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TRAILER ESTATES PARK & RECREATION DISTRICT WORKSHOP
SMALL HALL

December 8, 2008

Chairman Janet Jones called the meeting to order at 9:30 A.M.

Trustees present were Pam Cole, John Vander Molen, Margo Cushman, Joe Bigley, Peg Durham, Bruce Smith and Mary Lou McNulty. Absent: Joe Salerno.

AGENDA

Item Number One: Policy on Storage Lots by Janet Jones. There is a need to discuss PP 27 Recreational Vehicle, Boat & Trailer Storage Space Lease. She asked Martha Brauer, the Policy & Procedure Committee secretary to address the Board about the issue.

Martha Brauer said the lease was last amended in 2002. At that time there was a waiting list for storage spaces. The reason for the discussion today was because of a request by a resident for a second storage space. Much discussion followed with comments and suggestions by Pam Cole, Bruce Smith and John Vander Molen concerning Lease Rules # 3, # 6, and # 11. Martha Brauer suggested the Policy & Procedure Committee review the lease, making the revisions as suggested by the Board, and present for Board discussion and review at the 1/12/09 Workshop. Board concurred.

Item Number Two: Board Questionnaire by Janet Jones. Martha Brauer presenting for Janet Jones. This is more a Board Questionnaire, not a Treasurer's Questionnaire. This is to enable Board members to get some input from the homeowners in a systemic fashion. This questionnaire could be included with the required mailing of the financial report, thereby saving the Park additional mailing expense. Bruce Smith said the Future Planning Committee has been working hard on a survey and he would go to them first. Martha Brauer replied Future Planning is looking at long range planning and this is to be used for assessing for a one year budget plan. This is to help determine what level of the park assessment is desired by the homeowners. John Vander Molen commented that this questionnaire was ready to go and the Future Planning survey is not yet complete, had not been work shopped or approved by the Board at this time. He said this questionnaire may be partially duplicating the FP survey but it dealt primarily with the budget. He suggested the questionnaire, with a few minor changes, be presented at the 12/15/08 Board meeting, adopted and mailed out with the financial statement with a return date of 1/15/09. He said this questionnaire is a supplement and could be incorporated in the Future Planning survey.

Beverly Lew, 2008 Illinois: Without knowing the cost of the activities on the questionnaire no one can make an informed decision.

Flo Mallory, 6919 West Bayou: Expressed her concern over the ambiguity on the form, i.e. recycling, in-home internet, and pool guards.

Janet Jones replied supervision is needed at the pool especially during holidays.

Item Number Three: Reviewing Swimming Rules by Janet Jones. Martha Brauer presenting for Janet

Jones. Swimming rules adopted in 2003. No diapers of any kind was discussed at a Board meeting but never written into the Rules & Regulations formally although there is a sign posted at the pool stating no diapers of any kind. John Vander Molen thinks the "soap shower" rule should be changed to "shower". Bruce Smith questioned how you enforce the rules. He does not think taking away resident ID cards is the answer. Pam Cole thinks a pool supervisor checking ID cards should be employed all year. Martha Brauer suggested the Rules and Regulations and the enforcement issues go to the Policy & Procedures Committee for review. John Vander Molen will present motion to adopt the revised Rules & Regulations as Page 11 on Monday, 12/15/08.

John White 2209 Indiana: The Board would be assuming more responsibility with additional paid staff along with increased costs. Questioned if the minimum age is correct for Jacuzzi use. Asked if pool supervision could be done with volunteers.

Margo Cushman said the ID card system works well for Bingo.

John Vander Molen said the time commitment for supervising the pool had discouraged volunteer participation.

Bev Lew, 2008 Illinois: The diaper sign should read "children/adults". She perceives the problem with the pool as one of access which the Board should address. Also a copy of the pool rules should be given to people when they register at the office.

Item Number 4: Organizational Chart PP41 by Janet Jones. Presented by Martha Brauer. An old organizational chart was previously brought to a workshop by the PP Committee. The chart was revised based on the Board's suggestions. Bruce Smith commented on the layout of the Trustee responsibilities. Adjustments to be made. Pam Cole will make a motion to accept the chart on 12/15/08.

Flo Mallory, 6919 West Bayou: Questioned the purpose of the restructuring and asked where the property owners were in the decision making.

John Vander Molen replied this was putting on a sheet of paper the organization form, there is no change.

Bev Lew, 2008 Illinois: Said these policies were not in the minutes. Also asked why only she and Flo Mallory were being timed.

Martha Brauer said for clarification the organizational chart was discussed in the PP Committee meeting many, many weeks ago. The chart presented reflected the changes requested by the Board at a workshop. Also reflects the By-Laws since the old chart was not accurate. Property owners are at the top of the chart, they elect the Board and the Board has its members. The pool rules were discussed in February and noted in the minutes.

Bruce Smith said the PP for the Web committee was brought up at the last Web site meeting and they had failed to put in a mail box for items to go on the Web. He requested Martha to look into. Martha replied she would put on the agenda.

Item Number 5: No Soliciting in Park by Bruce Smith. There is a continuing problem with people trying to sell things in the Park. We have no control over the streets, they are County property, but someone on the Board should talk to the County about some no solicitation signs. The Board should consider putting some signs of Park Property.

Mary Lou McNulty replied the signs should go on the home.

Janet Jones said she had called Citizens Action about the problem. She was advised the Board could

pass a resolution about no solicitation and put the signs on the common ground.

Discussion followed. Martha Brauer volunteered to check on legality and possibly bring a policy and resolution to the Board on Monday.

Item Number 6: Control Pets in Park by Bruce Smith. He said there is an ongoing problem with pets. He offered two suggestions. (1) Have a Park tag. Dog owner would get a new tag every year after showing proper documentation i.e. shots, County tag, etc. The color of tag would change yearly. (2) Have a Park issued sticker in the window of the dog owner. This would signal to residents the dog was registered in office and residing in the Park legally.

Discussion followed.

Jim Angerame, 1614 Minnesota: Talked to a person in the County Commissioners office and was advised the Board could enhance the County animal regulations.

Discussion followed.

Bev Lew, 2008 Illinois: Has had an incident with a dog. Thinks the Board should be able to do something.

Janet Jones said 12/15/08 is the last Trustee meeting for the year. Requested Board members wear their Santa Hats. The organizational meeting will take place on 1/2/09 with the regular meeting on 1/5/09.

Pam Cole said the rumor she wanted to give up her job was not true.

John Vander Molen said Park laptop computers had been removed from the Park during every evacuation order.

Bruce Smith thanked the residents for the opportunity to serve and wished the new Board the very best.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Peg Durham, Secretary