

Season's Trace Rec Meeting Minutes

May 17, 2018

Call to Order at 6:32 PM

Present: Pat Branch, Tricia Sorrell, Ed Robbins

Public Comments: None

Treasurer Report: There was no financial report from Brooks Realty to share at the meeting. Ed will be setting up a meeting with Angela Bailey to go over the financials and will have information to share at the next meeting. There is money coming in from pool guest pass sales, storage lot rentals, and clubhouse rentals.

Old Business:

Sports court: The sports court is unlocked, pending continuous research on possible coded gate options. Chris from High Sierra has several names to give us of possible lock companies that he thinks could work with us and cost much less than the previous bids. Tricia will work on more quotes. A resident offered to help lock and unlock the gate if we choose to go back to daily opening/closing. The lifeguards are not an option for opening and closing the sports court. Chris from High Sierra said we could pay them for a rec attendant for signing out the equipment and maintaining the rec areas, but that would cost additional money.

Pool hours: Chris from High Sierra said if we wanted to shorten the pool hours from 4 to 8 in the evening until school gets out, it would cost us more money than our contract because we would be re-negotiating our multiyear contract and the wage/tax/cost increase would cause our entire contract price to go up. We have decided to not shorten the pool hours.

Pool opening: The skimmer repair to the pool has been completed. The total cost for the replacement will be shared once we have a financial report, but it cost in the ballpark of \$1350. The pool chemicals are balanced and the pool looks great. Last item of business will be to bring the pool furniture up and put the awning up. Six replacement pool umbrellas have been purchased, and we may purchase a few more since our opening costs appear to be under budget. We need to wait for the financial report before purchasing more.

Pool registration: Pool registration is going well. It helps that last year's rec board had a registration process in place because the residents know to attend one of the registration sessions. The pictures are being taken on the rec assn lap top, and the pics will then be entered into the online check in program that has been purchased. Residents will not need to register again in the future unless changes to their households need to be updated. Residents are

taking advantage of the pre-purchase of guest passes at \$25.00 for 10, which will help reduce the lifeguards need to collect and track money. The money taken in will be reported when we get the updated financials.

Clubhouse shades: We will proceed with the selection of industrial grade pull shades since our opening maintenance costs are still below our initial approved opening costs.

New Business:

Concessions: A resident inquired about the possibility of selling snacks/drinks at the pool. A discussion about past sales of snack items indicated the lifeguards collected the money for the snacks. Again, High Sierra would expect us to hire a rec attendant for the pool for tasks not directly associated with keeping the pool safe. In the past, Ted Johnson had contacted local vending companies to see if vending machines could be placed at the pool. No one was interested because of the short pool season. Tricia will try again to contact some companies, and also do some research about the cost of purchasing refrigerated vending machines like the ones at Jamestown HS. The honor system of paying for snacks/drinks was mentioned, but we will not pursue that idea at this time.

The conversation about snacks, rec equipment etc brought up discussion about a possible paid pool/rec manager whose job would be to oversee the rec program for the summer. Duties might include hiring/paying of rec attendant, concessions, etc. We will use the information we gather about usage of the rec areas and money in/out to discuss this idea as a possibility for next season.

Clubhouse area: Pat Branch used a blower to knock down the cobwebs from the outside of the clubhouse. Ed will have one of his teams power wash the building when they are in the area at no cost. They will also replace the shingles above the pool house door. Ed will get bids for a new lock for the clubhouse door, and the board will vote via email to approve the purchase.

Trash Cans for Rec areas— A resident made a suggestion for trash cans to be placed by the sports court and play area. Several residents volunteered to empty the trash cans through the week. Tricia made a motion for the purchase of trash cans not to exceed \$75. Seconded by Ed. Unanimous vote. Ed will look for the choices on trash cans.

ADT – new codes will be issued. The lock on the clubhouse door/pool house will be changed. Ed is pricing the new locks.

Water aerobics? - A resident has potentially volunteered to offer water aerobics? Her family has recently moved into Seasons Trace and she has been hired to teach water aerobics at JCC rec center. She would be interested in helping in our community. We will research the feasibility of offering water aerobics depending on the ability to charge members per class? She is also willing to consider occasional sessions as a possible fundraiser. Tricia will research the feasibility of having the water aerobics at the pool. The resident is also interested in personal training/cross training of athletes using the pool. Tricia will check on liability, insurance, hours etc.

Storage lot – We will be looking at reorganizing the storage lot given the increase in use. We will be sending payment requests to residents currently using the lot for the second half of the year.

Reserve study – Multifamily has agreed to include the rec areas in the reserve study they are commencing.

Public Forum –

A resident had questions about the data being collected for pool usage this summer. What will be the use for the data, and will the residents get the opportunity to view the data. Tricia responded that we will be tracking usage to possibly determine a potential change in pool hours. Also to determine the best course of action if the financials for the year do not level out and allow for a small reserve to begin accumulating. There are future expenses that we know are coming, so we are being fiscally conservative this year to determine the minimum amount of money needed to keep the rec areas open, maintained, and safe. In the future, there may come the need for pool usage fees or an increase in HOA to the rec assn. It is our goal to NOT charge homeowners any additional money. So information is being gathered so an informed decision about the budget can be made at the end of the year. The data will be available for residents to see before decisions about the budget will be made.

A resident also brought to our attention that the land being used for the storage lot was donated by the builder of ST as a courtesy since the HOA would not allow for boats/RVs/trailers to be parked at residences. He felt that charging for the use of the storage lot was not in the spirit of the land donation, especially since the pricing has gone from free to \$50 to \$300. We will take this information into consideration when planning the budget for next year.

A resident also clarified a statement made by Tricia concerning money in and money out for the rec center. Tricia misspoke and it sounded like we were spending more money on the shades and umbrellas for the pool because we knew we had additional money coming in from the storage lot and pool registration that was not included in our budget. The money being collected now will NOT be spent this year, save for the event of a pool emergency. If the money needs to be spent, the request will go to both boards for approval. No money can be spent that is not part of the approved budget. Tricia meant to say our opening costs for the pool are under the previously approved amount this year, so we are moving forward with the potential purchase of shades. Ed reinforced that we are on a shoestring budget this year so we are basically starting from a zero budget to see how far the money can take us. The budget we are working with this year was determined by the old rec board, and had potential money coming from clubhouse rentals/storage lot rentals/pool registration as part of the money in/money out. Both the single family and multifamily boards underfunded the request to begin to build a reserve in their respective accounts for the rec assn. We are looking ahead for the future.

Extra meetings? Ed, Tricia, and Pat will communicate via email regarding the need for additional rec meetings. We need to have one in June for sure to follow up on the opening of the pool. After we check our schedules we will determine a meeting date, and that date will be advertised for the residents so they may attend.

Tricia called the meeting to a close at 7:39 PM, seconded by Ed. Unanimous vote. The next meeting date will be determined soon.

Published quarterly meeting date is Thursday, August 16th at 6:30 PM.

