

APPROVED AS WRITTEN, FEBRUARY 28, 2022
TRAILER ESTATES PARK & RECREATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
FEBRUARY 7, 2022
9:30 A.M.
MARK'S HALL
1903 69TH AVENUE WEST
BRADENTON, FL 34207

The meeting was called to order by Mike Sansone at 9:30 a.m.

ROLL CALL: Mary Chandler, Lori Dalton, Kathy Gregory, Russell McAlister, Louis Nickels, Pete Price, Mike Sansone, Sandy Simonich and Duane Trotter present.

RESIDENTS COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS:

Ruth Coppens, 6823 MA – She indicated the Auxiliary would re-open on February 10, 2022. She detailed the sales tax issue that caused the Commissioners to err on the side of caution and temporarily close the Auxiliary sales. She indicated the check for 3 years of sales tax (\$6,303.11) and 9% fine (\$783.81) has been submitted with the Voluntary Disclosure to the state. She stated they have received their 501(c)3 paperwork and could be ready to change to a non-profit operation any time. She recommended the board talk about the legislation and the need for one more referendum to bring TE into the Cedar Hammock Fire District's district. She stated the attorneys were working on an inter local agreement based on the information from the January 13, 2022 joint meeting and recommends residents attend the February 18, 2022 joint meeting. She indicated the fire inspection by Cedar Hammock has been completed and there are only a couple minor things to fix. She ended stating the Auxiliary would continue to operate under the Commissioners until possibly September 30.

Sandy Stevens, 1814 MN – She detailed her support of continuing Bingo with Mothers Helping Mothers (MHM). She detailed the great work that they do. She doesn't support taking away from an organization for hardly nothing and feels it is a wonderful way for residents to win money and help mothers.

Mary Wadman, 6514 NJ – She stated she agreed with Sandy and is happy with her money going to pay for formula, etc. She feels if it's not broke, don't fix it.

Judy Babiarz, 1905 MN – She stated she is new to Bingo and doesn't understand why we want to change it. She supports helping someone else.

Beverly Cronin, 6625 AZ – She supports MHM and echoes previous comments.

Betsy Orrison, 6919 Marlin – She stated she likes the renovations to Mark’s Hall; however, the handling of individual’s hanging art being removed without any communication with the Art Club was not well received. Artists felt their work was disrespected and there were many hurt feelings. She then asked for the Art Club to be involved with any proposed large hall renovations to maybe create an Art Gallery area and help with appropriate lighting to showcase the artwork.

Karen Baker, 2204 MN – She stated she supports Bingo and MHM and thinks it is selfish to keep the money.

Dr. J. D. Good, 6913 Marlin – He indicated he started a new TE Homeowners Club and is interested in changing the way we operate. He indicated many changes were identified and will be presenting them in writing. He then detailed his view on the canal and Deed Restrictions and his disagreement that he needs board approval to anchor or moor a boat in the canal; but stated he would address this later.

Closed Public Comments

Responses to Public Comment

Louis – None.

Mary – She indicated she has been to MHM and they did help us out of a bind. Our Charter states 100% given back and she is unsure if legally we can make a charitable donation to MHM.

Russ – He thanked all 30+ residents for attending today. He indicated he doesn’t play Bingo and needs to look into it further. He offered the idea of collecting donation for MHM or maybe allowing players to decide.

Sandy – She stated she is glad the Auxiliary is able to re-open. She indicated she is happy to help with Bingo and is afraid we will lose the current volunteer support if we stop the MHM payments.

Duane – He apologized for any disrespect of the paintings. He did state they were stored in a climate controlled area.

Pete - He stated MHM is not a donation; that we are paying for a service. He thinks we should always help those who need help; it’s a gesture of being a good neighbor. He stated the next Coffee Break would include an auction for SE Guide Dogs; ending with his support of MHM.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mary made a motion to approve the Regular Business Meeting Minutes of

January 17, 2022, seconded by Duane. The minutes were approved as corrected 9/0.

Duane made a motion to approve the Workshop Meeting Minutes of January 17, 2022, seconded by Mary. The minutes were approved as written 9/0.

REPORT OF TREASURER

Checking: \$ 12,149.73

Investment account: \$ 1,558,932.80

Lori made a motion to approve the Report of the Treasurer, seconded by Russell. The motion was approved 9/0.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

None.

STAFF OR ATTORNEY COMMENTS:

None.

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS FROM TRUSTEE

- 1) Russell – He thanked residents for cleaning up their properties. He detailed Manatee County Code Enforcement (CE) working in TE assisting the park. He detailed that Permitting and CE are two separate branches of the county. He indicated he is working on a motor home issue on NE and has requested liens be placed on 6622 Marina and 6510 KS. He stated the Deed Restrictions #7 details the liens. He also detailed a notice from CE regarding fines for hiring non-licensed contractors and the need for 4" numbers (arabic style) on homes. He indicated information would be placed on various bulletin boards, the Tribune and website.
- 2) Louis – He stated he has been working to understand the interaction of the ARC, CE and the Board. He did state CE is very responsive and he appreciates the support from the county. He indicated he is working on a couple of lawn issues and recommends residents get permits.
- 3) Pete – He thanked Kathy Handy and her group who helped with the last Coffee Break. He said the next Coffee Break would be the auction and tickets were on sale at the Post Office through February 17. He then detailed the history of TE's support of the SE Guide Dogs. He stated Potlucks are cancelled until further notice.
- 4) Kathy – She detailed how the last Showtime went. She stated she plans to meet with Maintenance for a change in seating arrangements for

Showtime. She then detailed the dance and her plans to meet with Maintenance for tables/chair setup changes and allowing the performers to be able to use our sound system. She discussed how she is researching bands and working to improve attendance. She stated she is looking for volunteers to assist with Vegas night. She stated without volunteers she couldn't get her job done and thanked residents for their ideas and suggestions.

