

February 28, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order by President, Jack Mermod at 6:00PM. Directors present: Jack Mermod, Bill Simonson, Mark Weiner, Chris Soule-attended via ZOOM.

Previous Meeting Minutes Approval

Jack Mermod-motion to approve November 30, 2023 Board Meeting minutes, -second- Bill Simonson, all-aye, motion passed.

Director Reports

President Jack Mermod- Leah Van Meter resigned effective February 27, 2023. Thank you, Leah, for your time working on the board. Her term has 4 months remaining until July 2023. The board will consider an appointment to fill the vacancy. If interested, please send a letter to the office. In the meantime, I will cover the Recreation areas, I have been involved in the pool management. I will research the process for appointment to the board.

The regular board election is approaching, the deadline for letters for candidates is April 18th. We will put the official notice to call for candidates in the March newsletter, going out by March 18th.

Finance- Mark Weiner

We have moved \$115,000 in reserves from the money market account to a 14-month CD that has 4.41% rate, when matures in May 2025 we will earn approximately \$4,500. We plan to do the same with reserve funds in Umpqua, we are currently scheduling an appointment for three directors to sign for approval. We must keep our funds in El Dorado County.

Book Club-Mark Weiner

We have completed reading and discussing three books, moving on the 4th, The Lincoln Highway, by Amor Towles. We will meet on Friday, March 29th at 6:00pm at the lodge to discuss. Our El Dorado County Library offers a book club bag with six books available to borrow. There is one more available at the office, call to check.

Greenbelt-Chris Soule

There is not a lot of activity at this time, in the spring we will pick up with mastication of greenbelt areas. We currently have 8 trees that need to be taken down in the Disc Golf area. We are collecting bids from multiple contractors and will select when all are received.

USDA grant work is to be scheduled for greenbelt areas: C-17, C-12, C-13.

Recreation-Jack Mermod

In April we will de-winterize the pool which involves cleaning, running filters, and hiring pool attendants. We have one attendant returning and plan to hire 3 more for a total of 4. We will be advertising soon.

Fire Safe Council-Pat Schoggins

Sherry Hawk is meeting with USDA regarding on- going grant work for our greenbelt maintenance. She attended the county-wide Fire Safe Meeting, they are focusing on the Highway 50 roadside clearing. The next meeting is March 25th at 6:30PM at the lodge.

Open Forum

Members addressed the Board about matters involving owning property and/or living in Gold Ridge Forest.

New Business

Jack Mermod-In this part of the meeting the board members will discuss the business item, bring forward a motion, call for a second, and then open to discussion.

1-Create Community Event Committee -Mark Weiner

I was hoping to plan a St. Patrick's Day party on Sunday, March 17th with our local musicians Tony Ferrari and Sean Hawk, but they were not available. I will continue to plan for future events.

2-Budget Adjustment-Mark Weiner

Our bookkeeper discovered two math errors in the 2024 budget.

\$300 off in the administration section and

\$175 off in the employee section.

Per Gold Ridge Forest CC&R's Article IV, Section 9 (b), page 16:

"The Board, in its discretion, may make appropriate adjustments among the various line items in the Board's approved general operating budget if the Board determines that it is prudent and in the best interest of the Association and its Members to make such adjustments."

Mark Weiner-motion to approve reducing the 2024 Budget by a total of \$475 and reduce the amount from the greenbelt budget to make corrections. Second- Bill Simonson, all in favor- Jack Mermod-aye, Bill Simonson-aye, Mark Weiner-aye, Chris Soule-aye, motion passed.

The meeting adjourned 6:30pm.

EXECUTIVE SESSION 3/7/24

- DISCUSSION OF TOPICS:

- ONLINE DUES PAYMENTS VENDOR
- MEMBER PAYMENT PLANS
- MEMBER DISCIPLINE FOR LATE DUES
- PERSONNEL ISSUES - HIRING OF POOL ATTENDANTS
- POTENTIAL LIABILITY ISSUES - RE: NEWSLETTERS

