

June 26, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order by President, Jack Mermod at 6:02pm.

Directors attending: Jack Mermod, Mark Weiner, Bill Simonson, Chris Soule – family celebration.

Previous Meeting Minutes approval

Jack Mermod-motion to approve May 11 Special Board Meeting minutes, second-Bill Simonson, discussion, all in favor- aye, all- motion passed.

Mark Weiner-We are working on a list of items from the tour taken by directors of Recreation Area.

Jack Mermod-motion for the next tour to be a combination of driving and walking, not practical to walk all 220 acres of Green Belt, second-Bill, all in favor, motion passed.

Jack Mermod-motion to approve April 24, 2024 Meeting minutes, second, Bill Simonson, all in favor, motion passed.

Directors Reports

President- Director Election update-we had 2 open positions and received 2 letters of interest from Bill Simonson and Joan Fuquay. No election was held, they will be appointed by acclamation on July 13th Annual Membership Meeting.

Annual Survey

We are required to survey members within the last 3 months of the year. We will be collecting ideas for the survey questions, less than 10, possibly an online option.

Finance

Mark Weiner-See reports, as of 5/31/24 our operating balance was approx. \$240,000, compared to 2024 it was \$200,000. The reserves account listing is misleading with the current format, the total reserves balance including checking and CD's is\$252,000. I will request our bookkeeper to combine both.

Collection Policy

Mark Weiner-We plan to make collections a priority, the policy was approved in April, according to the new bylaws we must follow a process to remove access to recreation facilities.

We sent the second letter with July 30 deadline to pay, or after 5 days fobs will be deactivated.

August will be a pre-lien letter and the board votes in a public meeting to file a lien. I suggest we hire a collections clerk for 15 hours/month.

Greenbelt

Jack Mermod-We are looking at tree removal in late summer in the recreation area, taking out small young trees -ladder fuels, and also causing gate access issues with the tennis gate.

We would like to possibly remove trees around the tennis court that drop pitch and sap on the court and drop leaves, needles. There is a large oak on Opal near the court.

Recreation

Jack Mermod-The pools are open, we are having an issue with the pool robot vacuum, we replaced the control & motor and board.

We have a new chemical supplier and have one pool sweep on a timer.

July 13- Annual Membership Meeting, Saturday at 1:00.

Fire Safe Council

Sherry Hawk-We worked on a survey sent to GR members re: home hardening, siding, 100 replied, need to per wildfire protection plan, vent covers, roofs clean, no cedar shake roofs allowed per new ordinance part of the defensible space.

We would like to send a survey via constant contact and research cost, or use google forms.

The Senior program, disabled, veterans, low-income programs are accepting applications.

Mark Egbert from RCD is hoping to get more grant funding to help Gold Ridge with C-13 and C-14, 2 large parcels next to C-6, near Onyx and Mayflower, also to include roadside clearing. This grant would be free, no matching funds required.

We have options for maintenance for the USDA grant treated areas, herbicides or hand crew clean up, waiting on response.

I have gotten some more volunteers to help with Fire Safe Council and will not be resigning at the end of June.

There was a meeting recently at the end of Mercury Trail on Tuesday, 6/25. The site was chosen to visit to see the terrain we deal with, Mark Egbert was promoting Gold Ridge by looking at the site, not maps. Plans to address weak spots-Sly Park Rd., Sierra Springs, GR and EDC to bid on future grants.

There is a new process for roadside clearing & GB, one option is to do "timber mining" to reduce density to make GB more park like. We have too much brush, DOT is responsible.

Open Forum

Members comment.

CC&R's- schedule another meeting soon.

New Business

Purchase snowblower-JM-gas powered tools – new law we can purchase up to certain date.

I would like to purchase an Arian deluxe 20" super high output engine 2X average 9 hp or 11hp to work on our Sierra concrete -should last 10 years. Acme Tools-good co. will ship to CA.

The cost is \$1699, plus buy rubber skids for the deck, to clear lot, walkways, options discuss compared to other quotes.

Jack Mermod-motion to purchase from Acme up to \$2,500 to include additional parts and accessories, second-Bill Simonson, discussion, all in favor- motion passes.

Form Recreation Improvement Committee-JM

It would consist of 2-3 volunteers to assist implementing maintenance plans, work on list: Shuffleboard refurbishment, refresh, or have professionals paint.

Send email asking for volunteers, keep small to streamline.

Bocce Ball Court, Tennis, Pickleball courts-cracks

Pat Schoggins volunteered to head the committee to collect quotes, Genie Florczyk also volunteered to help.

Jack Mermod-motion to appoint Pat Schoggins chair of Recreation Committee, second-Bill Simonson, all in favor, motion passed.

Recreation Issues

Staff job, pet policy, GR staff can only ask.

1- Is it a service animal?

2- What service does it provide?

*Parents at one pool, kids at the other.

*Dog bite warning- GR not liable for dog behavior.

Discussion

Mark Weiner-Motion to adopt pet policy with 2 modifications:

1-Change show to present

2-Eliminate the sentence in paragraph 3 "For example, a GRFPOA employee might ask a guest to show any written certification about a dog."

Second- Jack Mermod, all in favor, motion passed.

Hat-purchase approved for all GR employees.

Open Pool at 8:00am for lap swimmers-increase one hour per day-unattended, no effect on staff budget.

Open gym -same time 8:00am-officially open soon.

Add gym users for risk warning waiver to add FOB access.

Meeting adjourned 8:30pm