

**LAKESHORE TRAILER OWNER'S ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
January 20, 2024**

The meeting was called to order by President Robin Dickinson. Johnny Faerber gave a warm welcome to all members and introduced the current Board of Directors. Johnny then introduced our special guests: Lisa Duncan, manager of Lake Mead RV Village for Guest Services, Kelly Conner, NPS liaison to LMRVV, and Mike Gauthier, Superintendent of the National Park Service, Lake Mead.

Lisa spoke first. She addressed the many questions about the recent changes occurring at Cottonwood Cove. They have signed a 25-year lease with NPS and have received a \$10 million federal grant to update and further develop Cottonwood Cove. Projects include restructuring the marina and adding more slips, refurbishing the restaurant, hotel and store, putting rental cabanas in the ski cove, developing the north beach and lower campgrounds, and putting in new employee housing. It also stipulated that all long-term trailers must be removed by 2043.

She addressed why our rents keep going up. The increments were decided in 2015 and primarily cover the increasing costs of water, sewage and general maintenance.

Lisa stressed that because our plumbing and sewer lines are old and some have been infiltrated by roots that it is imperative that mobile home owners not put ANYTHING down their toilets except human waste and toilet paper. This has been a major problem this fall.

Lisa also explained that the park will be pulling out some of the oleander bushes that are impacting the sewer lines. No oleanders may be planted in the park, only acceptable native plants. Check with the office before you add anything to your landscape.

The park no longer provides cable nor Wi-Fi. LV.net is the approved provider in the park. Homeowners are responsible for their own subscriptions.

Questions: Why we can't stay in the park full time. The Interior Department and NPS have designated Lake Mead a "National Recreation Area." It may not be used for full-time residency except for designated workers.

Can the village improve access to the construction dumpster (put it back where it was accessible full time)? Lisa explained that when it was accessible in the past, it was badly abused. Paint, oil, tires and hazardous waste were put in. Also, contractors from outside the park were using

the dumpster to dispose of construction waste. The dump will remain in the storage yard. Please don't leave items out beside the dumpsters. If it's toxic, take it to the dump yourself.

When will the forklift be repaired? Supposedly, the parts are coming this next week. In the meantime, neighbors are encouraged to help neighbors with their cuttings.

When and what will be the car/boat rules for homeowners not in the park? Lisa explained that new standards have not yet been finalized.

Why doesn't LMRVV put more into fixing such things as roads and sewer lines? Lisa explained that the concessionaire's contract is a year-to-year lease with extensions. Because of that, the concessionaire is not going to commit to large capital outlays.

Lisa reminded us that the phasing out of the long-term rentals (mobile homes) has always been on the table with the NPS. Currently, there are no near plans for this to happen at LMRVV.

Guest Services has established online payments for two other locations. This will be expected to be implemented at LMRVV in the near future.

Mike Gauthier, Superintendent of LMNRA spoke next.

He elaborated on the concessionaire contracts. He explained that LMRVV has been operating on contracts that originated in 1965 with year-to-year extension of lease. Major improvements won't be made.

LMNRA received a \$45 million grant to improve boat ramps in Mead and Mojave. This will also be used for a program to save the tortoise and curtail poor driving habits. (basically.....slow down)

Because LMNRA didn't have a permanent superintendent for three years, many projects in the park didn't happen. Mike is ready to get projects moving again. He mentioned that there are around 200 employees to service the 1.5 million acres. About 25-30 full-time rangers cover that area. They have had increasing problems with traffic issues, high fatality rates, unruly visitors and squatters in areas not designed for camping (no bathrooms).

Mike encouraged us all to do what we can: set a good example by acting responsibly. Obey speed limits. Keep trash picked up. He also encouraged people to volunteer in the park. For current opportunities go to www.volunteer.gov. There are quarterly Community Meeting offered online to learn more information about what is offered in the park. The hour-long meetings are usually on Thursday at 3:00. Check the Lake Mead web-site. Where and when was the "Eagle Watch"? It was just completed under the direction of Nevada Department of Wildlife.

Robin thanked our guests and reminded people that if they have further concerns, they can make appointments with the speakers.

Treasurer's report was made showing the annual income and expenditures of 2023. Motion made and passed to accept the report.

Secretary read the minutes of the 2023 meeting. Approved as read.

OLD BUSINESS

Just a reminder that we are not an HOA, but a social group to plan and carry out activities for the enjoyment of members. We also disseminate information from the NPS and LMRVV as necessary.

We have a leaf blower for anyone to use. It is kept in the LTOA shed behind the library.

We just bought two "SLOW...Children playing" signs to put in front of your trailer when you have children visiting. They are in the LTOA shed. Please return them when your visiting kids are gone.

We had an active Book club with plans are to start again.

There's a walking and dog-walking group going daily....usually around 9 am. LTOA has a Facebook members-only group that has lots of timely information.

Reminder: pick up after dogs....even in the washes (especially in the wash)

Naomi Emmerson asked if we could start a yoga group and was advised to check with Randall about where it could be held.

NEW BUSINESS.

Election of Board of Directors for year 2026

The four incumbents have each declared their candidacy. Robin called for volunteers from the floor. Marguerite Hanson volunteered and was offered an opportunity to introduce herself. Joseph Shammass also volunteered and spoke. Ballots were passed out, then collected and tallied while the meeting continued.

The Photo Contest begins now and Ends April 1st. Winners will be announced at the Bye-Bye-Birdy Aloha Party, April 13. Each member can submit 3 entries. More info and details will be in the newsletter and on Facebook.

Activities: Robin called for volunteers to chair the events. Members were reminded that they do not have to pay expenses themselves. Club will pay and board will help with the activities.

February 10...afternoon Valentines Party...chair Sandy and Sierra
March 16...St Patrick's Day pancake breakfast. Carol L and Doug Geer
April...13 Bye-Bye-Birdies/Aloha Party afternoon...open
May...TBA movie night...Tim & Jane 301
October 19* Wine & Cheese night...Marguerite Hanson
Nov 16 Chili cook-off....afternoon Robin Chair
Dec 14...Annual Christmas Dinner & Party..Sandy & board

Raffle tickets were handed out at the beginning of the meeting. The drawing was made, and Kelly O'Shaughnessy won a certificate for dinner for two at the Marina Restaurant.

Results of voting: all incumbents were re-elected for the 2026 term.
Robin Dickenson, Johnny Faerber, Don Peters and Danielle Turner

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandy Hug, secretary