**BOARD MEETING – May 17, 2023**

**PRESENT:**

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| MICHELLE CROMWELL  ROGER CROOK  PAT DEGNAN  SCOT DESORT  DANIEL GRANT | MICHAEL ILARDI  GLEN KATZ  MARK KEMPNER  STEVEN KOENIGSBERG  ~~DEBORAH LINNELL~~ | MICHAEL LYNCH  DARYL MACELLARO  JOANNE MACHALABA  BEVERLY NEMIROFF | KRISTEN NEU  BARRY SILBIGER  MICHAEL STOCKNOFF |

**ADMINISTRATION:** ROBERT ROSSMEISSEL, Esq.,

**ARRIVED LATE**: Daryl Macellaro @ 8:11pm

**LEFT EARLY**: None

**ABSENT:** Deborah Linnell

Michael Ilardi, President, called the meeting to order on Wednesday, May 17, 2023, at 8:01pm

Michelle Cromwell, Roll Call

Greetings & Salute to the flag & Pledge of Allegiance- Led by Pat Degnan

**MOTION #1**: Motion to approve the minutes of the April 19, 2023 Board Meeting.

**Motion by: Michael Ilardi, President 2nd by: Pat Degnan, Director**

Discussion:

* None

**Motion Carried**

# CORRESPONDENCE

* Received information from Honeycomb Insurance. Passed it along to the Insurance Committee.

**GOOD & WELFARE**

* **Pat Degnan**, 88 Valley View Drive, Some of you may have noticed that a motion for the NYE caterer has been removed from the originally sent board packet. I asked Suzie to remove it because there were a number of email conversations which created an unnecessary controversy surrounding this motion.

This motion was discussed in committee & at the time I did not have a corrected copy of the contract from the caterer & did not think I would have it before it was needed for the May board packet so HAC did decide to have it put on the June meeting’s agenda. The caterer was very quick to return the corrected contract & so I sent a motion to Suzie without going back to the committee for approval (my mistake) to include in this month’s packet.

Since I am only a HAC committee member & all motions need to come from a Board member, I thought it should come from one the Chairpersons either Ami or Kristen but I forgot, because of all the work she does, that Ami is Co-Chair but not a Board member & I put her as the issuer of the motion in error.

A simple email from Kristen asking me to remove this motion from this month’s meeting would have avoided all the extra work especially since in one of my emails I did apologize for my mistake.

I feel this was a very childish way to handle this situation & while I am committed to chairing the Summer Kick-Off on Sunday, May 28th from 4-7pm & NYE, I will honor these commitments but I do not feel that I can truthfully say that I will do so in the future.

* WML Fire Department will be holding a Memorial Day sunrise service on 5/29 at the WML Firehouse. Breakfast will be served.
* **Kristen Neu**, 42 Seneca Ave, In regards to Pat’s comment, I have no issue with the motion, event and vendor. Questioned how the motion was in the board packet without both the chairs and committee knowing about it. It was previously agreed upon that the motion would go the board in June once we had the needed information. I would like a response to her last email asking the same question.
* Discussed in committee but Pat didn’t have the paperwork back from the vendor. Committee was aware but didn’t vote on it. Board approves motion based on vendor & dollar amount.
* Wouldn’t contractual paperwork follow up after the motion? Yes.

# PRESIDENT’S REPORT: Michael Ilardi, President

* COLA meeting was held here. It was well attended & I received many compliments on our facilities.
* Newsletter deadline has always been the 10th, please make note of it for yourselves.
* Blood Drive, 3rd one this year. Collected 75 units & we are up to 214 units. Next blood drive will be July 25th.
* Women’s Club: Market place event was held on two different days due to the weather.
* Civic Affairs: Candidates night held May 22. Three people are running for mayor. Recently had a mental health event but it was not well attended. Please support this committee.
* Food Truck Friday: Even with rain it was very crowded. Kristen does a lot of work for this event and it’s popular in this community. Bar & Rental chips in to help with event.
* Laurie collects back dues and she passed the $2 million mark this year.

