**BOARD MEETING – June 16, 2021**

**PRESENT:**

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| ROGER CROOK  PAT DEGNAN  SCOT DESORT  MICHAEL ILARDI | GLEN KATZ  ~~MARK KEMPNER~~  STEVEN KOENIGSBERG  DEBORAH LINNELL | MICHAEL LYNCH  DARYL MACELLARO  JOANNE MACHALABA  KRISTEN NEU | AMI NICKEL  BARRY SILBIGER  KIM STECHER  MICHAEL STOCKNOFF  PATRIZIA TRENTO |

**ADMINISTRATION:** ROBERT ROSSMEISSEL, Esq.

**ARRIVED LATE**: N/A  
**ABSENT:** MARK KEMPNER

Michael Ilardi, President, called the meeting to order on Wednesday, June 16, 2021 at 8:00 p.m.

Kim Stecher Roll Call

**MOTION #1**: Motion to approve the minutes of the May 19, 2021 Board Meeting.

**Motion by: Michael Ilardi 2nd by: Glen Katz**

Discussion: None

**Motion Carried**

# CORRESPONDENCE

* Anthony Volpe
  + Email sent to Mike Ilardi requesting use of our parking lot to gather residents ahead of a car parade for Pride around the lake on June 30th at 6:30 pm

Response:

* + Board consensus not needed, as this is not a formal event request; this request is just for using the parking lot as a gathering point/starting point for residents; no selling of goods/merchandise is permitted
  + Patricia T. to draft response to share with resident

**GOOD & WELFARE**

**Michael Puzio– Rockaway Township Mayor**

* Mayor addressed the Township’s Special Permit Ordinance from July 2020
* This permit was created to allow different types of events within the town such as MPAC at the Mall, Market at the Mall; original intent was not for government overreach, nor to negatively impact WML; he recommended to council last night to reduce permit fee within the ordinance

Response:

* + Concern that if Mayor Puzio makes exceptions for WML, the next mayor has the ability to rescind
  + Concern also about the solicitor/canvassing permit negatively impacting WML
  + Suggested an amendment to the ordinance to correct the vague language that doesn’t support original intent

**Bill** **Malzahn– 66 Upper Mountain Ave**

* Resident asked about large solar field near tennis courts
* Resident did research on tennis court material and gave information on difference surfaces and his recommendations

Response: None

**Josh Kroll– 6 Lenape Ave**

* Resident recommends installing card access to WML’s gated facilities

Response: None

**Barry Mendelsohn- 53 Oakland Ave**

* Resident asked for update on Lake/Security Subcommittee’s progress on rule enforcement
* Resident asked for clarification regarding camp usage of the tennis courts

Response:

* Clarified that the Tennis Subcommittee has been collaborating with Camp to ensure that they are able to have a tennis program at Camp in a safe way
* Clarified that Lake/Security Subcommittee will be meeting to continue to progress this initiative

# PRESIDENT’S REPORT

Michael Ilardi, President

* A letter was emailed to the board today from a resident; attorney was copied, but attorney has not yet received nor has been able to review
* Be aware of end time for events, as security does need to come and lock up
* Online TOPs program is coming soon and has many new features to benefit WML
* Reminder to committees to work on budgets for August board meeting
* Next Blood Drive is July 8 from 1-7p
* Reminder that Festival Day is four days this year, Thurs- Sunday
* Compliments to Women’s Club for achieving for Scholarship this year

Discussion: None

**OFFICE REPORT**

* June 2021 report distributed by email.

Discussion: None

**SITE MANAGER’S REPORT**

* June 2021 report distributed by email.

Discussion: None

**MAINTENANCE REPORT**

* None

Discussion: None

# TREASURER’S REPORT

Joanne Machalaba, Treasurer

* 87% POA dues collected through May
* Country Club net income looks good at $335k, but Camp and Preschool expenses will come soon
* B&R revenue is strong and approximately half of the YTD revenue came in May 2021
* FDIC balance limits are being monitored
* Special funds total around $1MM
* Reminder to Committees to work on budgets for 2022
* Audit is in full swing; all has been submitted and Auditors are working through it

Discussion: None

# LEGAL COUNSEL’S REPORT

* Nothing to report to the public

Discussion: None

# COMMITTEE REPORTS

Deborah Linnell, Camp

* + Camp hiring is done for the 2021 season

Scot Desort, Director

* Computer Committee has worked to improve speed of internet, upgrade lines, move off of Optimum and onto Fios; achieved faster speed with same cost
* Security: help is needed for festival, volunteers welcomed

Discussion: None

Patricia Trento, Director

* Women’s Club hired a preschool assistant, Caitlin Allen

Discussion: None

Daryl Macellaro, Director

* Swim team started this week with over 150 kids

Discussion: None

Ami Nickel, Director

* RT Racers requesting use of Circus Pool on June 23

Discussion:

* + The Circus Pool isn’t able to be rented

Joanne Machalaba, Treasurer

* Multiple committees have been looking into beach raking, based on minutes; are they all working together on this?

