

APPROVED AS WRITTEN, APRIL 4, 2022
TRAILER ESTATES PARK & RECREATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
MARCH 21, 2021
9:30 A.M.
MARK'S HALL
1903 69TH AVENUE WEST
BRADENTON, FL 34207

The meeting was called to order by Duane Trotter at 9:34 a.m.

ROLL CALL: Lori Dalton, Kathy Gregory, Louis Nickels, Pete Price, Sandy Simonich and Duane Trotter present. Mary Chandler and Russell McAlister were absent.

RESIDENTS COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS:

Harry Splett, 2104 OH – He complimented Mary on her presentation of the budget and thanked the Trustee volunteers. He detailed his background and then stated he stopped the seawall repairs in 2016 and he recommends a roof over to protect it from rain and rust. He stated he is the one that recommended solar heaters at the pool. He stated there was no income shown for our mowing and maintaining Manatee County property. He also asked for a detail of the Marina income and expenses to determine if we should maybe sell the Marina. He claimed the fish station is in good shape. He stated we already have 3 managers and asked if the new Park Manager would manage the managers? He opposes the pool deck expansion recommending residents sunbathe in their own yards. He recommends we scrub the sea wall repair and keep the \$300,000 currently set aside for future dredging.

John Good, 6913 Marlin Ln. – He feels we need more investigation on the marina seawall and wants more detailed information. He asked if information is available to the public. He asked if there was a way to fix it with more heads?

Karen Baker, 2204 MN – She voiced concerns where the placement of the SE Guide Dog statue. She is concerned it will give the false impression that dogs are welcome in TE. She also asked about the status of new resident directories.

Terri Galvin, 1608 NY – She congratulated and praised the Men's Bible Study for all of the work done for SE Guide Dogs. She stated there was not an official vote by the board for acceptance and placement of the statue. She voiced concerns that the donation takes funds away from SE Guide Dog's budget. She then stated

it resembles playground equipment and would send a false message to non-residents.

Ruth Coppens, 6823 MA – She stated the Auxiliary is currently in limbo. She indicated sales continue to be average despite all of the recent yard sales in the park. She did state if you can't sell an item, maybe it needs to be discarded. She also stated tires were dropped off and they must pay to have them removed. She indicated that the Auxiliary would like to continue their fund raising in the park. She then distributed information and spoke about the Certified District Manager Program that exists.

Joe Carey, 1803 WI – He thanked the board and maintenance department. He stated communication is important. He recommended placing matters in the Tribune in a special location. He recommended making announcements at the Saturday Night Dances. He recommended rather than installing ADA doors at the SW entry to the large hall, simply move the parking spaces to the north end of the parking lot near the existing automatic ADA door.

Carole Durand, 6604 NJ – She likes the SE Guide Dog statue and looks at it as a great honor. She feels it should be placed in a predominant location in the park. She then detailed a personal experience her brother had parking an RV on Park Lane and recommends we use TEN as an alternative.

Rod Smith, 6522 WA – He asked why we are so concerned about a concrete dog? He stated we should be more concerned about unregistered dogs in the park.

Judy Babiarz, 1905 MN – She has an issue with the pet problem and thinks we should just let them be. She stated we should be addressing the cleaning up after them.

Closed Public Comments

Responses to Public Comment

Pete – He detailed how several SE Guide Dogs go to veterans each year and feels the placement near the Veteran's Memorial seems appropriate. He hopes the prominent placement will encourage more conversation about SE Guide Dogs valuable work.

Duane – He stated we were unable to get a dog with the "flag" vest. He has not had time to look into repainting the vest; but, he agrees with Pete on the placement.

Lori – She detailed how behind articles in the Tribune would be in relation to active meetings. She then detailed her concerns about moving the parking spaces and forcing handicapped individuals to park at the north end of the parking lot to

access the south end of the large hall or the small hall. She stated the dog issues are part of the Deed Restrictions and therefore, must be enforced until Deed Restrictions are changed. Later, she stated she has authorized a new Telephone Directory, however, there are other issues taking priority; but, that she will look into it.

Louis – He discussed the Park Lane rules and how they will be reviewed at our next workshop. He also stated that several residents contacted him about the RV and dog issue. He also stated he spoke to more RV folks that just Carole's brother. He stated we all need to follow the rules and it puts everyone in a bad spot when we don't. He supports the dog statue and stated he is working to address unregistered dogs.

