

Woodmont Country Club BOD Meeting Minutes

December 2, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 7:14 PM.

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

General:

- Approval of Agenda
 - There were no additions to the agenda and Dan made a motion to approve which was seconded by Jim.
 - Motion was approved unanimously.
- Meeting Minutes
 - Motion was made to approve meeting minutes from November 15th meeting with corrections by Jim. Melody seconded and the motion was approved.

President's Report (Brian)

- Neighborhood safety/Blockwatch update
 - A call for volunteers went out in the last WCC Blast. There was little interest with only two people have responded to volunteer.
 - Next steps with several options including the level of club involvement in this project were discussed.
 - Will reach out to one of the volunteers to see if they want to be lead for the club.
 - Will post on Facebook to continue recruitment for volunteers
- Bootlegger Trail water issue update- Brian reached out to the homeowner regarding the water drainage. They found out that one of their pumps was not working. It is now repaired and the water drainage on the trail resolved. Two side issues were discovered because of this interaction.
 - Side Issue #1- Other homeowners along the trail might not be required to pump water to the storm drain. There are concerns for where this water is going and may need to investigate with the city or code enforcement.
 - Side Issue #2- An adjacent homeowner is building a retaining wall that may be encroaching on the right of way to the Bootlegger Trail. This is not club property so not an issue for the board.

- Canyon Pedestrian Pathway update- Even though this is not a club issue, Brian reached out to Andrew Merges, the Director of Public Works to further explore possibilities for a pathway along Woodmont Beach Rd.
 - Not a priority for the city due to high cost of \$ 0.5- 1 million for the project. It only benefits an isolated part of the Des Moines community, and they get many requests that are more of a priority.
 - The walkway along the 8th avenue guardrail could be improved by removing the ivy, leveling the slope and installing a double thick shoulder for an 80% sure solution.
 - It was also realized during these conversations that any plans to improve the plaza entry way including a new sign would need to be presented to the city for approval before installation.
- North Beach Request to grade the road- the grading to the road was performed after storm damage to the road.
 - The board asked for the residents to provide notice to the board about improvement projects so that they can be reviewed in advance.
 - The board would need to know the scope of the project, point person, contractor, insurance coverage and permits were obtained as applicable.
 - Dan Himelic volunteered to be the point person for the North Beach residents.
 - The board will create a form to submit for these project requests as a Q3 goal.
- Christmas Decorations-
 - The board was able to approve plaza decorations request via email. Will ask that future requests are sent in time for board to review and approve during meetings. Complex requests should not be discussed via email.
 - Decorations were set up but noticed that the lights are on all the time possibly due to timer issue. Will reach out to the group that installed décor to resolve.

Treasurer's Report (Eileen)

- There hasn't been much activity since the October report.
- There have been discussions about the online membership form which will continue to be used. Credit Card payments that generate a fee have been abandoned but will continue to accept Zelle.

Old Business

- Boat Launch Recommendation- The final document package including the rational and rule proposed by the boat launch committee was presented to the board.
 - Board members did not have any changes to recommend for the rational document.

- The rule document substance was good with minor changes to the format requested.
- Timeline and communications were discussed for sending out to membership so that they can plan for the ballot.
 - WCC December Blast will notify members of upcoming timeline milestones
 - January 6th the voting opens with ballot sent out to membership
 - January 8th will be Coffee with the Board at 10 AM
 - January 16th voting will close. This allows 10 days and 2 weekends for membership to read ballot and vote.
- The following motion was presented by Jim and seconded by Eileen. The motion was approved unanimously by the full board.

Motion: Based upon the Rationale memo and links prepared by the Board's subcommittee created to study the boat ramp and beach driving issue, to accept the recommendation from the subcommittee for an amended Boat Ramp rule substantially as presented at the December 2nd meeting, and to recommend concurrence by the membership using an online voting platform in January of 2022.

- A second motion was made by Toni and seconded by Jim. The motion passed unanimously by the full board.

Motion: To delegate authority to the Communications Chair, the President, and the Subcommittee Chair, to generate appropriate Club communications and an electronic ballot for purposes of concurring with the proposed Boat Ramp rule amendment or retaining the current boat launch rule. As previously decided by the Board, if a majority vote of the Club membership supports the Committee's recommendation for an amended rule, it will take effect at conclusion of the voting process.

- Tree Policy- discussion was tabled at this meeting due to time constraints.
- Plaza Entry Sign and Gate- discussion was tabled at this meeting due to time constraints.

Committee Reports

Maintenance (Toni)

- There is still concern and need for clean up at the Al Smith stairs. A Lakehaven water main break caused additional mess on the property. Will contact Lakehaven to see if they can clean.

Communications (Melody)

- Would like to review and updated rules for Facebook and proposed and official club Social Media Rule. There are some rules on the club Facebook page, but these don't appear in the official club rules on the WCC website.

Membership (Ali)

- There have been two new club members join recently. There used the new online form without any difficulty. Zelle payment or a check has not been received yet so need to follow up if Zelle is working.
- She is in process of merging spread sheets to streamline club membership database and process. The updated membership database is in Dropbox now.

Property Interests (Gary)

- Nothing further to report.

Trees (Jim)

- He has been doing research to prepare for review of tree policy including review of LAUs (Land Use Act) from the city.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 6th with host TBD. The February 3rd meeting will be hosted by Ali.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 PM.