

MYRTLE TRACE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION
CONWAY, SOUTH CAROLINA
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING – December 21, 2016

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Dave Smyth, in Mary Johnsen's absence, at 9:00 a.m.

ATTENDANCE: *Board Members:* Dave Smyth, Nancy Southard, Darryl Rhodes and Renzo Falcinelli

Committee Chairpersons: Pat Hosford - Architectural Review Committee, Ted Ackley - Communications Committee, Leo Reger - Property Committee, Pat Paxson – Activities Committee.

Also present were: Jim Luneke - Administrative Consultant, Barb Artz, Peter Bevan, Dennis Arena and Diane Gascoigne - Recording Secretary.

Absent: Mary Johnsen

NOTE OF PASSING RESIDENTS:

Marie Briggs of 111 Juneberry Lane passed away on November 22, 2016

Fred King of 249 Cottonwood Lane passed away on December 10, 2016

NOTE OF NEW OWNERS:

Wayne and Kathleen Harms purchased 117 Mayberry on November 14, 2016

Regina Haskin purchased 103 Moss Circle on November 16, 2016

Thomas C. Gray purchased 210 Cedar Ridge Lane on November 30, 2016

Joseph and Nancy DePino purchased 229 Cricket Court on December 5, 2016

George and Josephine Marlow purchased 180 Glenwood Drive on December 8 2016

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Darryl Rhodes moved and Renzo Falcinelli seconded the motion to accept the minutes of the November 16, 2016 Board meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE – Pat said Janet McGrady has resigned as movie night director. They are looking for a replacement. Pat gave a report on which residents won the Christmas mailbox decoration contest in each phase and who won the house decorations contest in each phase. The Activities Committee will try to do this again next year. Darryl questioned the section of the report on Board Liaison and asked if the contract referred to the contract with Compass Designs for the storage room. Pat said it did.

Nancy Southard moved and Darryl Rhodes seconded the acceptance of the Activities Committee Report. The motion passed unanimously.

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE – Pat said there were two agendas for approval.

Nancy Southard moved and Darryl Rhodes seconded the acceptance of the ARC report. The motion passed unanimously.

PROPERTY COMMITTEE – Leo reported on a few things that were done in the Club House including having the thermostat looked at. Leo said he would like to see a different system for administering the heat and air conditioning to the Club House as so many people have resigned from being a contact person. Leo said the committee met with Steve Ubl with Burning Ridge Golf Course about drainage. He made a recommendation to encumber the money that was set aside for the storage room and tree removal so it would be available for next year. Darryl said the money would not be encumbered, but set aside in the remainder of this year's budget, not next years.

Nancy Southard moved and Darryl Rhodes seconded the money for the trees be set aside in the amount of \$3,700.00. The motion passed unanimously.

Nancy Southard moved and Renzo Falcinelli seconded the money for the storage room at the Club House be set aside in the amount of \$16,885.00. The motion passed unanimously.

Darryl Rhodes moved and Nancy Southard seconded the acceptance of the Property Committee report. The motion passed unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE – Ted said the Paulsons are leaving the community. They have been “News and Views” carriers and have been responsible in part for raising and lowering the flags.

Renzo Falcinelli moved and Darryl Rhodes seconded that the written report of the Communications Committee be accepted as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Darryl said the financial status of Myrtle Trace remains sound despite unanticipated events in 2016. Nancy Southard made a comment and a correction to the Treasurer's report will be made in reference to the statement about tree removal. Darryl said three CD's mature in December. Two he will try to combine. The interest earned on the CD's has been dismal but he hopes with the Federal government raising the interest rate they will do a little better in the future. The money cannot be put into anything involving more risk.

Nancy Southard moved and Renzo Falcinelli seconded that the Treasurer's Report be accepted with the correction to the section on tree removal. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Announcement of Candidates for 2017 Board of Directors – The candidates are: Dennis Arena, Carol Estrella and Santo Perry. The Nominating Committee will distribute the biographies of the candidates to resident's newspaper tubes on the 7th or 8th of January.
- 2017 Annual Meeting – The 2017 Annual Meeting of Myrtle Trace will be held on Saturday, February 4, 2017, at the Burroughs and Chapin Auditorium in Horry Georgetown Technical College.

- Compass Design Status Update – We are still waiting on the permit from the county and as soon as we have it, Compass Design will begin work.
- Estate Management – Renzo reported on Estate Management’s sonar survey of our ponds. Our ponds have two purposes; one is to give us the ability to manage storm water runoff and the second purpose is to slow down the flow of water and cause sediment to settle out and not flow into the county system. The survey showed how much sediment was in each pond. The Board is working with Burning Ridge Golf Course to correct some drainage problems which affect us both. The Board has no definite dredging scheduled at this time. There is a lot of data to assimilate and determine what to do next.
- Boats on the Ponds – It has been brought to the Board’s attention that prospective buyers to our community have questioned whether boats, kayaks, etc. are allowed on the ponds. Dave said while there is no rule prohibiting this, he advises against it. They are retention ponds, not lakes as in some other communities. The Board will look into it and report more on it next month.

CORRESPONDENCE:

The Board received a thank you from temple Shalom for a donation in memory of Ron Crow

The Board received a thank you from Embrace Hospice for a donation in memory of Dorothy Cartisano

The Board received a thank you from the family of Harold Slack for a donation to the Conway Lion’s Club

The Board received a thank you note to the MTHOA from Phil and Mary Baker for maintaining our community

REMARKS FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:

All Board members wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Renzo said he is still very impressed after 20 years with how this community works.

Darryl said this is the last meeting of the year and it has been a rough year for all the committees and for the community as a whole. If it wasn’t for all the committees, the work would not get done. He thanked each committee once again. He also thanked the community chorus for their great Christmas presentation last weekend. It is things like that that make our community so great.

Nancy said it has been a tough year but a lot of projects have been completed. The committees did a fantastic job and the community really comes together when needed.

Dave thanked everyone for being so kind to him as “President for a Day”. He thanked all the committees once again.

A motion was made by Darryl Rhodes and seconded by Renzo Falcinelli that the meeting be adjourned at 9:40 a.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Gascoigne, Recording Secretary