

Hethwood Foundation
Quarterly Board Meeting Minutes
July 18th 2016 @ 12 noon in the Huntsman Clubhouse

The following Hethwood Board members were present: Donna Gresh, Melinda Dunford, Bill Sanders, Alice Allen, Richard Hirsh & Bruce Harper & John Burke. Josh Sharitz and Carol Schafer-Powers were also present from the Hethwood Foundation. Todd Solberg was present from Stroubles Mill.

I. Opening Remarks

Donna opened the meeting @ 12:05pm and welcomed everyone.

II. Public Comment

Todd Solberg thanked Hethwood for enjoyable Sr. Lunches and expressed some other desires; such as missing the willow trees that used to be between Foxridge and his yard. He asked to consider a Hunt Arboretum, perhaps islands of landscaping. He'd like to see usage of clubhouses. Also can directors use it for free? It was discussed and decided to count the number of times the clubhouses were used each month. It was also discussed that Board members could use the clubhouses for free.

III. Approval of Minutes of Board Meeting (April 18th 2016)

A motion to approve the April 18th, 2016 Board meeting minutes as emailed, was made by Bruce and was seconded by Melinda. All approved.

IV. Recreation Report

Carol reviewed the highlights of the recreation report.

V. Approval of Financial Reports (May 2016)

Josh started out reviewing cash flow. Savings in tree removal and landscaping as we struggled getting started w/new contractor. Savings \$18,000 now, but delayed in billing and it is planned to be used. Pressure washed decks overage in utilities \$400. July statement will show correction for double billing in management fees \$1764. LG staff and grounds OT resulted in overage in salaries. Pool vac's paid twice and was refunded and we are in good shape for the year.

A motion to approve the financials came from Bill and John seconded the motion. All approved.

VI. Unfinished Business

A. Pool Hours, Pool Closing, Staff Training-John Burke

John inquired about pool hours and what other HHHunt communities do re: swim at your own risk. Donna expressed that many communities have small children and the LG's are a positive for renting & buying in the neighborhood and safety concerns of parents. There have been saves at communities. There are some new properties with the office and staff right next to the pools-usually smaller pools that may not have lifeguards. John suggested reaching out to the community to see what the interest is in staying open later for next year. Insurance is now worded that we have to have lifeguards on duty. The likelihood that if something happens we'd be open for lawsuit either way appears to exist. We can't do adult swims any more due to Fair Housing (age discrimination).. To extend hours we must consider; when do we have time to add chemicals and operational/ payroll costs, availability of lifeguards?

Chemicals need to be overseen everyday. Most pools in the area close at 7 or 8pm. Concern was expressed about the many children in the area, the many people that don't know how to swim and sometimes language barrier. Often parents show up fully clothed so they are not prepared to swim with children. Our lifeguards often have to go in and help someone out. Josh also addressed in-service trainings once a month at 6pm and bad weather. Notice is posted at pools, in the newsletter and on website. We'll gather info and talk again in October.

B. Hethwood Pond Area

We have continued working w/VT to get together some sediment plan to cut back on sediment and algae. Josh is again meeting with Cully Hession for more information. Our 2016 study involving the VA Tech student recommendation/plans (settlement ponds or terracing) were shot down by DEQ and Corp of Engineers. Now we are looking at more emphasis of landscaping of the perennial stream coming into the pond and possible additional aeration.

C. Sidewalk Along Hethwood Blvd.-Richard Hirsh

Richard received a call from a constituent concerned about the dangers of people walking down Hethwood Blvd. Some drivers concerned about people walking anywhere on the streets. Do we need educational effort for pedestrians to walk against traffic? Hethwood has worked w/Foxridge re: safety in newsletters. Town doesn't want signs up because it may encourage people to walk there. Town Corridor Committee meets every 6 mths. Josh discussed the possibility of removing island in middle and have one lane on each side to give room for a walkway along one side. We could look at a path that may solve some walking?

VII. New Business

A. Transfer of Privileges-Minimum Time Requirement

People request to give house sitter or pet sitter pool access. It is not appropriate under guest policy because resident isn't there to accompany and they are not leasing. We must also consider new trend with Air BnB's. Town of Blacksburg is working on a policy. We need a minimum lease requirement for transfer of privileges, such as no less than 30 days+ having a copy of lease sent to Hethwood. Bill made a motion to approve and John seconded the motion.

B. Possible Hearing for Violations

None scheduled-situations remedied.

VIII. Adjournment @ 1:25pm