Duane – He stated the seawall is 66 years old and has submerged cracks and you can see it caving in. He stated 2 companies gave the same recommendation that it needs to be replaced. He stated the fish station looks ok; however, the supporting pylons are rotting and the whole station rocks as you move on it. He stated he has only had one person speak against the pool deck expansion while he has had 50-60 showing support and excitement about it. He stated when we renew our lease with the county he will be working to reduce the amount to offset the cost of maintaining it.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Sandy made a motion to approve the Regular Business Meeting Minutes of March 7, 2022, seconded by Kathy. The minutes were approved as written 6/0. Louis made a motion to approve the Workshop Meeting Minutes of March 7, 2022, seconded by Pete. The minutes were approved as written 6/0.

REPORT OF TREASURER

Checking: \$ 31,595.15

Investment account: \$ 1,367,862.65

Duane presented the Treasurer's Report. Lori made a motion to approve the Report of the Treasurer, seconded by Louis. The motion was approved 6/0.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Duane made a motion to pay the Blalock Walters' bill for \$2,396 for services regarding the acquisition of the fire station. The motion was seconded by Kathy. The motion passed 6/0.

Duane made a motion to pay the Blalock Walters' bill for \$598 for services regarding 1611 MI. The motion was seconded by Lori. The motion passed 6/0.

STAFF OR ATTORNEY COMMENTS:

None.

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS FROM TRUSTEE

- 1) Kathy – She detailed her recent dances and thanked the clubs that worked the doors. She detailed the Vegas Night meeting and cannot move forward until the attorney clarifies if it can be a trustee function. She detailed this Thursday's Showtime. She asked for volunteers to cover the doors in late April. She stated the last Showtime will be March 31, 2022. She also detailed a mini concert scheduled on April 8, 2022 from 3:30 – 4:30.
- 2) Sandy – She detailed the success of the Blood Mobile on March 17. She asked residents to notify her of folks who are in a nursing home or in the hospital that would want to receive cards.
- 3) Pete – He detailed the last Coffee Break and thanked the volunteers. He stated the next Coffee Break would have the Sheriff presenting ways to make our places safer.
- 4) Louis – He stated he is working on unregistered dogs and residents are filing complaints. He recently put some dog owners on notice. He indicated he spoke with Manatee County Animal Control and they still address nuisance complaints on registered animals. He stated they need two complaints for the same incident.
- 5) Lori – She detailed accepting reservations and needing a PP39 or by-laws/officers. She thanked those who submitted early and stated she is still looking for reservations from Decorative Painting, Pottery Class and Wii Bowling. She also stated she needs a PP39 for Men's Poker. She then detailed the flash drive project. The board supported Lori moving forward with Dottie to obtain 300 personalized flash drives after Dottie returns from vacation.
- 6) Duane/Maintenance – He stated the Woodshop will pay half of the cost of the FOB installation. Duane will bring this motion back at the next board meeting. He stated Big Fish is installing cameras at the storage lot and marina. He stated the Storage Lot Manager will start calling folks and working to eliminate the long waiting list. He stated when a club sends an email for 732 they should get a notice of receipt. He then discussed the ADA doors and the limited access to service reps and parts.

- 7) Duane/Chairman – He detailed the upcoming Town Hall meeting on April 4, 2022 in Mark’s Hall from 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. to discuss the Park Manager or a Management Firm.

REPORT FROM STANDING COMMITTEE

Sandy Stevens, 1804 MN, Beautification Committee – She stated all members have resigned due to concerns about their inability to follow the Sunshine Laws. She stated the checking balance is \$7,566.41 and she requested the board still support the \$5,300 set aside for lights around the TE sign, spa deck and pool furniture and a new shed at the horseshoe pits. She stated the former committee members have created a Beautification Club and would continue to keep up the Rose Garden and the Bricks. She stated the club could seamlessly take over the committee’s functions, just eliminate the sunshine law issues. She stated they could run Bingo with few changes. They could put out a donation bucket for Mothers Helping Mothers and present them the funds at the end of each season. She stated the club could run the kitchen the same as it has been. Duane asked her if the committee had taken into account all that they might lose and she said yes. He then questioned the shed at the Horseshoe Pits and was told that would be discussed later. Lori offered how to fix Sunshine Law violations that occur by mistake. Lori also voiced concerns about the legality of a club running Bingo. Sandy stated she knows the club will need to pay maintenance for setup, etc. She reiterated her desire for a smooth transition. Duane stated he will look into it.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Beautification Committee Charge – PP8 (Dalton) – Lori made a motion “To approve the Beautification Committee Charge, PP8 to include verbiage for \$500 pre-approved spending, \$2,000 boutique inventory restock and change “G” to replace TJ with Office Manager as discussed at the January 3, 2022, January 17, 2022 and February 28, 2022 workshops.” The motion was seconded by Louis. A discussion followed. The motion passed 6/0.

