

Woodmont Country Club BOD Meeting Minutes

October 28, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 PM

Attendees: Brian Jacobson, Melody Edmiston, Toni Lund, Gary McLean, Ali Saccone, Susan Cwiernia, Karin Stender, Jim Stender, Eileen Clemens, Dan Himelic

General:

- Approval of Agenda
 - There were no additions to the agenda and a motion was made to approve without amendments.
 - Motion was approved unanimously.
- Meeting Minutes
 - Motion was made to approve meeting minutes from August 5th meeting. Motion was approved.
 - Motion was made to approve meeting minutes from September 2nd meeting. Motion was approved.

President's Report (Brian)

- Coffee with the Board- September coffee event was well attended.
 - There was interest in the club directory which was reviewed. New directory issued EOY and 2021 is not a year for new directory. Will consider an alternate electronic PDF version to update directory to include all of the new members that have recently moved to Woodmont.
 - Request to include a map of WCC club boundaries and homes. This may also help document history club. Plan to investigate updating old club map.
 - Suggestion to use Clast to communicate Lakehaven project in lower Woodmont and the project manager contact info. This has been done in recent Blasts.
 - Big focus on community safety concerns with discussions of possible Block Watch programs. Woodmont Citizen's Action Committee already exists as possible resource. Ongoing traffic concerns were also expressed.
 - Recommendation from Steve Edmiston understand status of club pieces of property and explore future designations as historic areas to protect our property
- Eulberg Improvements- a hedge arborvitae was planted between the shuffleboard court. They were kind and did notify the club.
- Tennis Court Improvements

- Contractor was supposed to eliminate weeds growing in court. Club members recently noticed weeds starting to grow through cracks. Contacted the contractor to send pictures and discuss resolution. Brian has arranged to meet with the contractor soon with the expectation that this will be resolved soon. Contractor is licensed and bonded.
- Progress on the new fence and gate - The old fence and gate have been ripped out with assistance of community members Dan Himelic, Russ Powers and Brian Jacobson. New locking key pad has been obtained. Project should wrap up in the next week.
- Lakehaven Waterline Replacement Project & Pedestrian Improvements in Canyon- now might be the best opportunity to ask the city about improved pedestrian access sidewalks in certain areas of the canyons. Also discuss guardrail now that trees have been removed at top of canyon.
- Insurance Policy- Eileen forwarded the 2 club insurance policies (D&O & Liability) which have been paid. Reviewing coverage which has been determined to be adequate.
- Thank you cards to members for donations- Ali and Brian have sent out thank you cards to those members.

Treasurer's Report (Eileen)

- Recent expenses include the tennis court resurface, special fence project for tennis court, real estate taxes, insurance. The social budget line item for the Bootlegger Bash includes the sunshades.
- The budget has a special project line item that includes funds to paint the plaza gate. The board is currently reviewing this project.
- Some budget is currently available in maintenance line item that could be used for gate improvements.

Old Business

- Boat Launch Committee Report- Gary McLean summarized the numerous meetings of the boat launch committee since July including review of statutes, codes, regulations, rules from other clubs, consideration of all recreational interests, risk management, best practices, and interests of shared spaces. The committee is developing draft consensus but not ready to present final recommendations. The final recommendations will be packaged up with a rationale document to present to the board by hopefully the next meeting.
- Establish committee for revising tree policy- Goal is to develop a simpler tree policy that is easier for members to understand and can be included in the directory. Jim Stender, Karin Stender and Melody Edmiston volunteered for this committee.

- Shared File Storage- the current Google Drive file storage is not working because board members must have gmail account to access full functionality. The board decided to discontinue use of Google and return to DropBox file storage.

New Business

- Neighborhood Safety/Blockwatch- Brian talked to Tanya Seebury, Community Resource Manager for City of Des Moines. Blockwatch is recommended for the community with coordination of WCC because it gets better response from the city. It was suggested that the board have future discussions about this.

Committees Reports

Maintenance (Toni)

- The shed lock has been replaced by a keypad and the code will be shared with President, Social and Maintenance committee members.
- Faucet down at plaza is no longer “mushy”
- The Dog Trail has been repaired.
- There are holes in the North Beach trail caused by animals that need to be investigated for repair.
- Thank you to the club and board members for all of their volunteer work.

Trees (Jim)

- Recent report was sent to the board that has yet to be reviewed.
- There is concern for the number of trees that were recently cut at the top of the canyon. Jim will reach out to Denis Lathrop from the City of Des Moines to discuss.

Property Interests (Gary)

- Nothing further to report

Social (Karin)

- Discussed if Tour de Woodmont will be held this year. The board agreed that due to pandemic should be cancelled.
- Will continue Wander Woodmont as the holiday event and discussed initial preparations for this event.
- The board will credit David Rosen for his photo that will be used on the next WCC Directory.

Communications (Melody)

- Nothing further to report

The next meeting will be held on Monday, November 15, 2021. Meeting adjourned at 9:36 PM.