

Riverwood Beach Club Committee Meeting April 13, 2017

Present: Ruth Mosca, Chair, John Puzine, Ann Cea, Frank Shorey, Sherry McKinney, Kyle Muston, and Bridget Fraser on the phone. Also present: Dolly Syrek, CDD representative, Brad McKnight and Lisa McGann (on the phone) from STS.

Initially a quorum was not present. When a quorum was present the minutes from the 3/9/17 meeting were approved.

PROJECT REPORTS:

Brad McKnight reviewed the tree trimming estimates. The CDD did not vote to allot the money for this project. It is unclear how much money is available for upgrades at the BC. After some discussion, it was agreed that Dolly Syrek would get together with a financial person at Severn Trent to clarify how much money from dues collection is available for projects such as this. Brad will also ask the low bidder to break out costs so any tree trimming for safety reasons might be done soon.

Brad reviewed proposed structural changes at the BC to accommodate chair storage, a stairway to the shell sitting area, and bringing the stairway to the beach up to standard so it can be permitted. The Committee carried on detailed discussions of the various options for these three projects including cost, structure, materials and logistics. The Committee decided that the priorities were the reconfiguration of the stairway to the beach for safety reasons and the construction of the stairway to the shell sitting area to accommodate members in the event more of the beach sitting area is eroded. Jon Puzine made a motion that the Committee recommend these two structural changes and the CDD allot the necessary funds. The motion was seconded and approved. Brad will clarify costs with the contractor and insure the necessary permitting is obtained. Brad will verify that the steps to the shell area are included in the \$1,800.00 permit. The chair storage option was tabled for two reasons: the Committee is unsure of what funds are available, and the proposed structural change might be unworkable when the beach is renourished. When turtle season begins on May 1st, the chairs will be stored on the existing ramp.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE: Dolly Syrek did not have an update on the reserve fund. She will look into this and the availability of funds for structural change and upkeep and maintenance.

STRUCTURAL: Structural issues were dealt with in Brad McKnight's report. Also, the filter in the ice machine needs to be replaced. We do not have a maintenance contract that would cover the ice machine, the water fountains and the air conditioner. Dolly Syrek will discuss this with the CDD. Sherry McKinney made Brad aware of a possible safety issue with the timed lights in the restrooms. Brad will look into battery operated "night

lights" when the timed lights go out.

SECURITY: An e-mail from Peter Stocks said he is looking into fencing and other options to keep out trespassers who cut through the BC on their way to the beach.

MEMBERSHIP:

Brad reported that Lisa McGann of STS in Fort Myers will be taking over some of his duties in managing membership and the wait list.

Current membership is at 370 and 29 on the wait list. Current dues remain at \$350. plus tax. There was also some discussion on the handling of wait list residents who ask to be deferred.

LANDSCAPE: Molly Meadows of STS was questioned about any damage to the plantings from the excessive shade due to the untrimmed trees.

COMMUNICATION: Sherry McKinney reported on the attendants daily sheets which contain info on parking and chair usage as well as comments by the attendants and members. There were several times when the parking lot was full for part of a day. Five or six times, all the chairs were in use. Many days there were comments on the presence of red tide. Sherry has learned that a neighbor of the BC to our north, will be volunteering with Mote labs in monitoring the presence of red tide twice a day. This info will then be available on line. Sherry will let members know when this system is up and members can access it.

Some planned events were cancelled this year because of weather or red tide. Planned events can also be rescheduled if such conditions exist.

A discussion ensued about some rule violations that have occurred recently. It was agreed that the members in question would have a letter sent from STS informing them of the violation and also warning about possible loss of privileges if there is a re-occurrence. Also, attendants need to be vigilant about checking IDs.

It was also agreed that a list of BC rules will be attached to applications for special events.

OLD BUSINESS. The survey was sent online to BCC members today. Several committee members have already responded. The survey will be sent to all BC members when the survey committee looks over responses from the BC committee and makes any necessary changes.

NEW BUSINESS. Ruth Mosca raised the issue of CDD and BCC relationship. If the Committee makes a recommendation to the CDD, it expects that recommendation will go to a vote of the CDD. If the representative is not in agreement, that can be stated, but still the vote should be taken.

Since it is unlikely a quorum can be reached in July and August, BCC meetings may be cancelled those months.

The floor was opened to audience members. A resident on the wait list asked about the process and also raised the issue of summer memberships to the BC. There was a discussion about the logistics of such a membership. Dolly suggested this person come to the CDD meeting.

Kyle Muston of the BCC stated the Committee should solicit audience questions or comments at the beginning of the meeting so the audience will not have to sit for two hours waiting to be heard. This will be incorporated into future meetings.

A motion was made to adjourn. It was seconded and approved.