# TREASURER’S REPORT

- Through April, the POA spent $626K, 30% of the budget. 79% of dues have been collected. Nothing else notable.

- Country Club net income is $323K, majority from camp.

- Cash Summary - nothing notable

- Financial Audit nearly completed with the draft reports in WML review.

- Recognized Laurie Marks for outstanding achievement in delinquent dues collection exceeding $2 million!

- Comment from Board member that the POA bank balances are closer to FDIC limits.

- Brief 2022 Year-End recap:

POA: 91% of the budget was spent.  The majority of committees spent as planned and are encouraged to review their own year-end details.

Country Club: Net income of $182,697 with Camp having a banner year with $102,000 in revenue, Bar & Rental $73,000, Preschool $21,000 and House Activities $11,000.  Festival Day did very well making $7,600.  General expenses were $29,000.  A historical review of Country Club financials is being worked on to share with the Board at an upcoming meeting.

# LEGAL COUNSEL’S REPORT

-Attorney-no report

Discussion: none

# COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Insurance Committee**: Committee worked with insurance broker to accurately value the clubhouse and adjust coverage. Increased our coverage by one million at a cost under a $1,000 for the year.

Regarding COLA meeting: Arrived that day & the outside looked incredible. Wants to recognize our beach committee chairs: Steve & Michelle as well as Charlie. Lucky to have them.

**Camp:** 164 campers so far, close to last year’s numbers & almost fully staffed. Still need an EMT.

**Marketing**: Looking for direction from the board regarding Facebook events on the POA page. We gave direction to the employee to create events on Facebook. Multiple events did not have an event created and we want to mirror what’s in our newsletter, website, signage and Facebook. Our committee is pursuing clear and consistent communication to our community across all our platforms. Shouldn’t we be creating all events?

This came up with festival ads. I believe that it’s not the Marketing Committee’s responsibility to create/post events. Committees should dictate when & how they should be posted. The Marketing Committee can ask the specific committee if they want something posted on the POA Facebook page.

Mark Kempner wanted the festival dates posted.

What is the correct process in how events are posted on our POA Facebook page?

The employee takes direction from the Marketing Committee.

Marketing should create/post events when asked by the specific committee.

Marketing Committee felt that the festival dates were important to post. If it’s in the newsletter, it should be posted on our Facebook page.

Events shouldn’t be created until asked by the specific committee.

I requested a post that wasn’t done. Why is there turnover with this position? More hours than one expects is necessary, other obligations, etc. Request should go directly to the marketing employee. If a weekday, the office staff may be able to help out as well.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**MOTION #2**: ATHLETICS PHONE VOTE: Motion to hire Sor Consulting Engineers for a soils analysis of the A-Field Tennis Court at a cost of $7,000. Money to come from line 501.10 which will overspend the line.

**Motion by: Daryl Macellaro, Director 2nd by: Michael Ilardi, President**

**Motion Carried**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Board:** Application for Household Membership (7)

Application for Household Membership dated: 3/30/2023

Consensus to accept: YES

**Board:** Application for Household Membership

Application for Household Membership dated: 4/27/2023

Consensus to accept: YES

**Board:** Application for Household Membership

Application for Household Membership dated: 4/28/2023

Consensus to accept: YES

**Board:** Application for Household Membership

Application for Household Membership dated: 5/1/2023

Consensus to accept: DECLINED/Associate Membership

**Board:** Application for Household Membership

Application for Household Membership dated: 5/1/2023

Consensus to accept: DECLINED

Discussion on #4 & #5, referring to Constitution/Guidelines/Rate of Associate Membership. Legal & By-Laws is already looking to revise the Constitution.

