

# MONTPELIER COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.

## Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

Deerfield Community Center

April 12, 2011

**Trustees in Attendance:** Paul Buehler, Richard Dengler, Bob Derrick, Dave Eisenberg, Lillian Fazio, Tim Jacobs and Jack Keating.

**Trustees Absent with Cause:** Patricia Douville, and Tony Fleming.

**Community Members Present:** Don Keister, Mary Derrick, and Mary Hughes

President B. Derrick called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM. There was a quorum to conduct business.

### **Secretary's Report: Tricia Douville**

The minutes of the March 2011 board meeting were reviewed and amended. Trustee Keating made a motion to accept the amended minutes. Trustee Jacobs seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

### **Treasurer's Report: Lillian Fazio**

- \$165,000 collected to date.
- Two deposits have been made to ING - \$25,000 and \$50,000.
- If anyone would like to receive the statements early, she can send them in pdf format. Trustee Keating and M. Hughes requested them.
- \$722 donated to the swim team by the membership.

### **ACCC: Michael Boddie, Chairperson**

Trustee Keating reported on three simple approvals done online. Several fines went out for boats and trailers brought out of storage early. Trustee Derrick asked for the committee to inventory houses that appear to be abandoned/overgrown/foreclosed so that attempts can be made to locate banks or parties responsible for the properties.

### **Communications Committee: Tim Jacobs, Chairperson**

- The date on the bylaws online has been corrected.
- Two new online ads are on the website. Advertisers seem to be very happy with it.
- Trustee Jacobs was billed for the website again so he will try again to have it billed to the association.

### **Facilities Committee: Richard Dengler and David Eisenberg, Co-Chairpersons**

- Two Broken swings have been ordered (\$241.96). The security lights come on at night and the gates are locked every night, but vandalism still occurs.
- Lock was replaced on the tennis court, but the combination is the same.
- There is a new contract to clean tennis courts- 6 times at \$10 per hour. Trash and field will be cleaned Thursday or Friday. There is a problem with recycling at the pool. Trustee Dengler will ask the gate person if they could take the recycle bins to the street for Wednesday pick-up.
- The Committee budgeted \$999 to replace the dead shrubs out front, dead plants in the island and 8 planters and \$2,000 for "nuts and bolts" and \$5,000 for unplanned "esoteric events." A plan is needed for the area around the tennis courts also.
- The back hill has been cleaned (\$225). Trustee Dengler felt that planting the back hill was unnecessary and difficult to maintain. Trustee Buehler discussed installing bleachers and Trustee Derrick felt that low maintenance, spreading perennials would be useful. Planting the back hill was budgeted to be \$2,000.

### **Pool Committee: Paul Buehler, Chairperson**

- The treasurer has paid Lighthouse \$2,000. \$4,400 will be paid after the health department inspection and opening.
- They have been asked to paint swim team lane lines while the pool is empty. Painting is free, but tiles might look better but may damage the white coat. Trustee Buehler will check to make sure all repairs are made before it is refilled.
- Pool Committee budgeted \$8,000 for: Foosball tables (\$600), tall umbrellas, picnic tables, sunguard structures, shade structures, concrete pad, backstroke poles. The backstroke poles should be a swim team expense. Trustee Derrick reiterated that expenditures over \$1,000 need three bids. Trustee Buehler made a motion to approve the expenditures under \$1,000 and Trustee Jacobs seconded the motion. After discussion, Trustee Buehler amended the motion to approve the purchase of 1) Foosball table (not to exceed \$600); 2) Grill (not to exceed \$600); 3) Two

lifeguard umbrellas (\$178); 4) Four tall umbrellas (\$1,000). Trustee Jacobs seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

- The Executive Committee reviewed four bids and approved American Pool's bid (\$13,900) to repair the skimmers (\$1,350), leak in the baby pool (\$3,200), new 15 hp pump/strainer/impeller (\$9,000). Trustee Derrick will sign the final contract.

**Security Committee: Richard Dengler, Chairperson**

- Two robberies occurred lately (Royal Ridge and Oxwell). No one got into the house in the first one, and nothing was taken in the second.
- The non-emergency number has been very unresponsive to calls from the community and Trustee Dengler will discuss this with the police chief.
- Neighborhood Watch Program Meeting will be April 27.
- Security cameras were approved a while ago for use at the pool. The logistics and placement have not been worked out.
- Protocols are needed for the next meeting.
- Trustee Keating asked for the doors at the pool to be rekeyed.

**Tennis Committee: Lillian Fazio, Chairperson**

The fence is being repainted and the screens will be put up. The resurfacing will take place when the weather permits. Painting will be done around the backboard rather than take it down.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- Trustee Keating said someone from Deerfield would attend a board meeting to discuss our gift offer.

**NEW BUSINESS**

A member asked about inconsistent actions by the ACCC. He reported that someone was fined \$50 for installing an oversized shed, while some else was fined \$500. Trustee Keating explained that the two issues were actually very different. The size of the shed in the first matter was within the permitted size and the owner submitted an approval form. The owner in the second matter has refused delivery of correspondence with the ACCC, and a committee member hand-delivered the correspondence. All attempts to work with the owner have been rebuffed.

There seem to be fewer vultures in the neighborhood. The letter to Eastbourne neighbors has been finalized and will be sent tomorrow.

A member asked about the bushes around the tennis courts. Trustee Keating discussed the ongoing plans to improve that landscaping. He explained that \$25,000 was going to resurfacing and possibly \$3,000 for fixing low spots; replacing the fence would cost \$14,000; and needed repairs at the pool were \$14,000. Replacing the fence was pushed back for a while and the tennis committee can begin suggesting and estimating what is needed. A new pad will be put in for the drinking fountain while other concrete work is done at the pool. The old windscreen will be disposed of, benches will be repaired and a runner put under the benches to they don't sink. Two tennis players present did not think that lights should be installed at the tennis courts.

The next board meeting will be held on **Tuesday, May 12, 2011 at 7:00 PM** at Deerfield Recreation Center, preschool room. The motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 8:46 pm. The motion passed unanimously.