

BOARD APPROVED AS CORRECTED 2/7/11
TRAILER ESTATES PARK & RECREATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
JANUARY 31, 2011
9:30 A.M.
SMALL HALL
1903 69TH AVENUE WEST
BRADENTON, FL 34281

The meeting was called to order at 9:35 a.m. by First Vice Chairman Gail Opper.

ROLL CALL: Margo Cushman, Fred Hoch, Debbie Hutchinson, Jim McIlveen, Gail Opper, Joe Salerno. Absent: Martha Brauer, Pam Cole, Harry Fitzpatrick.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dec. 20, 2010 Meeting: A motion was made by Margo, seconded by Joe, to accept the minutes. With no corrections, the motion passed, 6-0.

January 4, 2011 Organizational Meeting: A motion was made by Joe, seconded by Jim, to accept the minutes. With no corrections, the motion passed, 6-0.

January 4, 2011 Meeting: A motion was made by Joe, seconded by Margo, to accept the minutes. With no corrections, the motion passed, 6-0.

January 4, 2011 Workshop: A motion was made by Joe, seconded by Debbie, to accept the minutes. With no corrections, the motion passed, 6-0.

REPORT OF TREASURER—None, as Pam was absent.

APPROVAL OF BILLS—None, as Pam was absent.

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS FROM TRUSTEES

Joe: Spoke with the people at Asia Restaurant regarding a sign promoting our marina. He gave a copy of our American Way sign to them. They will take it to their landlord and see if they can get permission to put the sign on Bay Drive. Joe checked into renters to see if they have boat slips in our marina. None of them do. Joe announced that Cribbage will begin Feb. 15 at 9:30 a.m. Super Bowl tickets are \$7 and are available in the office. Vegas tickets will be sold at the Post Office to the night of the event. Joe and Bev went to Fort Myers to attend a talent showcase—an event for those who seek entertainers for their venues. Joe will try to book some of the acts he felt were very good.

Jim: There is a problem on Illinois. Jim will turn the problem over to Mark Yawberg. Jim contacted the owner four times to no avail. Their lawn care man was contacted but

Jim got nowhere with him. The gate on the storage yard was wide open Sunday. A man came to the gate with a truckload of things to dump. He is not a park resident and he left when Jim spoke with him. Every light in the laundry was on Sunday with no one in there.

Margo: The annual TE Memorial Service will take place Sunday, Feb. 6, at 1:30 p.m. in the Large Hall. There will be a Health Fair Feb. 17 from 9 a.m. to noon in the Large Hall.

Gail: The 2011 TE Directories are in the office. Cost: \$2 each. Tribune articles are due tomorrow. A sheet listing locations where AARP will handle free tax preparations for seniors will be posted in the office. A problem occurred last Friday at the Beach Pavilion when 25 members of the Sunsetters Club took over the pavilion when Bocce had the reservation. This will be discussed at the Workshop.

Fred: Ninety-seven palm trees have to be trimmed. Three bids were received with Suncoast posting the lowest bid at \$1,358. This is the same company that did the mangroves. ARC would like to have the county's Building Division talk to the people and would like it to be televised. Can Martha set this up? Randy Hix offered to help us with a sign advertising the marina.

Joe: I'd like to hold off on that sign until we can possibly put up a permanent sign.

Debbie: February 19 is the Coffee Break auction. Tickets will go on sale the week before. Debbie talked with residents about recycling recommendations. Older residents are afraid to go back into the recycling area. Debbie will check to see if there are places to put the recycling bins. Could clubs volunteer to empty the loading cart into the recycle bin? A roll off garbage can with lid is about \$20. Debbie checked Craig's List in regards to advertising our marina. There are rules to follow once you post your item. Debbie went over the setup of Craig's List and gave areas in which we could advertise. An ad should be updated often once placed there.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

Beautification: Jane Brillhart and Sue Rieckhoff have been recommended as members of the committee. Margo will bring a PP34 to the next meeting in this regard. The next meeting of the committee is Thursday, Feb. 3, at 1 p.m. in the Small Hall. They are working on beautification on the east side of the Large Hall. Other items: Higher stools in the restroom by the pool and the replacement of pottery receptacles.

ARC: Requests the county come in sometime in February to discuss permits.

RESIDENTS COMMENTS

Harry Splett, 2104 OH—Would like to introduce the idea of composting in TE.

Laura Wood, 6615 WA—Wonders if anyone has suggested we change our pool to salt water. Offered suggestions on booking reservations. Thought things at the Beach Pavilion went fine last Friday. Sunsetters asked Bocce people to join them.

