

## **POA Recreation Joint Advisory Committee**

### **Final**

Gary Griffin called the meeting to order at 4:00 at the Country Club.

In attendance: Gary Griffin, Debbie Sorensen, Jane Barfield, Mary Henning, Bill Puskas, Val Coulter

POA employees: Tom Judson, Joan Glubczynski, Rick Echols, Leia Bush, John Urguhart, Judy Griffin

POA Liaisons: Pat Laury

Guests: Jerry and Becky Hover

#### **Minutes from prior meeting:**

Minutes from April 2018 were approved via internet and sent to Leia Bush.

#### **Amenity Reports**

- Branchwood–Building closes May 29th and construction expected to take 16 weeks. If they go beyond the 16 weeks, penalty will be paid. New play ground equipment will be added to the outside and the Frisbee golf will be done for summer use.
- Riordan - Very busy this time of year. There is a need for a new trash container outside main door. Tennis was slow in April due to cold weather. 60-70% of tennis players are from outside of Bella Vista.
- Tiree Park - Very busy with boat traffic.
- RV Park and Blowing Springs- Still working on the bathrooms at Blowing Springs. The RV park is sold out most weekends.
- Tanyard Creek- All looks good.
- Lake Avalon Beach area- all looks good and will open Memorial weekend.
- Metfield - All looks good. Deck on pool look good and restroom counters have been replaced. Pickle Ball courts are getting pitted. Joan will check them out.

**POA meeting for May 24th** - Debbie Sorensen will represent the group.

#### **POA Staff Reports**

- **Tom Judson** reported **Scotsdale** had to be closed due to damage on the greens. Coldest April in history and greens were damaged. Plus BV need to use new covers for the green and use black one. They absorb the sun and will work better.

Tuesday, they will start work on the #12 green. It will be closed until approximately Sept. 1st.

**Annual meeting** is tomorrow night at Riordan. Good results for the financials and all posted on the POA website.

There will be no **assessment increase** requested in the near future. Lots of negative thoughts currently so will hold off this year. Even with the negative thoughts, Mary Henning mentions how much the golfers help in BV on a voluntary basis and how important their help is.

Tom mentioned how important the **Berksdale land** is and how it could be a good park area for Bella Vista.

- **Rick Echols** reported the covered docks (for fishing) are completed. They have sealed **Avalon fishing dock** (25 year warranty) plus have new mooring posts. More Lake Rangers are currently in training and will be used this summer. Spraying for lake algae will begin soon. There will be a fishing derby in May. The derby will be called Fishing for Kids. Adults do not need licenses IF they do not fish. The kids will not have to have them as well.

- **Gun Range and Trap and Skeet Range**- Best April ever. June will have an Enhanced Concealed Carry Class.

- **Joan Glubczynski** - Branchwood will have tours the 2nd Wed. of each month at 4:00. **Disk Golf** - hopefully up and running early June.

**Beach Area at Lake Avalon** - there will be new children's gym equipment installed soon. Plus fitness paddleboard classes. 1st class is already sold out. Beach opens 5/26. Water testing has all been fine.

There will be some repairs on the tennis courts. There is a 'hitting wall' in the back of the courts. This area will be painted and a pickle ball court will be added to the areas as well. There will be a 'fee' for using the paddle ball area at Riordan. They can reserve the court once it is complete.

The **paddleball courts** at Branchwood will be relined with brighter paint lines.

Metfield Park bathroom walls are not finished as well so there is currently a Port A Potty.

Arkansas Naturalists are working at Blowing Springs to clear the area and clean it up.

There will be new **Glamping Pods** (small self contained cabins) at Blowing Springs beginning in 2019. We will do one for a test run. They will be found at the end of the RV Park.

**Blowing Springs** is upgrading the Wi-Fi, especially at the back of the park. Outdoor showers we will available 6-7 months each year. There will be a staff bathroom added to the office area and the office will be updated and add some retail merchandise. The **BV Webmaster** moved and will be doing some work for BV on a contract basis.

#### **New Business**

- The group discussed the Inside BV Magazine and how pleased we all are with the quality. Airport, Bentonville and Fayetteville visitors centers have a hard time keeping them stocked. All property owners in Washington, Benton and McDonald county receive copies. Focus is on the 'region'. There is a calendar in the back of the magazine - last 5 pages.
- The City of BV did a traffic count at Branchwood from 5-3 to 5-19 and had 1500 cars per week. 214 vehicles per day on average.
- Arts Council will hold a Concert on July 3 at Loch Lomond Dam area at 6:00. Three bands with food trucks and BYO for beverages.

**The next meeting will be at 4 PM Monday, June 11, 2018 at the Country Club**

Meeting was adjourned at 5:15PM.

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