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TE PARK & RECREATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEE BOARD MEETING
MARCH 15, 2010
9:30 A.M.
SMALL HALL
1903 69TH AVENUE WEST
BRADENTON, FL 34207

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Chairman Martha Brauer.

ROLLCALL: All trustees present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

March 1, 2010--A motion was made by Margo and seconded by Joe to accept the minutes. Correction: Top of page 6—After “the extra \$7,000,” add “brings employee costs to current levels of \$334,000 and....” With no further corrections, the minutes were accepted as corrected, 9-0.

March 8, 2010, Part I—A motion was made by Margo and seconded by Ken to accept the minutes. Corrections: 1) The date at the top of page 1 should say “2010” not “2009.” 2) Page 1, #6, last line should have the word “possibly” between “can” and “be.” 3) Page 4 where Harry Splett speaks, line 3 should say “spring” rather than “string.” The minutes were accepted as corrected, 9-0.

March 8, 2010, Part II—A motion was made by Joe and seconded by Ken to accept the minutes. Corrections: Page 2, last line should read: and “was continued until 10:30 a.m. March 15 in the Small Hall.” Page 1 in the middle should read: before “budget,” “and the posted budget draft with revisions on two items that includes accruals.” The minutes were accepted as corrected, 9-0.

REPORT OF TREASURER

No Report.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

None to approve.

INFORMATIONAL REPORT OF TRUSTEES

Harry: Thanks to John Stephenson whose efforts resulted in a new fence.

Ken: None

Fred: In seven days, we get the prints for the Spa.

Martha: Two street signs are not listed on the FPL sheet. Are we paying for those? Pam, can you call them about this?

Pam: Isn't FPL supposed to come for an evaluation?

Gail: 1) Only one person still needs to turn in an officer sheet to me for both Boaters & Toters and SAFE. Thanks to all the clubs who stepped forward and got those in per PP 5. 2) Discussed two nearly identical memos that came into the office regarding yearly reservations and meeting places. Gail explained the difference between District activities, club/organization activities, and resident-sponsored activities as well as their priorities as listed on page 3 of TE Rules and Regulations.

Martha: 1) The next court hearing will be Monday, March 22, at 9 a.m. for a District Partial Summary Judgment on 26 motions. Due to the hearing, there will be no Board meeting that day. 2) March 29 we will meet for both a Workshop and a Board meeting. 3) The audit is finished. The Auditor Selection Committee will meet Thursday at 10:30 a.m. Martha is asking TJ and Pam to fill out a form commenting on the audit process. 4) Public notice for the Dockmaster meeting is not necessary since this is an administrative matter. 5) A letter was sent by the Let's Talk Club regarding their Candidates Night. Pam will attend as a trustee but not as a Board representative. 6) There will be a meeting Friday, March 26 at 9:30 a.m. Manatee County permitting will be discussed at ARC. Martha will notice this meeting so Board members can come and speak. 7) Parking by the mailboxes at the Post Office and also at the TE Office during events is presenting a problem. Please leave these spots open for people getting their mail and going into the office. We need a handicap parking spot by the Activity Center.

Jim: I have had complaints about golf cart parking by the pool.

Martha: Fred, ask Mark if we can put a handicap parking space in.

8) Election information is available at the office of the Manatee Supervisor of Elections located at 600-301 Boulevard, Suite 108. Phone: 741-3823. Five Board positions will be filled this year. 9) Regarding the kitchen, there has been correspondence between residents, legislators, Ms. DeSabatino, etc. Ms. DeSabatino received a letter from Kathleen Galea. Martha responded to that letter to clarify information. 10) Martha thanked Ken Ilg for the work he has done on the marina. Martha named Ken as marina trustee.

Joe: The marina ad is out; it looks good.

Martha: I didn't get a proof and I didn't pay. The Board needs to discuss specific duties for Ken as marina trustee. Those duties will be listed on PP 40 and PP 41.

11) There is an underage occupant and dog at 1613 Ohio. Jim is aware and has received two complaints. He will look into this.

Margo: No report.

Jim: No report.

Joe: Saturday's dance revenue was \$415; yearly dance revenue is \$6,221. 50/50 Saturday was \$72; yearly 50/50 is \$1,437. Showtime is Thursday, April 1. A survey will be passed out during this show. Joe thanked the residents for turning lights off.

Pam: No report.

At this point, the March 15 meeting was recessed and the March 8 continued meeting was called to order.

ROLL CALL: All Trustees were present.

RESIDENTS COMMENTS ABOUT THE BUDGET

Harry Splett, 2104 Ohio—Go for the budget posted on 3/3/10 and work to save money.

Pam: If we go with the \$1,250 assessment, we will have money only until September. \$1,300 assessment would work. For every \$60,000 we spend, our assessment goes up \$50.

Bill Secraw, 1803 NY—Compliments to Pam for the budget as well as a good committee. Keep the assessments as low as possible or the attorneys will try to get their hands on it.

Harry Splett, 2104 Ohio—This is the biggest budget in the history of the park and there are only two people speaking.

Bev Lew, 2008 IL—She is not pleased with what we are paying our employees.

Bruce Smith, 2316 NY—Do our budget projections include future operating expenses? We need to make an effort to cut expenses.

Herb MacFarlane, 6606 WA—He wanted to commend the Board since the Budget Committee made recommendations. The Board has taken action on things recommended. Herb stated that no other park operates as efficiently as this park does. He has kept records for 20 years; before the litigation, our assessment increased only \$400 in 20 years.

Flo Mallory, 6919 W. Bayou—She is pleased Pam did a good job on the budget as did the committee.