**Board:** Application for Household Membership

Application for Household Membership dated: 4/29/2023

Consensus to accept: YES

**Board:** Application for Household Membership

Application for Household Membership dated: 5/11/2023

Consensus to accept: YES

**MOTION #3:** Motion to accept the two WML contract addendums as approved by our attorney.

**Motion by: Michael Ilardi, President 2nd by: Barry Silbiger, Director**

Discussion: Attorney: Any time we contract with anyone personally, we always sign their contract. This helps protect WML. We can agree to changes, but it puts it on them to not want to agree to our contract.

**Motion Carried**

**FYI: Festival Day:** Hired Prestige Private Security to supply security guards on 7/15 & 7/16 of festival days at a cost of $1,066.25. Money to come from Country Club.

**FYI: Bar & Rental:** Hired Jimmy Concrete to repair the GL Bar flooring at a cost of $1,350. Money to come from Country Club.

**FYI: Bar & Rental:** Payment of $1,122.50 to Ascap for music license fees. Money to come from Country Club.

**MOTION #4:** Motion to hire Antonio Camacho for $3,500 to provide three comedians for comedy night on November 18, 2023. Money to come from ticket sales/CC.

**Motion by: Kristen Neu, Director 2nd by: Michael Ilardi, President**

Discussion: None

**Motion Carried**

Committee requests an exception to the guideline rule to sell tickets at different times. People buy in groups/tables. Heavily attended by members. -Approved by show of hands.

**MOTION #5:** Motion to hire Hoi Polloi for the HAC beach party for $1,800. Monies to come from ticket sales/cc.

**Motion By: Kristen Neu, Director 2nd by: Mark Kempner, Past President**

Discussion:

* Is this open only to residents?
* No. Can be larger capacity since it’s held on the beach. Open to guests of members; not everyone.

**Motion Carried**

**GOOD AND WELFARE:**

**Charlie Bogusat**, 24 North Lake Shore Dr: The Township water quality committee discussed geese control and they want to try to get large properties to addling geese eggs. Harmful algae blooms exist and the state may mandate lake communities to do testing. Testing of PFO’s in the well, discovered near Katharine D. Malone Elementary School. Millings pile up at Tilcon, filed OPRA report for water tests. DEP grants for water quality restoration for nonpoint source pollution (refers to diffuse contamination of water or air that does not originate from a single discrete source. This type of pollution is often the cumulative effect of small amounts of contaminants gathered from a large area). They were closed in 2022 but may be coming. Meeting appears to be monthly.

**Rabbi Baumgarten,** 40 Lake Shore Dr: Not here to complain but wants to raise an issue for not only Chabad but also the Jewish Community. Festival Day runs very well. Our booth has run every year, except recently. In 2019 Festival Day was held on a fast holiday, 2020 due to COVID, and 2021 again falling on a fast holiday. Changes were made with food vendors, exceptions were made for the Chabad over the years to serve Kosher food for the Jewish community. Because we have been absent for several years & changes made; we now cannot sell certain foods if other vendors are selling it. We would like to know what we could do since we can’t offer Kosher hamburgers & hot dogs. We would be excluding & making it difficult for those that eat Kosher. Contracts were changed over the years but would like to have an exception made.

**Sean Trisler**, 91 Erie Avenue: This is my 2nd board meeting. What’s the point if the residents can’t speak during a board meeting. Before & after doesn’t help when voting is done. Disappointed that the board didn’t set a new precedence to change the membership policy.

**Pat Degnan**, 88 Valley View Dr: Monthly Committee Minutes Report. Many minutes are missing from certain committees & I would like to know what’s going on.

**MOTION TO GO INTO CLOSED CAUCUS 9:38 p.m.**

**Motion By: Michael Ilardi, President 2nd by: Daryl Macellaro, Director**

**MOTION TO RETURN FROM CLOSED CAUCUS 10:02 p.m.**

**ADJOURN AT 10:02 p.m.**

**Motion by: Michael Ilardi, President 2nd by: Mike Stocknoff, Director**

Next Board Meeting is Wednesday, June 21, 2023

Written & Submitted by: Suzie Palazzo

Approved by: Michael Ilardi, President