discussion followed. Duane stated there is not a simple solution and he will bring it back at a future workshop.
- 3) **Finalize Move to New Maintenance Building (Lombardi)** – Lee detailed the need for the Maintenance Department to finalize their move to the former fire station. A discussion followed. This will be brought forward at today's Board Meeting.
- 4) **Revise Budget Calendar FYI only (Morris)** – Lee provided an updated budget calendar and explained it. A discussion followed. This was an FYI only.
- 5) **Reservation for Function (Deerwester)** – Dottie asked why the Friendsgiving lunch on Thanksgiving was declined. A discussion followed. Duane asked Dottie to get with Lori when she returns to the park.

TRUSTEE REPORTS

- 1) Rod – He stated the south side is not bad. He encouraged residents to secure items before hurricane season begins and to let CERT know your contact information. He also encouraged residents to have someone lined up to take care of the yard during the summer.
- 2) Russell – None.
- 3) Cindy – She stated the Blood Drive is this Thursday from 8-2. She detailed AED/CPR/Choking training on March 27th from 1-2.
- 4) Dottie – She detailed the last Coffee Break and then the Potluck this evening. She stated she would be posting the summer schedule next week.
- 5) Kathy – She detailed recent past events including the cost vs income of each. She then detailed the upcoming Sunset Beach Happy Hour Event; including asking folks not to show up before 3:00.
- 6) Louis – He stated he is working on updating procedures to include the Park Manager for the auditors. He is editing the tax rolls for folks who pre-paid the special seawall assessment. He indicated he would begin the Tangible Assets paperwork soon.
- 7) Duane – None.
- 8) Lori – She stated she is current with reservations. She stated she does not have paperwork from Beautification Club, Jammers, Joker Rummy, Masonic Square Club, Pinochle, Poker, Rummikub and Wii Bowling. She needs the PP37(s) AND bylaws/officers or a PP39. She will meeting with Phyllis for Pickleball in late March.

PARK MANAGER COMMENTS

Lee detailed the free shredding event on March 23 from 9-11. He then stated the Red Cross Smoke Detector installs would be April 20 and residents that pre-registered will need to be home from 9-2. He reminded residents that the presidential preference election was going on in the back of the large hall. He stated the docks are being worked on and cautioned folks to be careful. He anticipates the dock project will be completed early next week. He also stated the damaged dock has been repaired.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 11:01 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Dalton, Secretary