- 5) Sandy – She thanked residents for providing information regarding folks who have gone to nursing homes or the hospital. She also thanked people for their help with identifying those residents that passed away. She is going to determine if the Health Fair is on or not. Mike asked her about a Beautification Committee issue and she said she would prefer no action be taken.
- 6) Duane – He thanked residents providing lunches to Maintenance on Fridays. He stated he was absent January 17; however, he wanted to respond to some of the comments. He stated he agreed the storage lot pricing needs to be worked on and noted it was on that meeting's workshop. He stated he is addressing the current registration issues in the storage lot and it will be discussed later. He detailed why the cameras previously offered for the marina had not been moved forward. He stated he is working on FOBs for the Woodshop and will have costs and details which may include upgraded wiring and the need for wifi. He then detailed the possibility of purchasing an enclosed bulletin board for the post office for about \$800. He then detailed the problems with changing the size of our dumpsters. He asked Mary to get some prices from Wastepro for 2 pickups in season and only 1 pickup during the summer. He stated the seawall project was out for bid. He corrected residents that thought he was the liaison to the ARC and stated that problems with ARC need to be addressed with ARC. He then asked where we were at with the fines and penalties schedule. Mike stated it had been sent to the attorney and he would look into it. Duane then detailed some information from the joint meeting with Tri Par and Holiday Village. He indicated they do not have the large number of homes we have nor the number of activities.
- 7) Mary – She stated she didn't get the final audit yet and much of her time has been spent preparing the budget draft to be discussed at the workshop.
- 8) Lori – She stated she is accepting recurring reservations from clubs, groups and organizations. She indicated that current bylaws/officer or a PP39 needed to accompany the reservation request. She then asked for

direction on adding a beginners Line Dance class on Monday nights. A discussion followed. Lori was instructed to put the reservation request on hold while Sandy looks into if the current Tuesday night class might be modified to better suit the needs of our residents.

- 9) Mike – He detailed how TEFCD property is not currently TE Park & Rec. property and residents need prior TEFCD approval to use their parking lot. He then discussed the portion of the joint meeting with Tri Par and Holiday Village that he participated in which included information on a Park Manager. He then stated he is glad more clubs are speaking at meetings; indicating the best place is later in the meeting, after the new business.

REPORT FROM STANDING COMMITTEE

Sandy Stevens, 1814 MN, Beautification Committee (BC) – She asked for and received permission from the board to place a plaque honoring Lonnie Stanley in the Activity Center beside the Computer Room door. She detailed the recent Land Shark concert and explained why the profit margin was smaller than past concerts. She detailed upcoming events and stated their next meeting would be February 9, 2022 at 1:30 in Mark's Hall. She detailed the presentation regarding the Sunshine Law and was pleased to report committee members have not been violating it. She then discussed the issue with grandchildren (under 18) attending events where alcohol could be consumed. She will be following up on this occurrence. She also addressed concerns with people sneaking into the event without tickets and possible solutions were discussed. She then detailed the plans for beautification around the big oak tree on the east side of the large hall. A discussion followed. Duane will look into the boards' concerns with possible trip hazards. If Duane doesn't see an issue, the board supported the BC proceeding with the project.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Beautification Committee Charge – PP8 (Dalton) – Lori made a motion “To approve the Beautification Committee Charge – PP8 to include verbiage for \$500 pre-approved spending, \$2,000 Boutique inventory restock and change “G” to replace TJ with Office Manager as discussed at the January 3, 2022 and January 17, 2022 workshops.” The motion was seconded by Mary. A discussion

followed. No action was taken today. Lori was instructed to bring this back at the workshop on February 21.

Dock at 6925 Tarpon Lane (Dalton) – Lori made a motion “To approve the dock request for 6925 Tarpon Lane as diagrammed and discussed at the January 17, 2022 workshop.” The motion was seconded by Louis. A discussion followed. The motion passed 9/0.

REPORTS FROM CLUBS & ORGANIZATION.

Rod Smith, 6522 WA, Hobby Club – He stated he is the President of the club. He then detailed the recent changes to the Hobby Club Bazaars being on Saturdays only. He detailed the funds raised are used for the park such as supporting the 85+ Dinner, Christmas Dinner, etc. He did ask if the board could work on the clubs’ storage situation.

Dottie Deerwester, 1804 OH, Computer Club – She indicated their next meeting will be February 9 at 10:00 in Mark’s Hall. Topic will be how to use Zoom; providing the board has the time to get their Zoom access set up.

Dottie Deerwester, 1804 OH, Veteran’s Club – She stated we did not have a Veteran’s Day ceremony last year and she wants to ensure there is one in 2022. She stated she is looking for volunteers to help.

Dr. John Good, 6913 Marlin, Homeowners’ Club – He stated they held their first meeting on February 1. He identified the issues raised which included no background checks, multiple unit ownership, more financials online, deed restriction enforcement, park manager and the cost of seawall repair.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 11:07 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Dalton, Secretary