

**Bella Vista Property Owners Association
Recreation Joint Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes**

Date May 14, 2015

Welcome/ Call to order

Bill Puskas called the meeting to order at 3:00 at Metfield pavilion. In attendance:
Jane Barfield, Tony Byars, Chuck Janzen, Ron Jones, Bill Puskas, Dan Slimp, Deb Sorensen.
Adm. Liaison: Clem Morgan and Vern Olafson.
POA Board Liaison: Charlie Teal **, Dave Barfield
Visitor: John Nuttall

**We would like to thank Charlie Teal for all of the good work he has done for the POA. This is his last meeting and we so appreciate his support and work for BV and the POA.

Minutes Review and Approved

The April minutes were passed out and approved.

Amenities Reports:

- Tennis courts at Riordan on 7 & 8 have a drainage problem.
- Pickle Ball courts are still a mess. After the meeting we all walked over to see the pickle ball courts and Clem said they will fix the cracks in the near future. We cannot promote pickle ball to encourage people to play. This is a very popular sport and could draw in people to BV.
- Tennis courts at Metfield have a bigger issue and cannot be used. Clem said they will try and repair 'in house' before paying someone else to do the work. Younger group would like to have 'free' courts. The courts do not generate any revenue now and will never be a money maker. No further discussion on this issue.
- Vern said Tanyard Creek looks great and is mostly complete. Trails can still use some work.
- Branchwood is still having some complaints about the racquetball courts but they are trying to work out the scheduling issues.
- London Landing had damage due to rain. (Lake Windsor)
- Several improvements have been made to the horseshoe pits at Avalon Park.
- April was a good month for the gun range. Looking for property for an archery range.
- Fly Tyers complained about the usage on the lakes by ineligible boats. Vern reported we have gone from 7 rangers to 2.7 so there is little that can be done to track down ineligible boaters.
- Parents would like to see the playground at Metfield provide shade like the pool area. The area gets very hot in the summer.
- We discussed the idea of a 'winter' rate' for golf for out of area golfers.

Branchwood Repurposing:

Charlie T said there have been several designs submitted and the group needs to come up with one design. They will focus on the walking path and the pond first and will look to do concrete VS asphalt on the walking trail since concrete will last much longer. They will also consider a large pavilion like the one at Metfield. Feel it would be used and a crowd pleaser. The pond will be filled in. Dave B said they may be able to get the dirt from the road work on 49 with the by-pass work being done. The fill is free according to Dave.

Running/Bike Event for Sept. or October: Clem is still working with Rush Running and they will not charge for their services. If we use chips in the shoes of runners, that cost will be covered in the entrance fee.

Other POA Events:

- Easter Egg Hunt had 450 kids + adults. Very successful. The inside activities were sold out due to limited space.
- Sports Swap- ok on attendance but it was a rainy day.
- Master Trail Meeting was well attended and most in attendance were pleased with the report. Debbie S handed out trail maps to those on the Rec. Committee who needed them.
- Sr. Expo had 850 in attendance. There was no cost to those in attendance.
- 3 Skill Challenge (Pitch, Putt and Drive) is coming up on 5/30. It will be held at Tanyard Creek. Following the event, there will be an evening for bands and food trucks. All events related to this event will be held at Tanyard Creek and NOT at Blowing Springs as first reported.
- June 13 there will be a Fishing Fiesta at Lake Avalon from 7:00-3:00. Free fishing weekend and they will also have some bands playing later in the day. There will also be a kids fishing tournament.
- Sept. 26th there will be an event in conjunction with Bikes Blues and BBQ.

Recreation Committee White Paper: The Recreation Committee is to do a White Paper on expanding amenity usage for the POA Board of Directors. Bill P has offered to start the process.

**Next Meeting will be held on June 8th at the Riordan Tennis Courts.
If raining, we will meet inside of Riordan.**

Submitted by Debbie Sorensen, Secretary
May 14, 2015

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