COMMENTS FROM TRUSTEES ON THE BUDGET

Martha: Extensive worksheets were made from the Budget Committee recommendations in regards to our employees.

Joe: Lots of people have put a lot of work into the budget. He recommended we go with the budget recommended by the treasurer.

Pam read the Budget Resolution in regards to a 2010-2011 assessment of \$1,300. Budget was adopted by resolution, 9-0.

At this point, a motion was made by Margo, seconded by Joe, to adjourn the continuation of the March 8 meeting. The meeting was adjourned by consensus and the Board returned to the March 15 agenda.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

ARC—Ken reported on the March 12 meeting. Twelve new business items were approved; three, denied; three require follow-up.

Beautification—Margo reported that the committee met March 11 at 1 p.m. in CRII. All plants, if needed, will be replaced by the committee. \$100 was donated from blood pressure. More bike racks have been requested at the beach. The committee has decided to wait on flooring in the buildings.

RESIDENTS COMMENTS

Bev Lew, 2008 IL—She sent copies of the March 8 meeting to the Attorney General, inspector and newspaper. She believes we are not a mobile home park. She discussed the fact that a resident, whom she named, harassed and bullied her at a Let's Talk Club meeting and stated she had been threatened.

Jean Kotter, 2207 IL—She called the Board of Health. Food brought in from one's home is not allowed.

Harry Splett, 2104 OH—Walking from the Post Office to the shuffleboard courts, there is a lack of visibility for the pedestrian.

Virgil Reinig, 2113 MN—He feels honored that the Board works for him. He sees a change in attitude for the good. He reminded residents to watch how they park. He asked, "Don't people with a dog have to have a sign that says there is a dog?"

Jim: I don't know about that.

Robin DeSabatino, 6647 41st Circle East—She is touched by all the fees TE is incurring due to the lawsuit. She calculated that TE's assessment went from \$50 to \$109 a month.

Joe: Thanks for recognizing seniors (with the large print).

Martha: Sent the kitchen matrix to the attorney

Harry: Are the regulations for Special Districts?

Martha: The DBPR excludes mobile home parks and their guests from regulation. Special Districts are not defined by them.

Gail: Wants to thank Ms. DeSabatino for all her efforts on behalf of TE. Gail stated that she is disturbed by accusations of harassment, bullying, and threats made by one resident to another resident. She said that is no way to attempt to heal the park; and no matter which way the lawsuit goes, Gail wants to work to heal the park. Gail went on to say that all of us should watch what we say and look at ourselves in the mirror before we attack others.

Martha: She spoke to Bill Secraw's comments about the attorneys who see our reserves as a "pot of gold." She stated you can't make assumptions about people. Such assumptions are very erroneous. Let's move forward and keep the attitude good. Don't make negative assumptions. Herb MacFarlane told us that we were working with a deficit budget and we needed to bring our assessments up to cover our deficit budgeting.

Pam: We had a deficit budget because we had a large reserve.

Harry: We have to come into a special category where the kitchen is concerned.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Loans from individuals. A motion was made by Joe, seconded by Fred, to approve the promissory notes as follows: John Vaiea--\$22,500 at 3 percent for 13 months; \$22,500 at 4 percent for 25 months; \$25,000 at 5 percent for 37 months has been changed to \$10,000 at 3 percent for 13 months; \$20,000 at 4 percent for 25 months; \$20,000 at 5 percent for 37 months. Glenn and Donna Evans--\$25,000 at 5 percent for 37 months. Janice P. Miller--\$1,500 at 3 percent for 13 months. Motion passed 9-0.

2. Golf Carts. A motion was made by Fred, seconded by Joe, to revise PP27 to include leasing of space for golf carts. Motion passed 9-0.

Pam: How do we register golf carts?

Martha: #16 and #1 talk about that. Has anyone registered yet? Have cars and trucks been registered? We need to change PP28 to add cars, trucks and golf carts.

A motion was made by Joe, seconded by Fred, to revise PP28 to add cars, trucks and golf carts. Motion carried 9-0.

3. Bulletin Boards. A motion was made by Margo, seconded by Joe, to accept the revision of PP4. Motion passed 9-0.

4. PP29 Satellite Antenna Permit. A motion was made by Ken, seconded by Joe, to approve revisions to PP29 satellite antenna permit. Motion passed 9-0.

5. Marina Lease. A motion was made by Margo, seconded by Jim, to approve the new PP19 Use of Marina. Motion passed 9-0.

A motion was made by Ken, seconded by Fred, to approve dock rental agreement/lease.

Martha: We should ask for an e-mail address. Property owners can get a prorated monthly refund. They can pay quarterly but not monthly.

Ken: The pump is in the fish shack.

Pam: What happens when the pump disappears?

Martha: Ken, write a letter to renters in regards to the marina.

Motion was changed to read: Approve revisions to PP20 marina lease pending attorney review plus additions of e-mail, refunds, payments. Motion passed 9-0.

6. Dockmaster Duties. A motion was made by Ken, seconded by Joe, to approve revisions to PP21 Dockmaster Duties. Motion passed 9-0.

7. Boat Slip Refund. Doug Soles rented slip #53 and wants a refund of \$190.90. Under our new rules, a subtraction of \$57.28 would be made leaving a balance of \$133.66. A motion was made by Jim, seconded by Ken, to approve a refund to Doug Soles of \$133.66. Motion passed 9-0.

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Bocce helped Special Olympics prepare for their tournament. Trailer Estates was thanked in the Bradenton Herald.

Margo made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Opper, Secretary