

TLA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date/Place/Time:

March 14, 2016, Cranberry Pines Elementary School, 7:09 p.m. to 8:18 p.m.

Upcoming Meeting Dates:

April 11, 2016 7:00 p.m. at Cranberry Pines Elementary School

Board Members in Attendance:

Karin McDonald
Stacey Krastek
Leslie Cromie
Kate DiBenedetto

Residents:

Matt McGonigal
Chris Moore
Chris Brough
Bill Moritz
Charlene Dunn
Justin Higman

Call to Order:

Secretary's Report:

- February minutes approved and entered into record.
- Stacey will not be present at April board meeting. Karin to take notes in her absence.

Treasurer's Report:

Life Guard account:	\$ 2,642.71
Main checking account:	\$ 99,519.57
Lakes Accrual Fund:	\$ 119,232.89
General Improvement Accrual Fund:	\$ 50,402.00

- 380 Homes have paid association membership dues to date
- 102 Second invoices mailed, have until April 8th, 2016 to pay before late charges apply
- 2015 Year-End Financial Statement available (prepared by Padden Cooper LLC)
- Taxes owed this year : \$177.00 to IRS (on taxable interest of \$590.00)

Correspondence:

- Leslie received a thank you letter from one of the lifeguards regarding the season-end bonus.
- Leslie received a homeowner letter complaining about dues increases.
- Karin has received several more requests to continue paper Tidbits (five new requests from last month). We are now at 17 residents who would like to continue to receive a paper copy. She will ask Gail to keep running the notice for a few more months and will schedule a meeting with Gail and Leslie to discuss printing options going forward.

Homeowner Comments:

- Stacey and Karin started discussion about bereavement recognition for TLA members in light of Julie Smith's recent passing as well as to honor other TLA members.
- Karin will contact Gail about expressing condolences in Tidbits.
- Leslie stated that in the past we have sent food baskets from the board (after a board vote to approve) in some cases; however, we are not always made aware of all bereavement situations. We have stayed away from plaques on benches or in common areas because of vandalism.
- Karin suggested a Memorial Garden or planting a tree. We could include notice in the Tidbits asking residents to let us know if there is anyone they would like us to honor so we could ensure that we are being inclusive.
- Discussion tabled until next meeting; board members asked to continue to brainstorm and bring ideas with them.

Committee Reports:

Athletic:

- NTR

Beach:

- Chris has started looking into costs to replace picnic benches. There are many options available ranging from wood (\$160/bench) to PVC (\$800/bench). Repairs have been done to make them usable for this summer but we may want to budget this for 2017.
- BBQ grill is in need of cleaning and painting; add this to Spring Clean-Up list.
- Karin will talk with Earl about beach erosion issue to see if we can ask Mike Armbuster rent a bobcat to move sand prior to beach opening.
- In past years, lifeguards have raked sand and moved up buckets of sand daily to help maintain beach. Would like to add this to their list of responsibilities this year.
- Kate would like us to replace the NJ state rules sign on beach which has become worn to the point of being unreadable. We have ordered a new sign with TLA Beach rules.
- We would also like to order signs stating "Removal of trash/No Glass, No parking" to be placed on pavilion.
- Still no response to our Lifeguard Supervisor opening. Kate will touch base with Michelle and Mike McClane about a back-up plan should the position not be filled.
- Pavilion reservations will begin on April 1st. Karin recommended that Ashley review reservation policies, emphasizing no glass/trash removal with each resident upon reservation.
- Suggestion made that we switch to LED lighting in pavilion.

Children's:

- Easter Egg hunt was a huge success; largest turnout to date with over 90 residents.

Civic:

- Chris has received seven emails about pothole repairs that he will present to the township.
- Chris has made several attempts to speak with resident at 14 Knotty Oaks regarding clearing of green space area. In process of getting signage to post on property.

Directory and Membership:

- NTR

Hospitality:

- NTR

Property:

- Still in process of obtaining three landscaper bids.
- Zone 4 brush collection scheduled for weeks of April 25 and May 2nd.
- Spring Clean-up is scheduled for Sunday, April 24th at 1:00 p.m. Need to get a list of projects together.
- Several trail entrances need to be cut back for visibility.
- Need to follow-up with township on 8 Tallowood; property has been abandoned for some time and there is a fence in need of repair to enclose the pool.

Tidbits:

- Karin and Leslie to meet with Gail to discuss options for printing and mailing.
- Babysitter list is not included in electronic distribution; do we want to notify those on the list that they would need to place their own posting for services? List is also very dated.

Social:

- April 3rd Pub Crawl is sold out.

Water:

- Trees on dam have been cut down; however the equipment used tore up the spillway area. Need to contact First Class Tree Service about repairing damage.
- Geese remediation issue ongoing. Need to obtain colored flags as a deterrent in evenings and mornings

Website:

- Form for pavilion reservations will be available on-line for submission.
- Pavilion reservation calendar is being worked on so residents can see when there are available openings. Until then, Ashley will maintain a manual calendar.
- Looking into creating a TLA business calendar on-line.
- TLA has joined Twitter and our postings are linked so if we post in one forum (Twitter, FB or our TLA webpage) all three will update.
- Stacey received a mass mailing postcard for "Nextdoor Neighborhood" with a TLA access code. This is private social network for neighborhood news and forums. No one seems to know who initiated but we will clarify in the Tidbits that our only official communication forums are the TLA Twitter, FB and webpages so residents do not think that we are moderating any other forums.

Junior Board:

- Charlene Dunn and her son, Samuel, attended meeting and may be interested. They will attend our next few meetings to get more information.

Unfinished Business:

- NTR

New Business:

- NTR

Adjournment: