

Bella Vista Property Owners Association
Recreation Joint Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes for February 2016

Welcome/ Call to order

Tony Byars called the meeting to order at 4:00 at the Co Club

In attendance: Tony Byars, Debbie Sorensen, Kathy Butler, Judy Griffin, Mary Henning, Ron Jones, and Bill Puskas.

POA Board Liaison: John Nuttall and Josh Hart. Tom Judson from the Bella Vista POA was also in attendance.

POA Employees: Clem Morgan and Vern Olafson

Guests: Leroy and Ann Mallard

Minutes from prior meeting

Minutes from January 2016 were approved via Internet and sent to Genevieve Henderson in January along with the January amenity reports.

POA Committee Orientation

Tom Judson reviewed the POA Committee Orientation package and went over several important issues. Once reviewed he has asked us to each sign the last sheet in the package and return to his office. Please do this at your earliest convenience. Please return to Bella Vista POA , 98 Clubhouse Drive, Bella Vista, AR 72715 or scan and email to Genevieve Henderson at genevieveh@bvvpoa.com. Tom Judson reminded all of us that all committee meetings are open to the public and minutes are available on line.

New Business:

- The Recreation Committee voted on its officers in December. It was decided to wait until January of each year to vote on officers so that all committee members (new and old) have an opportunity to vote.
- General Manager and/or Chairman shall be the only two individuals to issue press releases about POA activities.
- The committee discussed a 'social media statement' and this was set aside to be discussed at a later date.
- The committee discussed the current list of amenities and assignments for each of them. Attached is the list of current amenities and who volunteered to represent them. The only one in question is London Park (Lake Windsor). Tom Judson agreed to get back with us to let us know if we are responsible for this amenity. We believe that all parks at Lakes are still in question and will be finalized soon by Tom Judson.
- Amenity assignment reports come to Debbie Sorensen (Secretary) by the Friday prior to the next monthly meeting. Areas to be covered on a monthly basis: Recent Improvements, Areas of Concern and Other Observations or Information.

Old Business:

Pickle Ball: Clem Morgan discussed the pickle ball courts at Metfield and the pending bids to work on them. We have one bid so far and expect one more. The plan is to work on the courts in late Spring - weather permitting. We have \$30,00 carried over from the 2015 budget for this work.

Guest Leroy Mallard spoke to the group about the number of pickle ball players they have on email - #60. He suggested we consider allowing them to use the two tennis courts for pickle ball while the pickle ball courts are being redone and then remove the tennis courts once the pickle ball courts are done. Clem said this is a problem since tennis players also use these courts. Leroy Mallard pointed out the website does not talk up the pickle ball courts and suggested this be changed once the courts are redone. We have no idea how much use the pickle ball courts get as they are not tracked. The tennis courts are tracked since there is a cost associated with their use.

Clem Morgan will have a final report on the pending bids in March, even if he has only one bid.

Ping Pong: Usage is less than was reported in January (at Riordan) and because of space requirements, time is limited for play. Because of these issues, Clem Morgan reported they would not be buying any new ping pong tables. The ones they have seem to be sufficient. Clem Morgan will get back with Mike Casida and Bob Davis on this request.

Riordan and Metfield Hours: We discussed the possibility of these two facilities being opened on Sunday. There is no money in the 2016 budget for the extra staff hours and both facilities are rented out periodically and would be shut down during these special rentals.

Riordan usage was down by 20% in January because of individuals going to Metfield.

Metfield: The snack bar will be open on February 22, 2016. The floor in the new workout area has to be replaced. Usage is up 44% from January 2015. There were 413 individuals using the exercise equipment in January.

Branchwood Trail: The new trail continues to be worked on at Branchwood and should be complete in mid May. Phase 2 and 3 will be discussed at the next recreation committee meeting. The idea of a community garden was discussed. There has been no offer of anyone or any organization stepping up to head up a community garden. This will be discussed at a future meeting.

Gun and Pistol Range: Vern Olafson reported numbers are down for January - Gun range 396 visits and Skeet at 220. Target stands will be replaced. POA still considering a building and options for an onsite ranger. Plans would be to have someone onsite Fri., Sat. and Sunday for 8 hours. The range will lose a ranger to the lakes once the weather warms up. The building was budgeted in 2015 and carried over to 2016.

Tanyard Creek: Water is down enough now to repair the damage from the latest storm. The parking lot has been full due to the popularity of the amenity and consideration is being given to open up the parking lot at Tanyard Creek Driving Range for overflow parking.

Dog Park: We recommend that the entire park be closed for the month of March to allow the completion of the required maintenance work. Once the maintenance work is done the park will be allowed to rest and reopen April 1st.

New Business:

Boating Safety Classes: Classes will be offered on April 30th from 9 to 5 at Riordan. These classes are for all individuals born after 1986 and are free. An exam will be administered at the end of the day to all in attendance.

Social Media Monitor: Judy Griffin offered to monitor the social media sights and report back to the committee.

Next meeting will be Monday, March 14 - 4:00 at The Country Club

Submitted by Debbie Sorensen
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