

BIG NEWS: April 2022

Two items from our Annual Meeting

RBOA Members, there were two very important issues at the Annual Rocky Bayou Owners Association Meeting. ***The first is quite urgent.*** Florida State statutes and our By-Laws require that we maintain a governing board of 7 members. We need three volunteers to replace departing board members. Two have served two years and decided to retire from the board. Another has received military orders to move and has sold his home. **Please consider volunteering to give your community 4 to 6 hours per month, and help us make this owners' association work.** If we fail to comply with the seven member requirement we may have to change the way our association is organized in order to comply with requirements. Doing so will change our dues and how our covenants are enforced. We don't want that. Our seven member board of volunteers is the least costly way to support and govern our community. It's also the least intrusive way to maintain our covenants and the quality of our neighborhoods. **Your community needs you. If you can, please come to our Board Meeting at the Niceville City Hall on April 13th at 6:30 PM and accept a position on our governing board. If you cannot make this meeting but want to learn more about becoming a member of the board, please email the President of the RBOA using the email address on our website.**

The second item concerns our relationship to the RB Country Club and Golf Course (RBCC). Our Board will vote on the 13th on whether to adopt a letter of agreement (LOA) between our RBOA and the RBCC. Here are the terms:

1. Our RBOA will purchase one family Social Membership which will allow all our members to take walks on the golf course prior to the first morning tee time.
2. RBOA members will also be offered a significant discount on Social Memberships of the RBCC. (\$40 per month for a year's membership instead of the normal \$57.) (Notably, that seventeen dollar per month discount is greater than the cost of your RBOA membership on a monthly basis.)
3. Social Memberships will also include significant discounts, once per calendar quarter, on games of golf and dining at the clubhouse.
4. We will post the LOA on this website in advance of the May meeting. (You can even be one of the voters on the issue this month by taking one of our open positions on the board.)
5. The RBCC plans to erect Pickleball Courts in the near future which will also be available to its Social Memberships.

This letter of agreement will solve one problem, that we see homeowners taking walks on the golf course which is trespassing. This will make that legal and will also give minimal compensation to the RBCC. We'll have to ensure we clean up after pets and avoid getting in the way of the workers preparing the course for the day. Also, watch out for the sprinklers. This will also make available for those who want to pay for them, some amenities, provided by the RBCC at a discounted cost.

Thanks for giving these matters your attention. Our intention is to keep you informed and to allow you to thrive in our beautiful RBOA neighborhoods.

Richard Comer
President, RBOA