Gail: Booking reservations is a complicated system. There is a white board plus calendar in Gail's office and then a reservations book. Getting that information to the residents would be difficult. Just come into the office and fill out a reservation form. In regards to the Beach Pavilion, Sunsetters did not have a reservation so it was not up to them to invite Bocce to join them. It was Bocce's reservation and the Sunsetters intruded.

Terry Sullivan, 1912 MN—Boats gather lots of barnacles down here and bottom painting needs to be done. At a cost of \$28-\$30 a foot, this is a total of between \$600 and \$700 a boat. Terry would much rather do the job himself. He feels the boat hoist is a great asset to the park. Not many are using it, but not many are using the marina, either. He hopes we can keep the hoist.

John Hall, 6513 Oregon—He has owned a boat slip in the marina for six or seven years. He believes the marina is important and we should keep the boat hoist. It is a great marketing tool.

(Martha arrived at 10:20 a.m.)

Ron Donovan, 2307 PA—He hopes we realize that we are in a low cycle and wants the Board to think what it was like 10 years ago when he waited a year to get a boat slip and two weeks to use the hoist.

Bob Fosdick, 2208 IL—Believes it is very important that we keep the hoist.

Joe: Are all of you boat owners? Answer: Yes.

Jim: Do you, (Terry), have the heaviest boat? How big is it? Answer: 6,000 pounds. Jim stated that each sling is rated at 8,000 pounds.

Closed Public Comment. Martha chairs the remainder of the meeting.

(Harry arrived at 10:30 a.m. and was sworn in as trustee by Martha.)

Fred asked Virg Reinig to come forward and report on the paving on Bay Drive and the problems at Florida Blvd.

Martha asked the Board if she could give her trustee report since she just arrived. The Board agreed: 1) The deficiencies in the boat hoist will be checked for no additional money beyond the \$1,000. 2) In regards to the registration difficulties of the boat auctioned years ago, our attorney received a phone call from Mr. Metz who said that if

we provide him with a bill of sale, all will be fine. Martha said she found two sets of minutes related to the auction.

Jim: Mr. Metz was the highest bidder in the auction. The Board gave him a certain length of time with which to move the boat. With that, Mr. Metz withdrew his bid.

The Board feels whatever we can do to fix this, we should do it. 3) Current payroll information was passed out by Martha in anticipation of the budget meetings. 4) There are no current contracts in the office for Hix or the Post Office.

The Board meeting was recessed at 11 a.m. for a presentation by the TE Fire Department. The Board meeting was reopened at 11:23 a.m.

5) In regards to the ARC meeting with the county, does ARC want information from the Board first and then from the county or vice versa? Should we look at Feb. 21 and set the time tentatively for 12:30 p.m.? 6) Deed restrictions will be March 21.

Joe: We should all have the recommendations from the committee.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Meeting Schedule. A motion was made by Martha, seconded by Joe, to revise the meeting schedule to set the third Monday meeting to be at 9:30 a.m. Motion passed, 8-0.

2. Administrative Volunteers. There are no volunteers yet for position of Dockmaster. Debbie stated some people feel there is too much work in that position. Martha said it looks like more work on paper than it really is. Fred said he will give the marina key for use in an emergency to Ron Donovan for the seven months Ron is here, and Fred will handle it the rest of the year. Fred will put this information in the Tribune and on Channel 95.

A motion was made by Martha, seconded by Joe, to approve the following administrative volunteers: Webmaster—Lonnie Stanley; Web Administrative—John Vander Molen; Kitchen Managers—Peg Durham and Reba Way. Motion passed, 8-0.

3. PP48 Surplus Property—Moved to the Feb. 7 agenda.

4. PP42 Reservations—Moved to the Feb. 7 agenda.

5. PP52 Agreement of Responsibilities—Moved to the Feb. 7 agenda.

6. Boat Hoist—A motion was made by Joe, seconded by Jim, to approve the inspection of the boat hoist by Crane & Equipment Consultants. Motion passed 7-1, with Gail voting “no.”

7. Attorney Jobs—Gail discussed her concerns that our present records do not afford accountability or accessibility in regards to jobs done by our attorneys. A motion was made by Gail, seconded by Harry, that all jobs assigned to attorneys for which debt will occur, with the exception of litigation matters, must first come before the Board for approval. Motion failed 2-6, with Debbie, Fred, Martha, Margo, Jim, and Joe voting against.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Copies of the Sunshine Law from Kirk Pinkerton are available in the office free for committee members. There is a charge of \$1.20 to the general public.

There will be no trash pickup tomorrow. Trash will be picked up on Thursdays from now until June 1.

Barb Durrin, 6417 WA—She said she loves both Martha and Gail and hates what two women have done to that relationship.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Opper, Secretary