Community Channel Manager – PP9B (Dalton) – Lori made a motion “To approve the changes to the Community Channel Manager Duties – PP9B as discussed at the workshop on February 28, 2022.” The motion was seconded by Louis. The motion passed 6/0.

Community Channel Policy – PP14A (Dalton) - Lori made a motion “To approve the changes to the Community Channel Policy – PP14A as discussed at the Workshop Meeting on February 28, 2022 and March 7, 2022.” The motion was seconded by Pete. The motion passed 6/0.

Storage Lot Manager – PP9C (Dalton) – Lori made a motion “To approve the creation of a Storage Lot Manager – PP9C as discussed at workshops on February 7, 2022 and February 28, 2022.” The motion was seconded by Kathy. The motion passed 6/0.

Storage Lot Lease – PP23 (Dalton) – Lori made a motion “To approve the re-write of the Storage Lot Lease – PP23 as discussed at the workshop on March 7, 2022.” The motion was seconded by Sandy. A discussion followed. Duane asked for the last sentence of 9f. be deleted. The motion passed 6/0.

Verification Form for Storage Lot Rental – PP25A (Dalton) – Lori made a motion “To approve the creation of a Verification Form for Storage Lot Rental – PP25A as discussed as discussed at the Workshops on February 28, 2022 and March 7, 2022.” The motion was seconded by Kathy. The motion passes 6/0.

Storage Lot Rates – PP21A (Dalton) – Lori made a motion “To approve the creation of a separate Storage Lot Rates - PP21A as discussed at the Board Meeting on February 28, 2022 and the Workshop on March 7, 2022.” The motion was seconded by Pete. A discussion followed. Duane presented a revised rate sheet with the costs representing the new per foot rates. The motion passed 6/0.

Obtain Financing for Seawall and Other Seawall Capital Improvements (Chandler) – In Mary’s absence, Lori made a motion to “Enter into a contract with Public Resources to represent the district in the acquisition of financing to make the needed repair to the marina seawall and other capital improvements.” The motion was seconded by Louis. A discussion followed. The motion passed 6/0.

REPORTS FROM CLUBS & ORGANIZATION.

Joe Carey, 1803 WI, Pickleball – He stated they have a new slate of officers and thanked the board for their help. He stated he asked for volunteers for the dances and 20 people signed up.

Archie Canterbury, 6802 MA, Horseshoe Club – He detailed our Horseshoe Pits stating they are the best in Manatee County. He stated they have started Corn Hole at the pits and they need storage space for the boards. He presented information on the plans for a storage shed. He stated the Beautification Committee indicated they could fund the shed purchase. Sandy Spence tried to clarify the Beautification Committee funds. Duane stated this project would be on hold until the April 4, 2022 workshop and he asked for a detailed checking account balance for the Beautification Committee.

Sandy Steven, 1804 MN, Beautification Club – She stated they would be having their first meeting on March 23 and 1:30 in Mark’s Hall. Lori indicated there might be an issue with the location since reservations require a week’s notice.

Terry Allenburger, 6810 MA – Cooks Night Out (CNO) – She stated the CNO activities are ramping up with the first dinner April 7th at 5:00 and continuing monthly through October. She said they are all volunteers and are looking for volunteers. She also stated they will be declining last minute ticket sales.

John Good, 6913 Marlin Ln., TE Homeowners Club – He stated their next meeting would be April 5 at 7:00 and invited residents to attend.

Dottie Deerwester, 1804 OH, Computer Club – She stated they have a new Vice President, Denise Beauchamp and a new Treasurer, Larry Gaudreau. She stated their last meeting this season would be April 13 at 10:00 with training at 10:30. Meetings will resume in December.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 11:21 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Dalton, Secretary