

Recreation Joint Advisory Committee

December 2016

Final

Tony Byars called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. at the Country Club

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

POA Employees: Tom Judson, Joan Glubczynski, and Kyndall Ardoin

POA Liaisons: Pat Laury

Visitors: None

Minutes from prior meeting:

Minutes from November 2016 were approved via Internet and sent to Kyndall Ardoin.

Visitors:

None

Amenity Reports:

- **Branchwood**- Need paper towel dispenser fixed in men's locker room.
- **Riordan Hall and Tennis Complex**- Tennis going well and players are very happy. Joan Glubczynski came and talked with Line Dancers about the new fee structure.
- **Riordan Hall** - Bias Bowling is an amenity in place and quite popular. It is on the calendar and held every Tuesday at 11:00.
- **Community Garden**- Judy Griffin reported there were approximately 25+ emails sent to her on the interest of the community gardens. If enough people show interest, we could consider our own BV gardens in 2018. For now, we will work with Mercy and their gardens in 2017. Judy Griffin will head this project up.
- **Tiree Park**- Lot resurfacing to be done in 2017.
- **Blowing Springs**- Biking event went well. There were 3 primitive tent sites used. Eventually these sites will have fire rings for the campers to use. Charge is \$11.00 per day. There are plans to upgrade the bathrooms at Blowing Springs and winterize the showers.
- **Metfield** -Skills Park for bikes area at Metfield is under construction and moving along quickly. It is currently 1/2 completed and usable at this time.

Staff Reports:

- **POA Budget**- Tom Judson reported the **Bocce Ball courts** (estimated costs \$5,000) , **Sand Beach area** (estimated cost \$125,00) and the **East side Doggie Park** (estimated costs \$25,000) were on hold for future consideration. There is not enough space for both the Skills Park and the Doggie Park at Metfield, and Tom Judson said the Doggie Park location would best be located at Lake Ann location if it is ever built. **Branchwood expansion** did make it into the budget for 2017. **Play ground equipment upgrade** did not make it into the 2017 budget. Although they need ADA improvements, we are doing enough other ADA work to put these on the back burner for now. Budget will be presented to the POA board on December 15, 2017 and voted on within a few days. \$1.3 million dollars of capital improvement projects were removed from the budget because the assessment increase was not approved.

- **Annual Memberships** -Tom Judson mentioned the concept of offering a 50% discount to any members who buy more than one annual membership to Golf, Tennis, Pool, or Fitness. We have only had 3 % of all residents buy a second annual membership for one of the major amenities . This amounts to 29 residents.
- **Water Department** - Has had a good year and considering a \$20 rebate to all customers. There will not be any increase in rates for 2017.
- **Another assessment vote in the future**-We discussed the issue of another assessment vote in the future and if approved, would our fees ever decrease? This topic was not concluded.
- **Lake Point and Country Club updates** - Country Club hopes to open in July 2017. Lake Point will be ready for the first wedding scheduled in May 2017. We now have 20 events booked for Lake Point in 2017.
- **Pricing of recreation facilities for 2017**-Joan Glubczynski reported Bella Vista has moved to the same pricing at ALL locations for fitness facilities. Many of the classes will have a cost associated to them to participate and if there is a cost, it will be \$3.00 per class. \$30 punch cards will be sold for 2017. **Silver Sneakers and Silver and Fit** will again allow access to the three workout facilities at no charge, but some of the exercise classes may be excluded from a 'free' basis to a paid basis. This will be explained at each of the facilities.
- **Bias Bowling** (similar to Bocce Ball) is currently played at Riordan and will be promoted more in the future since the Bocce Ball courts at Branchwood did not make the budget for 2017.

New Business:

- Debbie Sorensen discussed the idea of a Welcome Club Coffee. This event would be held on a quarterly basis and offered to all new residents in the past six months. This event will be held at Riordan in March and June and then transfer to Country Club once the facility is completed. The group liked the concept of this event and Debbie Sorensen will return to the group once plans are firmer in place. Jane Barfield and Val Coulter offered to help Debbie Sorensen with the planning of this event. Debbie Sorensen will bring more information to the January meeting.

Ron Jones has volunteered to represent the committee at the POA Board meeting on 11/17/2106.

- **NEXT MEETING - January 9, 2017 at 4:00. Country Club**

Submitted by Debbie Sorensen

December 17, 2016