

Minutes of the October 1, 2017 meeting of
The Rhododendron Park Maintenance Company

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.

Board members present were Albert Johnson, Darrell Pritchard, Amanda Lawson, Maude Kelleher, Rex Pulfrey, Lynn Cunningham, Richard Clark.

Also in attendance were Heidi Pritchard, Phyllis Hippler, Virginia Klein and Joseph Higgins.

Albert welcomed everyone.

The **minutes** of the previous meeting were read with corrections noted. There was a question raised with information that it would be cheaper to buy a porta- potty rather than rent one. This issue will be brought up under committee reports.

The **finance** report was reviewed and a question raised regarding the fact that no bill was listed for water. Heidi stated that the cutoff date for the bill now falls after our meeting so it will be on next month's report. The report was then accepted.

Committee reports

Maintenance – Darrell and Amanda spoke about the retaining wall at the front entrance. The wall will cost about \$100.00. The Rhododendron tree will be moved. Problems are noted in the 117th park that people are not cleaning up after their dogs. Suggestion was made that we have a designated dog park. Also post a notice that if you do not clean up after your dog the park will be closed to dogs. Darrell said that he is going to start mowing the parks again. The water has been turned off and he is trying to get a locate for the front entrance to be sure they won't run into any problems when securing the railroad ties for the retaining wall. A question was raised regarding the railroad ties being toxic.

Newsletter - Nothing to report

Compliance – Nothing at this time – Notifications have been sent. Albert is talking to Heather and others as to what they have noticed regarding any clean up. He has also asked that the compliance committee be present at our monthly meetings to report on anything that we need to be made aware of.

Events Committee: Interested in something for Christmas - Santa, pictures, candy canes, decorate meeting house Motion made to proceed and an amount of \$200.00 was budgeted. Information on this will be included in the packet that is being sent to all the homeowners. Santa pictures will be taken between 1 and 3 P.M.

Website: Albert has updated the By-Law changes and must submit them to the County before he posts them on the website. Note that Santa will be at the meeting house for pictures on Dec. 16th from 1-3PM. Facebook is still growing.

Open forum. Virginia suggested that the lights on the meeting building should be changed to vapor lights that go on at night and off in the morning instead of what is there right now and burn 24 hours a day. A Motion was made and accepted to attach cables to the benches in the park so that they cannot be removed from the covered area

Discussion was held on whether we should rent or buy our own port-a-potty It was suggested that it would be cheaper to rent one due to the maintenance and that we really don't need one year round. It was noted that it would be good to have one during the summer months as that is when the activities take place and when the luncheons are served to the children.

Priorities over the next year were suggested that we find out what the homeowners would like to see in the 205th park that would have more people using it, Update the lights. Get the front entrance completed then the back entrance .

Repair the railings at the meeting building (sand – paint) . Call Ron about removing the trees in the green belt as he has not responded back yet.

Provide more structure to our meetings. Albert hopes to provide this at the next meeting.

Virginia Klein asked if the new board members who had been elected prior to the meeting would be introduced, Albert introduced the new board for the 2017- 2018 term. President- Albert Johnson, Vice President – Darrell Pritchard, Secretary -Amanda Lawson, and Treasurer – Maude Kelleher.

A notice was received from our insurance agent that our security policy for the Board members is being cancelled. The agent was supposed to call Albert but he has not heard anything yet.

A question regarding the green belts was brought up at the annual meeting. No one can build a fence in the green belts and no permanent structures can be built. Also the county does not allow speed bumps on the roads.

Adjourned at 7:57 P.M.

Next meeting will be Sunday November 5th at 7:00 P.M.

Submitted

Phyllis Hippler