

BOARD APPROVED AS CORRECTED FEBRUARY 6, 2012
TRAILER ESTATES PARK & RECREATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES WORKSHOP
JANUARY 16, 2012
FOLLOWING BOARD MEETING
SMALL HALL
1903 69TH AVENUE WEST
BRADENTON, FL 34207

Chairman, Gail Opper, called the workshop to order at 12:45 P.M.

1. Background Checks (Opper) - Gail provided the board and residents with some new information regarding background checks. The board discussed this situation and Joe gave information he received from his investigation. Gail spoke to Tri-Par and to the person that does their background checks. Jim expressed concern about another law suit if we pursue background checks.

2. Letter/Questions for the Property Owners (Board) - Gail read some of the questions that Joe had submitted to be put on the questionnaire sent out with the budget report. The board discussed some suggestions. Gail asked that the board to have their questions submitted to her by the end of February.

3. Administrative-Budget 2012-2013, Holiday Pay, Sunshine Workshop, Website Computer, etc. (Brauer) – Martha gave a timeline for the budget to be completed. First draft would be ready for the February 6th workshop. Martha needs budget information from trustees by January 30th. The revised budget would be discussed at the February 20th workshop. The public hearing on the budget would be on March 5th. The board would be voting on the proposed budget for 2012-2013 on March 19th. Martha asked the board about holiday pay for Joyce as a part time employee. She felt that Joyce was entitled to 3 hours of pay for holidays. The board agreed with this. Martha discussed the need for Sunshine/Public Records workshop in the future. She felt that this workshop should not be discontinued. The board agreed to have another workshop after this year. The computer that was purchased for the website committee will not be needed with the new website configuration. Martha suggested that it might be of better use in the back room of the office for other trustees to use. She asked if Gail would be using it and if not maybe Mark could set up the laptop in the back office. The board felt that this would be a good idea. Martha asked if Debra would meet, along with her, the insurance representative to discuss the disaster plan with him. Gail reminded the residents that this would not be a violation of the Sunshine Law as long as it was just to gather information to bring back to the board.

4. Treasurer Duties (Brauer) – Martha discussed with the board the situation of her being up north for most of the season. She stated that she would be back in May for approximately two weeks. The board discussed how this would work for the good of the park. Lenora volunteered to help with the in-office treasurer duties. The board agreed to have Martha as treasurer with the assistance of Lenora as needed. It was agreed that if Martha became unable to fulfill these duties she would step down.

5. a. Benefits & Disadvantage of Being a Special District (Brauer)

b. Benefits & Disadvantages of Being another type of entity (i.e., Homeowners Association, etc.) (Brauer) – Joe read a list of Pro's and Con's to being a Special District or another entity. The board discussed some of the items on Joe's list.

6. Replace Docks at Marina (Hoch) – Fred asked Mark Yawberg to explain the replacement of the center dock, corner dock, and finger docks on the east wall. The estimates were \$32,875; \$24,696; and \$26,530. Mark recommended that we accept the bid of \$24,696 from Quality Marine. Mark & Fred’s research into this company revealed a very good job completion result. Mark estimated the time to complete this job was about two weeks. The board discussed the material that would be used. Mark explained that, due to the age of the pylons, wood decking would be best for this time.

7. New Entrance Door at the Post Office (Hoch) – Fred informed the board that the post office door would be replaced for \$2380. This is under the \$2500 limit without approval. The work would take place on February 20th while the post office is closed for the holiday. This will be a single door with a sidelight.

8. PP42 (Neal) – Lenora asked the board to clarify the \$50 deposit on events for residents. This is not the \$50 deposit for use of kitchen. This matter was explained and Lenora’s question was answered. Only private resident parties are charged a \$50 deposit.

9. New Year’s Eve Party (Salerno) – Joe stated that there was some money that came in from late New Year’s Eve Ticket sales. He asked the board if he could use that money for prizes at the New Year’s Eve Party next year. The board agreed that he could do this.

10. Florida Association of Special Districts (Salerno) – Joe asked to be reimbursed for a seminar that is held in Orlando in April. Gail expressed her concerns, after some research, of the organization being sponsored by Lewis Longman & Assoc. The board discussed these concerns and felt that Joe should be compensated for the \$75 seminar fee.

Public Comment:

Laura Wood – 6615 Washington – Laura expressed her concern for the budget. She suggested that the board consider the priorities for the park. Laura also commented on how the resident questions would be asked.

Public comment was closed.

Joe responded to Laura’s comments. Gail also commented on the Activity Building Door.

Workshop was adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lenora Neal, Secretary