Tropics Residents' Club

General Meeting Minutes

02-12-15

- 1. The meeting of the Tropics Residents' Club General meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm at the Club House by President Dave Hughes.
- 2. All Board Members were present except Lawrence Thomas.
- 3. A Quorum was present
- 4. Pledge of Allegiance was recited
- 5. Minutes:
 - **a.** The minutes for the General Meeting for January 15, 2015 were read, corrected and approved
 - **b.** The minutes for the Board Meeting February 5, 2015 were read and after corrections were noted, corrections will be made and approved.

6. Treasurers' Report:

a. Ervin gave the report. Stephanie Butler said the ending balance does not add up. A discussion followed. The report was correct!

7. Correspondence:

a. A letter from Pete Lowe for lockers to be added to the wish list.

8. Management Report – Nancy Payne

- **a.** The Green waste dumpster will not be used by the garden company as of March 1. Again a reminder that foliage needs to be cut up.
- **b.** Letters have gone out about the \$30 rent decrease in March because everyone will be paying for water.
- **c.** The water meters will be read in March. The people with the new meters will only be billed for half the month for March

9. Old and Unfinished Business:

- a. The Proposed By-Laws were given to the board to read and discuss. The by-laws document changes the term of office from two years to one year. Dave suggested that we table the discussion on the by-laws. Larry Cornell moved we table the by-laws and Carol Orwig seconded the motion. Stephanie brought up a couple of minor wording changes to the proposed by-laws. It was passed to table the discussion until the next meeting.
- **b.** Microphones Richard is still having Allergo to come out.
- c. Green Waste Larry Cornell said that a petition was passed out to stop gardeners from using the dumpster. He brought up according to park rules, management must provide a green waste dumpster and we should not have to pay for it. Another petition is out about this.
- d. Parking Patrol Suggestion that we have an in house parking patrol. The present company is not doing their job. Richard moved to looking into the possibility of having in-house parking patrol. Carlos seconded the motion. A discussion followed. Larry brought up that management is not following up on the security company. Nancy is trying to correct this. A car cannot be towed until a car has 2 tags, but no one is tagging them. Motion passed.
- e. Easter Jerry provided information into what he is proposing for Easter Dinner with contests, and paying for one month free rent, and PG&E bill, water bill, sewer, and trash. Jerry moved that we have an Easter Dinner and Jayme seconded. A discussion

followed about the event and prizes. Stephanie brought up that traditionally Easter was a free brunch. A discussion followed. A vote was taken for having an Easter Dinner was 13 for and 19 against. Motion did not carry. We will be having a free Easter Brunch.

f. Wish list – Larry asked for hot water in the b-bug bathrooms

10. New Business:

a. Hot water for the Kitchen and B-bug. The cost will be around \$800 for labor and parts. The Board meeting has already approved it. There was a discussion about why are the residents paying for it. A letter will be sent to George Turk asking for reimbursement.

11. Committee and Club Reports

- **a.** Bingo report was read by Dave.
- **b.** Breakfast Richard went over the menu
- **c.** Community Betterment Jerry said nothing to report
- **d.** House We will meet to set up Friday at 10 am
- e. Potluck returns March 1
- f. Senior Citizens Stephanie gave a report of the meeting she attended and how much more information we can get. Mentioned that a Clipper card is going to be available in Union City.
- **g.** Larry Cornell brought up again about Allied waste not picking up the waste. He stated the Union City administrators they could not pick up the waste for free
- h. Sunshine Helen said no one died but a lot of minor illnesses going around.
- i. Disaster Preparedness Richard mentioned that the annual Mock Drill will be Sunday, May 17.
- **j.** Tropics Travelers still need people to sign up. Also looking into other trips. The fishing trip was brought up, people need to sign up if interested.
- k. Snack Bar Have a fried chicken dinner this Wednesday and Corn Beef and Cabbage Dinner on the 18th of March
- I. Ladies Club Moving slowly along
- **m.** Coffee Club Still meeting
- n. Spring Chickens still hoping around, need to get up early
- **o.** B-Bug Middle of Tax Season on Tuesday and Thursday, need to make an appointment. Louise Grohnke wanted to thank Larry for having the senior driving classes.
- **p.** Line Dancing changed time to 3:30pm
- **q.** Mahjong Class on February 24

12. Upcoming Events

- a. Hobo Night Jayme mentioned the costume contest and food
- **b.** March Breakfast Menu was given

13. Other Business

- **a. Bill Pickens** brought if the rewards cards were going to continue. Dave will talk to Barry about how the cards are made.
- b. Cathy Lighthill wanted to know what events or committees still need volunteers
- **c.** Rick Henry wants to change Hawaiian Night to May and Big Band to July. Scheduling problem with Dancers. It was changed

Carlos moved that we adjourn and Jayme seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm

Submitted by Richard Stoll, Secretary.

The Minutes were approved 03-12-15