

Woodmont Country Club
Membership Meeting Minutes

May 19, 2015

Board Members Present: Jim Boyd
Carol Belland
Sue Clarke
Jan Markquart
Jennifer Jacobson

Rick Devitte
Sharon Morehouse
Jim Wadhvani
Mike Gibbons
Cara Zemanek

Board Members Absent:

Call to Order: Jim Boyd called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM.

Roll Call: Jim Wadhvani called roll. There were 39 households present, which constitutes a quorum.

Agenda Approval: The agenda was approved as presented.

Minutes: It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the March 19, 2015 membership meeting.

President's Report: Jim Boyd thanked members for a great turnout at tonight's meeting and welcomed several new members. He reminded the members that 2015 marked the 100 year anniversary of the Woodmont Country Club. The Board has a number of events planned to celebrate this milestone. Jim then continued with the following items in his report:

- Jim stated that after serving for 5 years, he would be stepping down as President, and Rick Devitte has agreed to run for this position. Board elections will be held later in the meeting.
- Jim stated the Board has followed up on the WCC boundary expansion, a great deal of work has been done on this project and a vote on the proposal is on the agenda for tonight.
- Currently the WCC bylaws give the Board a spending limit of \$1K without prior membership approval. The Board is recommending this move to \$5K and will bring a motion is on tonight's agenda.
- The Board has approved a \$50 fee for boat storage to begin June 1. A committee was formed and there will be a report later in the meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Jim Wadhvani reviewed the current budget. We have collected approximately \$5K more than budgeted for this year to date. Jim reported there are currently 106 paid member households.

Approval of minutes – March 19, 2015: The minutes of the March meeting were handed out to members. Minutes were approved as presented.

Old Business

Motion to increase Board spending cap: A motion was presented by the Board to raise the current spending cap of \$1,000 without prior membership approval. A discussion ensued about the amount of \$5K and if that was too much considering the membership votes on the yearly budget which should include all anticipated needs. After a long discussion, Brian Jacobson amended the motion to a cap of \$2,000. Motion was seconded by Larry Knutson. That motion was voted on by the membership and did not pass. A subsequent motion to raise the board spending cap to \$5,000 was proposed and seconded. This motion passed with 33 votes for and 7 against.

WCC Potential Expansion: Jim Boyd explained steps the WCC Board has taken to look at the possible expansion of the WCC boundaries. They include:

- Sent a package of information to 41 potential households. Received 27 responses, of which 21 were yes, 5 no and 1 undecided.
- Retained a land use attorney and presented proposal and package of historical documents to all members.
- Invited attorney to answer member questions for tonight's meeting.
- Jim then introduced Dianne Conway of Gordon Thomas Honeywell in Tacoma.
- Ms. Conway then explained to the membership that all that was needed was changes outlining membership in the bylaws and a 2/3 "yes" vote as required by the bylaws. She answered a number of membership questions regarding:
 - Increase in WCC insurance coverage – should not matter
 - Associate members or regular members – same membership as available to current members
 - Initiation fee at \$25. – yes same as currently existing for new members
 - Can our tax status be harmed – no only if laws are changed
- A ballot was then given to members present to vote.
- The expansion proposal passed 29 household for and 11 against.

WCC 100 Year Anniversary: Edie Staiger and AnaLee fluegel gave an overview of events planned for this occasion. Saturday July 25, is the date for the Boolegger Bash. Tickets are available tonight as are orders for T shirts and sweatshirts with a newly designed WCC logo.

New Business

Plaza Boat Storage: Brian Jacobson gave a report about the work an ad hoc committee has been discussing. The committee recommends the following:

- Build a boat/kayak rack that will accommodate as many requests of possible.
- Fees would be: Boats – initiation \$100 and then \$60 per year, Kayaks - \$75 initiation and then \$50 per year
- The committee is working on finalizing design ideas for the rack and wants to have it built in the next month or so.
- Brian thanked his committee and told those that have boats or kayaks stored at the beach now can pay their new fees with their 2015-2016 dues.

Budget 2015-2016: Jim Wadhvani presented information on the proposed budget for 2015-2016 as members reviewed his handout. Jim explained that membership dues were based on current membership, not an expanded membership. Year over year increases included: postage, maintenance for gate, shed and tables, social, real estate taxes and 100 year anniversary celebration. Motion to approve was made and seconded, and was passed unanimously.

Board elections 2015-2016: Jim Boyd called on Calvin Gligorea and Edie Staiger to present the report of the Nominating committee. They present the slate of candidates for the Board and a motion was made to accept the slate as presented.

Committee Reports

- **Trees:** Sue Clarke spoke about a new tree ordinance that has been put in place by the City of Des Moines. Permits are needed for the cutting of most trees and there are severe penalties if permits are not obtained. Sue explained that the Board will follow through with the City to determine what this may mean for trees in the WCC property and the maintenance of these going forward.
- **Social:** AnaLee Fluegel and Edie Staiger gave an overview of the 100 year anniversary event to be held on July 25. They thanked the committee for the work to make this Bootlegger Bash one to remember. AnaLee also asked for volunteers for the Kid's Parade to be held August 15. A WCC Events calendar was handed out to all members and will be posted to the website.
- **Membership:** Sharon Morehouse welcomed new members and explained that membership packets are available and encouraged members to contact new neighbors to join the WCC.
- **Communication:** Cara Zemanek reported the website and Facebook responsibilities will be turned over to Jennifer Jacobson.
- **Maintenance:** Mike Gibbons thanked Jordan Clemans for building the new serving tables at the plaza. This was done as part of an Jordan's Eagle Scout project. Also the electrical outlets at the Plaza have been repaired. The board continues to work on ideas for the Bootlegger Trail repair where a slide has taken out part of the pathway and thanks Jim Stender for his work on maintaining the plaza gate.
- **Plaza Reservations:** Jan Markquart reported she has turned over the Plaza reservations responsibility to Debra Seiler.

Other Business

- There was no other business added to the agenda.

Adjournment: It was moved and second to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 PM

Respectfully submitted

Carol Belland, Secretary