

Bella Vista Property Owners Association  
Recreation Joint Advisory Committee  
**Meeting Minutes for March 14, 2016**

**Welcome/ Call to order**

Jane Barfield called the meeting to order at 4:00 at the Co Club

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

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

POA Employees: Clem Morgan and Vern Olafson and Mike Taggart

Guests: Leroy Mallard, Jeff Siemers, Bill Allen

**Minutes from prior meeting:**

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

**POA Committee Orientation forms:** Were collected and handed into Tom Judson.

**Amenity Reports:**

	<b>Amenity</b>	<b>Committee Member</b>
1	Branchwood Complex .....	Debbie Sorensen- pool has new heater
2	Gun/Pistol Range .....	Ron Jones - all in order
3	RV Storage and Lake Ann Park .....	Tony Byars- (1)
4	Tennis Facility at Riordan and Riordan Hall Complex.....	Mary Henning - (2)
5	Loch Lomond Recreation Complex.....	Kathy Butler- not present (excused absence)
6	Tiree Park (Lake Loch Lomond) .....	Gary Griffin - (3)
7	RV Park and Blowing Springs Park.....	Judy Griffin - (4)
8	Tanyard Creek Nature Trail and Lake Avalon Park .....	Bill Puskas - (5)
9	Metfield Facility .....	Jane Barfield - (6)
10	London Park (Lake Windsor) .....	Needs to be assigned - (7)

1. Tony saw a boat not registered and was instructed to call 855-3771 if this happens again. This is the Ranger number and they will handle it.
2. Riordan tennis players are really pleased the tennis courts will be open 7 days a week. Large groups at Riordan are told in advance (if possible) if they are going to be bumped from facility or they are moved to a smaller area. Their leaders are told and they must then tell their group members. Large Fairs will always bump groups due to space situation. New manager is working out well.
3. Park in good shape. However, asphalt parking lot is damaged and is need of repair. Port a potty is cleaned once a week on Tuesdays. Scuffle Board is cracked and could use repair.
4. Judy Griffin wanted to confirm RV Part usage and Blowing Springs is for members only. Tent camping is available only in two spots at the RV park.
5. Bill Puskas reported the men's bathroom needs cleaning and women's needs to be painted.
6. Jane Barfield asked some members at the canteen and they were not impressed with the food. They have applied for a beer license and will apply for wine as well.
7. Judy Griffin offered to be assigned to London Park.

**Old Business:**

- **Pickle Ball Courts:** Clem Morgan reported on the estimates for the pickle ball courts. Three Courts will be worked on as of April 11 (weather permitting) at Metfield. The current courts will have 3" of asphalt and overlay and then restriped between April 11 - 15th. Tennis courts (Kingswood and Branchwood) will be

resurfaced. Metfield will eventually be torn down. New poles on the pickle ball courts will also be installed. This project uses up the \$30K the POA had set aside for this project and there is no more money in this year's budget to add more courts. In earlier discussions in the year, we discussed converting tennis courts to other pickle ball courts and this will not be done. Leroy Mallard (visitor) suggested adding one more court while work is being done. Estimated cost would be about \$30K and Clem Morgan agreed to get back on a closer estimate.

Leroy Mallard asked about coming up with the estimated \$30K outside of the POA and Tom Judson said it would have to go through the BV Foundation to be deductible. Debbie Sorensen questioned if one could donate to the BV Foundation and specify a specific usage for the money and still have it deductible.

Debbie Sorensen will check on this and report back to the committee.

Clem Morgan said that Branchwood might eventually have pickle ball courts as well.

- **Social Media:** Judy Griffin had nothing to report.
- **Branchwood Phase 2:** John Nettle reviewed the current status of Branchwood trails. They are almost complete. Showed the group a map of plans for phase 2 and asked us to come up with a list of priorities for phase 2. We have \$80K left to use toward phase 2. The committee agreed on the following priorities: Parking, Pavilion seating approximately 50, electricity for a stage area and benches. This was presented to the POA Board on March 17th.

We were told the estimated cost for a pavilion for 50 would run about \$30 to \$40K. We all agreed a parking lot would be a priority since the parking at Branchwood is really full during busy times of the day.

If we use Mike Taggart's employees (POA employees, we save about 40% but will not have a specific start and end date. We need to be flexible on their timing.

We were told there is no money set aside for landscaping at this time. The only landscaping in the current budget is for hydro seeding.

**\*\*The committee agreed to walk the trail sometime this month (on an individual basis) so we can discuss in more detail at the next meeting.**

- **Metfield:** Clem Morgan reported the exercise equipment will be moved this week into the new workout room. Dogwood room is then available for usage for exercise, cards and special events. Weekend rentals are expected.
- **Gun Range:** Vern Olafson reported the Ranger will now be available at the Gun Range F-S- and Sundays from 10:00-4:00 or 5:00. This will continue until the lakes get busy and the Rangers are needed on the Lakes. Good feedback from shooters on the condition of the range. \$22K has been set aside for the 'hut' at the gun range. The range will be closed from April 18th for two weeks. Cleaning and rehab work will be done (weather permitting). There are no plans to increase the current 8 pistol and 6 rifle stations at this time. There are no plans to add an archery range at this time.
- **Dog Park:** Currently closed for the month of March to clean and reseed. They may keep it closed of another month to get the grass to take hold and to do a more thorough job. Dog people seems to be fine

with the closing and continue to use the walk around the parking area with pets on leashes. Any decision to continue to close will be posted on the BV website.

- **Tanyard Creek:** Vern Olafson reported the park is very busy and parking is a real problem. Many people going to the park are not POA members but we cannot control this. No one is allowed to swim in the creek and anyone seeing this should report to the rangers. There is still some flood repair that is needed and will be addressed soon.

**New Business:** Debbie Sorensen addressed her concern about the repair work that has been done at the Highlands club house on the sidewalk. The two new sections that were replacement sections do not match the current sidewalk. Mike Taggart said his team had done the repair work and did not express concern about the quality of mismatched work that was done. This issue was addressed by Don at the POA (855-5013) following the Rec Committee meeting. The work was done with white cement as the aggregate that matched the rest of the walk had to be ordered in too large of a quantity to be useful and the walks were a trip hazard. The POA said they hoped to stain the cement to better match the aggregate once it cures.

Submitted by Debbie Sorensen 3/19/2016

**Next Meeting: April 11th at 4:00 at the Country Club**