

Bella Vista Property Owners Association
Recreation Joint Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes

Date July 13, 2015

Welcome/ Call to order

Bill Puskas called the meeting to order at 3:00 at Branchwood Facility.

In attendance: Jane Barfield, Chuck Janzen, Ron Jones, Bill Puskas, Dan Slimp, Debbie Sorensen.

Adm. Liaison: Clem Morgan

POA Board Liaison: Dave Barfield, John Nuttall and Josh Hart

Visitor: Ashlee Napier

June 2015 Minutes Review and Approval

The June 2015 minutes were passed out and approved.

New Business

Rec. Committee White Paper : The POA Board, through Charlie Teal, had the Recreation Committee develop programs to expand recreation amenity usage. After direction from our POA Board Liaison, the Recreation Committee developed a white paper and forwarded that white paper to the POA Board. Ashlee had read it and commented on the issue of an 'updated website for the POA' suggestion and mentioned it will be up and running on 8/13. She is excited about it and feels everyone will be very pleased. It is very user friendly.

The committee agreed the POA needs to do a better job with mass communications, and we hope the new website helps. We suggested this website could be used to keep the residents up to date on what improvements have been done on an ongoing basis.

We discussed the issue of actual residents and were told there were 27,000 residents, 12,500 improved lot owners (those with a water meter), 36,000 total lots, and 24,000 unimproved lots.

Ashlee also said she is implementing an incentive program for POA members to use the new website.

Bill Puskas will be submitting a golf minority white paper to the POA on his own and will not have it attached to our committee's paper.

Budget Restrictions:

Clem Morgan said the POA budget will be the same for 2016 as it is in 2015. Even with the fee increases amounting to approximately \$500,000 for 2015 the work that needs to be done to 'maintain' the buildings etc. will consume these increases. Thus the budget will be the same. If Clem sees some outstanding issues that need to be financed, the money will come from somewhere else.

ADA work expenses have come from the sale of the fire station.

Clem needed to let the POA know immediately of his budget. The POA is working on the new budget currently.

Amenity Reports - Major Issues Only

Clem said he does a quarterly maintenance and project report on what has been accomplished. Our committee asked to be kept updated so we can communicate what has been accomplished. We all feel we are not kept in the loop. An example of this discussion has to do with the promise to resurface the tennis and pickle ball courts. This issue has been ongoing for months, and there have been no improvements done to date.

Metfield facility was discussed. John Nuttall explained how the POA membership offices will be moved to the kitchen area, and the exercise equipment (valued at \$50,000) will be moved to the largest room available. Jane Barfield was concerned about the 'extra' expense associated with the 2nd move of the equipment, and John explained it is minimal and will give more room to the exercise equipment. Finally the new snack bar will be moved to the smaller room. Jane Barfield showed concerned about the new women's restroom stalls and felt that the work was shoddy.

Branchwood Facility was discussed and Debbie Sorensen said the ADA improvements were okay, but she feels the work was sloppy and that the quality of the work is in question. The company who did it should come back and clean up the area and complete the job including tile work and removing tape etc. This is especially true in the Women's bathroom. The sauna in both bathrooms will not be ADA compliant. The men's sauna has been out of order for quite some time, and we were assured it will be fixed soon. The pool and whirlpool will be resurfaced later this month and out of use for approximately 1-2 weeks.

Gun Range was discussed.

Ron Jones said the Gun Range continues to be a really good facility and one that generates revenue. He again asked that the gun range facility allow for users to register on site and not have to go to Branchwood to do so.

Old Business:

Branchwood Repurposing Update: The POA has agreed on a plan, but they are having trouble finding a company to bid on it because of our location and the small size of the project. John Nuttall reviewed the plans and said that draining the water and back filling the pond with dirt will begin in a week or so. It will take some time to fill in. The committee members who helped with the initial Branchwood Repurposing project team may not have been aware their committee had been disbanded. John Nuttall promised to send out a tentative plan to our committee. This was done on 7/15/2015.

50th Anniversary Event Updates:

The Tanyard Creek event was very successful. Movie night went well.

Sylvia Green has been put in charge of the rest of the events for this year and they include: Sept. 5th - Tailgate event in conjunction with the first Razorback Game. November Santa Carnival over Thanksgiving weekend. November Tree Festival.

We discussed the potential running/biking event for October. Nothing has been finalized, and Clem said we will know final plans next month. The Rec. Committee is to help with this specific event, and members asked to be kept informed.

Next Meeting will be August 10th at Riordan Hall.

**Submitted by
Debbie Sorensen**