

Hethwood Foundation Board of Directors
Quarterly Board Meeting Minutes-Approved
April 16th, 2018 @ 12 noon in the Huntsman Clubhouse

The following Hethwood Board members were present: Janet Riddlebarger, Donna Gresh, Melinda Dunford, Alice Allen, Richard Hirsh. New Hethwood Director-Jonathan Steele and Carol Schafer-Powers were also present from the Hethwood Foundation. Three residents from the neighborhood were also present.

I. Opening Remarks

Donna opened the meeting @ 12:05pm and welcomed everyone and introduced the new Hethwood Director- Jonathan Steele. He has been with HHHunt & Foxridge for four years and has a lot of knowledge in recreation, fitness and coaching. We are excited to have him and begin his certifications.

II. Public Comment

Mission Hills residents-Mr. & Mrs. Pilot approached the Board for approval for (metal/jewelry smithing) business in their home. They will have no traffic, no large mail deliveries and no advertising. They will obtain a business license with the Town of Blacksburg. Donna made a motion to allow for the business to operate as requested. Melinda seconded the motion and all approved.

Ms. Midkiff spoke about several items she said on behalf of Haymarket Square Board members, residents and owners.

1. Request for playground at end of Tall Oaks/Wakefield open area- She said she had asked before, and at the time there was no money in the budget.
2. Request that the pool stay open longer-10am to 10pm
3. Request the one or both pools be heated to allow more frequent use of pools.

She mentioned Shawnee outdoor heated pool-with waiting line of seven years. This may provide a competitive advantage. She requested a plan, budget or time line to resolve the two issues.

Donna asked if Ms. Midkiff received the response to her letter from Josh addressing the items. She did. Donna repeated the cost of initially heating the pool at about \$113,000. Shawnee was built heated. The Huntsman pool at 280,000 gallons is much bigger & would have to be retro-fitted; harder to heat due to size. We would need reels, large blankets/covers. Covers would need to be replaced every 5 years, and what to do about space on the deck for the large covers. Lifeguards may not be capable of handling heavy large covers. We would have over \$20,000 (yearly) in operational expenses. The pool does not have in-pool lighting and therefore we cannot operate the pool safely past approximately 8pm. We just have not found a financially feasible solution. Ms. Midkiff asked if HHHunt will pay for it? Janet stated No, they will not. It is not financially feasible for HHHunt & Foxridge or the Foundation. Janet stated that they are paying for the new amenity center. The driving force behind that, was the need for a new fitness center and more socializing spaces. The homeowners will have access. Richard mentioned that we have revisited and addressed this topic for over 10 years and looking at various solutions from solar to gas, we must maintain what we currently have. We will look at options in the future as appropriate.

Carol read a letter from a resident Ms. Leer concerning use of greenway area near Heritage Lane regarding drone racing. This results in hours of a high pitched noise and may also be unsafe for children, pets & adults close by, if the drone were to fly out of the intended path. She asked that we consider banning the racing/flying of drones in public spaces of Hethwood, Foxridge and Stroubles Mill open spaces.

Donna, mentioned that drones are governed by the FAA. The Town of Blacksburg does not have restrictions. You have to be more than five miles from an airport to fly. How to enforce? We could call an attorney and check with CAI. We may be able to put together a policy and some signs?

III. Approval of the Minutes of the Last Meeting (January 2018)

A. A motion to approve the January 16, 2018 Quarterly Board Meeting Minutes as emailed, was made by Janet and was seconded by Melinda. All approved.

IV. Recreation Report

Carol reviewed the highlights of the Recreation Report.

V. Approval of Financial Reports (January 2018)

Donna reviewed the Cash Flow page. Most money has been spent, but doesn't show up yet to due to invoice timing. We are otherwise on track. Insurance is budgeted quarterly, not monthly, and will even up at end of the year. A motion to approve was made by Richard and seconded by Janet. All approved.

VI. Director's Report

A. Update on Capital Projects

- a. Huntsman Clubhouse Renovations-The upstairs is done. Wall paper, blinds, and carpeting, removed with windows tinted and new flooring installed. The furniture, rugs, and newer appliances were moved from the Briarwood to the Huntsman. Downstairs remodel is underway-bathrooms and pool room.
- b. Huntsman Pool- The expansion joint was replaced 2 weeks ago-delayed due to snow but is up and running now.
- c. Hethwood Bark Park- Has been started. Installation of timbers and some of fixtures/toys are in. The asphalt and drainage work is yet to be completed.
- d. Briarwood Amenity Center-Janet said we have submitted civil design package to the Town and should hear back around the 27 for approval or more comments. Architectural package was submitted and we hope to hear back around the 31st. We hope to have demolition permits by the 1st and we hope will start right after graduation. The ground lease is under review between Hethwood and a new organization formed called Foxridge Amenity. Janet will email out when ready for review. We are still pushing to open August or September 2019. The pool will be out two seasons. The actual building design has changed some to make it more affordable -less stone, and windows (upper) on two sides rather than four. Town concerns are addressed in questions or comments and they must be addressed or more questions and comments. We will really have to push to stay on schedule for September 2019 amenity center opening.
- e. Community Signs-Melinda passed around two drawings for the entrances at Prices Fork and Heather Dr. and also Prices Fork and Hethwood Blvd. The landscape plan should be coming soon and we anticipate installation to start in the spring.

B. 2018 Pool Discussion

(Please refer to public comment above)

VII. New Business

A. Resident requested drone flight restrictions in Hethwood common area.
(Please refer to public comment above)

VIII. Adjournment @ 12:55pm