

Woodmont Country Club BOD Minutes

April 4, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m.

Attendees: Brian Jacobson, Mary Paynter, Ali Saccone, Vicki Andrews, Gary McLean, Patti Petruska, Sarah Michel remotely, and Amanda Jackson.

General:

Approval of Agenda: Amanda moved and Ali seconded a motion to approve the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes of meeting of 3-7-2024. Gary proposed and Ali seconded a motion to amend the minutes. The motion to approve the minutes as amended passed unanimously.

President's Report (Brian)

Brian has looked at the Treasurer's financial reports and bank records; everything appears to be in order.

Board Member Resignation Brian noted that Michaelangel Mestichella notified Brian of his decision to resign from the Board. His resignation is accepted and noted for the minutes.

Recap of General Meeting of March 21, 2024

Brian noted that there appeared to be some organized groups who were prepared with comments. There seems to be a clear need for the Board to provide opportunities for members to raise concerns in a way that can be more productive and that does not overwhelm our annual meetings. There may also be a need for the Board to provide responses so members have a better understanding of some of our current club issues. Brian stated that the March meeting is designed to allow for more member comment, but the May meeting is designed less for deliberation and more to vote on vacant Board positions and a budget that may be influenced by comments heard from members in March.

The Board discussed the General Meeting of 3-21-2024.

Board members' comments included the following:

Support for our President's efforts to allow members to express their feelings and have a voice in Club issues while at the same time maintaining decorum and respect for one another as neighbors and fellow WCC members.

Some members used the opportunity to speak up at a General Meeting as a way to note individual concerns that could be dealt with more appropriately by contacting the Board directly

via Club email. Examples: specific maintenance concerns, not getting Club emails, difficulty paying dues or establishing membership.

The March General membership meeting is a chance for members to raise and discuss issues. Some free but respectful discussion of issues that are of general interest is appropriate at the March meeting.

Board members were dismayed at the hostile tone adopted by some speakers and noted how intensely some members feel about issues such as Trees and spending money on attorneys' fees.

Board members noted that many people in attendance had little or no knowledge of the Plaza issues that the Board has been contending with over the past several months. Now that the Board is no longer constrained by maintaining the confidentiality of the involved members, it will be easier for the Board to bring the general members up to speed on the issues.

At the May General meeting we will need to adhere more closely to the agenda, which will include electing new Board members and officers, and passing the 24-25 Budget. We may need a way to enforce time limits for speakers.

Treasurer's Report Nothing to report.

Unfinished Business None

Executive Session

Real Estate

End of Executive Session

Executive Session

Legal

End of Executive Session

New Business

Tree Policy/Board Document

We reviewed a draft document from the tree committee.

We discussed next steps and how to address comments from members at the March 21 General Meeting.

Motion: Gary moved and Vicki seconded a motion to increase the proposed Critical Areas budget from \$3500 to \$7000. Motion passed unanimously.

Communication to the Community Amanda will craft a letter informing the WCC Members about

Watershed property

Critical areas

Plaza property issues

After the letter goes out, we will provide an opportunity for members to meet in person with the Board. This Coffee With the Board will be held 4-27-24.

Large Parties We need to address the problem of large group events at the Plaza, especially weddings. Discussion—possibly a large deposit could be required to deter large events and pay for the extra services such events involve.

Committee Reports

Communication Nothing reported.

Trees (Patti)

Kirsten Johansen's project is complete.

Trimming of Tree #83 (west of Tree #84) was requested by a member. We are not trimming Tree #83 because our arborist had no recommendation for trimming.

We are working on improving the tag number system as some of the tags have become unreadable.

Maintenance (Dan) Ryan Manning has committed to regular mowing at the Plaza and trimming vegetation back from the trails. He is looking into devising some kind of safety railing added to North Beach Road where there is a drop-off, improvement of big step on North Beach steps and some kind of improvement of traction on the steps, likely not sandpaper.

Spring cleanup is scheduled for April 20.

Membership (Ali)

Two new homeowners, one on 10th and 270th, and one on 7th (Davis's old house) will join.

Membership opens 5/1/24.

Re: Member who expressed dissatisfaction with process at the March meeting—Ali made numerous attempts to contact this member and complete the process.

Property Interests (Gary) Nothing to report.

May 2 Board meeting location to be determined.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:50.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Paynter

WCC Secretary