

TLA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date/Place/Time:

May 9th, 2016, 7:05 p.m. to 8:06 p.m.

Upcoming Meeting Dates:

June 13, 2016 TLA Pavilion

Board Members in Attendance:

Stacey Krastek
Lauren Kochan
Karin McDonald
Kate DiBenedetto
John Sweeny

Residents:

Lou Colon
Liam Majewski
Chris Moore
Charlene Dunn

Call to Order:

Secretary's Report:

- April minutes approved and entered into record.
- Meetings for next three months (June, July, and August) scheduled for TLA pavilion. At June meeting, will confirm dates for 2016/2017 to begin paperwork for Cranberry Pines reservations for next school year.

Treasurer's Report: (Captured via Leslie's email as Leslie was not present at meeting)

- Main checking account: \$ 99,398.35 (approximate; no May statement yet)
- Life Guard account: \$ 26,642.71
- Lakes Accrual Fund: \$ 86,332.27
- General Improvement Accrual Fund: \$ 50,444.02
- 458 Homes have paid association membership dues to date
 - Payment plan in place
 - Pending late payment
 - 50 homes currently unpaid (Non-Member status). Very high this year as we approach beach opening. (10 - 15 additional paying homes expected to pay)
- \$33,000 transferred into main checking for water committee 2016 budget from Lakes Accrual Fund
- \$24,000 transferred into Life guard account for 2016 lifeguard payroll
- 2015 Year-End Financial Statement available (prepared by Padden Cooper LLC)

Correspondence:

- NTR

Homeowner Comments:

- NTR

Committee Reports:

Athletic:

- NTR

Beach:

- Replaced all trash cans at lake. One was stolen and need to file a police report.
- Prices for portable toilets went up slightly from last year. Confirmed that we can proceed with order.
- Need to buy paint for BBQ grill. Recommend adding cost of new grill to 2017 budget.
- No responses to our advertisements for Lifeguard Supervisor so we will rotate our 2 or 3 senior guards and pay at a higher rate during the shifts that they supervise. Lauren asked for clarification on how this rotation will work and what the duties will be when working in supervisor role.
- Gutter on pavilion needs to be repaired/replaced.
- Ashley received a request for a pavilion rental exceeding the 50 guest limit. Board approved pending confirmation of exact number of guests. Need to notify Mike and Michelle McClane so they can arrange adequate lifeguard coverage for that day.
- One of the signs at lake entrance has graffiti on the back. Karin bought paint four years ago to cover graffiti on the trail markers that she gave to Earl. Chris will check with Earl if he still has paint that can be used.

Children's:

- Meeting held last week to generate more volunteers. We had a great turnout and now have hosts for all major events as well as volunteers assigned to each event committee.
- Children's committee will meet monthly; next meeting scheduled for June 1st at pavilion.

Civic:

- Chris submitted a service request to the township regarding the abandoned property at 8 Tallowood and pothole repairs throughout neighborhood. He plans to attend next council meeting to advance these requests.

Directory and Membership:

- NTR

Hospitality:

- NTR

Property:

- Earl selected a new landscaper, O'Brien's, to service us.
- Beach clean-up was a great success with much higher volunteer turnout than the past few summers.

Tidbits:

- Following four months of notification, we have identified 20 homeowners who would like to continue to receive a hard copy of the Tidbits. Karin provided Gail with a listing of those residents.
- Beginning July 1, 2016 propose distributing Tidbits via electronic distribution only during months of February, April, May, June, July, August, October, and December. The 20 homeowners mentioned above will also receive a hard copy through direct mail (Gail to address, label and mail monthly). Gail will also mail hard copies to 10 local realtors who distribute them to potential homeowners.
- During the months of March, September and November, Tidbits will be distributed both electronically as well as via hard copy paper format. These months were identified because of time sensitive content: March (seasonal updates/pavilion reservations), September (election), and November (budget).
- Gail contacted DPI about cost of printing and mailing service for the months of March, September, and November:
 - Qt-519 mail merge and take to post office \$125 (for 519 copies)
 - \$10 to put labels on plus postage (for 30 copies)
 - Postage extra, wouldn't know amount until after mail merge
- We can eliminate the annual bulk mailing permit fee and cost of bulk mailing for the remaining 8 months.
- As June 2016 will be the last issue before this change, the front page will have a ½ page dedicated to announcing this decision: Going forward Tidbits will be distributed electronically with the exception of the following months: March (seasonal/pavilion reservations), September (election) and November

(budget). During those months we will continue with hard copy distribution in addition to the electronic format.

- We will also change the verbiage on the Tidbits Guidelines.
- We will periodically check in with the 20 residents receiving paper copies to see if they still prefer this format; suggestion to do this in conjunction with dues mailing in January.
- In partnership with directory committee, look to revise our directory into a smaller format that could be mailed once a year during our March, September or November distribution.

Social:

- Beach opening plans are in progress. Will be sending out a volunteer sign-up shortly.

Water:

- Water committee met last week and Kevin Sparkman, Steve Vilaridi and Steve Weisberg will be co-chairing. This committee has the most urgent need for volunteer help.
- Spoke with ERI (engineers) regarding beach erosion issue. Our beach was designed to erode at the last level/tier. Following heavy rains, we need to reclaim the sand. This has not been done regularly which has led to the noticeable erosion and needs to be done more consistently this summer.
- We have submitted our plan to the state for our dam remediation. No further action needed until we hear back from them.
- Due to the warm winter, geese eggs hatched earlier than expected and before we had a chance to addle them. Flags will be used as a deterrent and will monitor to see if further action is needed.

Website:

- Created an on-line volunteer form which is generating some responses.
- Each month, we take verbiage from the Tidbits and reformat for social media and then schedule out a stream of updates during the month on FB and Twitter.

Junior Board:

- First meeting scheduled for June 6th (4:30-6:30) at pavilion.
- We have 4-5 youths who have expressed an interest so far.
- First meeting will include an interest inventory to identify what this group would like to focus on.
- If any committees are need of help appropriate to this age group, please contact Stacey.

New Business:

- Karin initiated discussion about a Memorial Garden dedicated to TLA residents who have passed away. Will speak with Kevin Sparkman about recommendations for types and costs of plants as well as a good location. Will revisit once we have this information
- Lauren has an updated contact list for Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts and NHS which can also be used for volunteer purposes.

Adjournment: