

Woodmont Country Club BOD Meeting Minutes

November 15, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 7:11 PM.

Attendees: Brian Jacobson, Melody Edmiston, Toni Lund, Gary McLean, Ali Saccone, Susan Cwiertnia, Karin Stender, Jim Stender, and Eileen Clemens

General:

- Approval of Agenda
 - There were no additions to the agenda and Jim made a motion to approve which was seconded by Toni.
 - Motion was approved unanimously.
- Meeting Minutes
 - Corrections to draft meeting minutes for misspelling and budget report items were discussed.
 - Motion was made to approve meeting minutes from October 28th meeting with corrections by Brian. Jim seconded and the motion was approved.

President's Report (Brian)

- Reviewed the Quarterly Goals and Calendar for the Board
 - Q1 Boat Launch and Bluff Management
 - Q2 Bluff Management and Plaza Entryway
 - Q3 Bylaw Review and Property Review
 - Q4 Preparations for annual meeting including budget; Open for other items
- Electronic Directory
 - Big thanks to Ali and Melody for working on the member database to get the directory updated and ready
 - Suggestion to distribute in the next WCC Blast
 - Ask members to please use the directory to promote community relations and positive communications.
 - Toni made a motion to create a rule that the club directory should not be shared with non-members or be used for commercial interests. Motion was seconded by Jim. The motion was unanimously approved.
- Plaza Holiday Decorating- Some members of the community have shown interest in decorations in the plaza for the holidays. We appreciate all the great ideas and energy of our members to contribute to our common space. The next Blast will ask members to present their decoration ideas to the board for approval for the next meeting.

- Lower Woodmont Guardrail- Brian contacted the city to discuss this issue but the city was non-responsive. A truck showed up with the new guardrails and Brian with the assistance of a city council member was able to coordinate placement of the new guardrails 3 feet back versus on the fog line to allow room for pedestrians. Communications will be ongoing for improvements to make this walkable.
- Sport Court Entry Code- The new mechanical keypad at the sport court will not allow duplicate digits for the code. Therefore, we need a different code for this gate which will be 1052. Decisions for new future gate codes should take this into consideration so that we can avoid multiple codes.

Treasurer's Report (Eileen)

- Eileen discussed that the board should review and carefully consider providers (Paypal or Zelle) for the new digital membership form due to concerns for cost per transaction.
- Eileen and Ali will review this further

Old Business

- Boat Launch Committee Report
 - Gary presented the committee's draft recommendations and rationale to the entire board in a brief review
 - The board will now review the documents for suggestions and edits to discuss at the next meeting and finalize the draft. This time is needed properly review the content including hot links to referenced sources.
- Neighborhood Watch
 - Brian made a proposal that the board should consider Woodmont Country Club establishing a neighborhood watch program to promote safety.
 - Several ideas were discussed to support the formation of block watch groups and the board will continue to review. First steps will be to ask for community volunteers in the next Blast.
- Tree Policy-
 - Jim Stender recommended that the board should review the current tree policy to understand if it is still relevant. Some of the rules are contradictory, inconsistent and are not working.
 - Rules regarding control of ivy and tree trimming should be de-coupled
 - The club should focus on measures promoting the health of native vegetation on the bluff and forest.
 - Recommendation was made to move tree policy sub-committee meetings to Q3 to allow time for review of current policy.
- Plaza Gate- this topic was tabled for this meeting.

New Business

- Entry Sign- Brian presented examples of signs in other communities and some potential concept ideas for the Woodmont Plaza entry sign. Some ideas for lighting of the sign were discussed.

- Hole on Bootlegger Trail – There has been a large persistent hole on the trail that was thought to be caused by mountain beavers. Recently water was seen running through the hole on a dry day. After further investigation, the hole is likely being caused by erosion from nearby residential downspout pipe. The board will contact the member so that they are aware and can get the issue repaired.

Committee Reports

Maintenance – Toni

- Would like to schedule an ivy trim work party weather permitting for the bottom of the Al Smith stairs.
- Even with all the recent rain, the hose bib is not as mushy
- Water is collecting in culvert near the bottom of Dog Trail and will contact Lakehaven to discuss.

Tree – Jim

- Jim has been consulting with King County Conversation District and Evergreen Tree Care to understand more about the WCC property needs since we are in Des Moines Critical Area
- A club member recently had a gardener leave trimmings on the trail. They were contacted by the club and trimmings were cleaned up the next day.
- As previously discussed, the tree sub-committee will reschedule their planned meeting

Membership – Ali

- She is excited to send the new PDF directory out to the members.
- The club needs to purchase additional postcards and brochures that are used as part of the welcome package to new community residents
- B&E Meats kindly donates a gift certificate for \$25 for all new members so the Club should remember to thank them for their support.

Communications – Melody

- Melody would like to engage in community feedback by sending out a poll to members for their opinion. Some potential topics to include are entry sign, block watch, use of club property south of boat storage, lighting and sunshade poles for summer, and food truck Fridays. Open to additional suggestions.

Meeting adjourned at 9:51 PM