Discussion:

* + Research is being done to learn details and potential cost for the 2022 season
  + Clarification that the committees will collaborate

Michael Lynch, Director

* Question for preschool, will there be a meet and greet for potential preschool students

Discussion:

* + Yes, this is aimed to be done before the end of June
  + Request to communicate to parents via email

Glen Katz, 2nd VP

* Beach has been busy recently with great weather; however, some incidents have occurred recently that could have used the support of security

Discussion:

* + Lifeguards have always done this, but the change is evident in the way the public speaks to the lifeguards
  + Many other lakes are experiencing shortage in staffing
  + Michelle is strict with badges and great with training the staff to enforce our policies
  + This is a retraining year for our community to some extent as our existing rules were not always consistently followed

Steve Koenigsberg, Director

* Beach Committee: Due to staffing shortages, there is a proposal for modified staffing hours for the pools and beaches

Discussion:

* + Suggested keeping pools open for full hours, potentially have times with no gate guards
  + Update given for gate guard staffing; Suggested put out a call for volunteers as well

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

# NEW BUSINESS

# BOARD

- Application for Household Membership dated 6/2/2021

* + Consensus to accept: Yes

- Application for Household Membership dated 5/17/2021

* + Consensus to accept: Yes

- Application for Household Membership dated 6/5/2021

* + Consensus to accept: Yes

# MOTION #2: To spend up to $40,000 from the Equalization Fund to cover the emergency expenditure for the east side ballroom air conditioning system. Contract with Colella for $32,000 with an $8,000 contingency for any additional work including any carpentry or electrical work.

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

Discussion:

* + Confirmed the POA is the correct company to purchase; CC pays for original product, POA maintains the items
  + Clarified that we are not renting a temporary system until the new one is installed
  + Reserve study update is needed; this is currently on the reserve study

**Motion Tabled until July 2021**

# FYI: Women’s Club

- FYI: Hiring C Bar 6 Ranch Inc to supply ponies & a large zoo for the Women’s Club Fall Festival on 10/3/21 at a cost of $1,495. Money to come from line 539.09

Discussion:

* + Increases in costs across the board from vendors; multiple bids were obtained

# MOTION #3: To hire Jordan Transportation for the 2021 Camp Season for daily service for Camp transport. Cost not to exceed $52,000, monies to come from Country Club – lines 6101/6002 and will not overspend the lines.

**Motion by: Steve Koenigsberg, Director 2nd by: Michael Ilardi, President**

Discussion: None

**Motion Carried**

# MOTION #4: To hire Cullen Plumbing and Sewer to jet out lines from A-Field Restroom building to

# sewer main in Rockaway. Cost of $2025.88 (includes tax) monies split between Camp (Country Club) and Athletics (Line 501.12 Seed & Maintain A Field)

**Motion by: Steve Koenigsberg, Director 2nd by: Pat Degnan, Director**

Discussion: None

**Motion Carried**

# MOTION #5: To purchase lifeguard uniforms & shirts from California Beach Hut at a cost of $1,532. Money to come from line 503.15

**Motion by: Steve Koenigsberg, Director 2nd by: Michael Ilardi, President**

Discussion: This has not gone out to bid this year. Will go out to bid next year.

**Motion Carried**

# FYI: House Operations

- FYI: Hiring Waste Management for sanitation for the Clubhouse, Maintenance, Festival Day & Camp at a cost of $10,784. Money to come from line 537.04.

Discussion- FYI as it is bid out every three year

# Board Discussion

- Requesting board approval to send a letter to the Governor and Assembly people in support of NJ Bill A4979/S3584

Discussion

* Clarification that any actions are not required of WML through the bill
* Consensus to send letter to Governor and Assembly People: Yes

# GOOD & WELFARE

**Josh Kroll– 6 Lenape Ave**

* Resident suggested WML facilities to be secured with digital cards and turn styles; no need for badge checking; no need to go to office for new stickers, etc. since it’s automatically updated

Response:

* Concern about risk of people sharing badges and compromising security
* Confirmed Security Committee is looking into this again; this has been researched many times in the past and the cost and logistics of implementing was very prohibitive

**Barry Mendelsohn, 53 Oakland Ave**

* Resident asking for clarification on how ratios of people in the water is managed; suggesting adding a sign on days that we know there are staffing shortages

Response:

* Clarification that beaches are still open “at our own risk” if there are no lifeguards

**Motion to enter into Closed Caucus at 9:56 pm**

**Motion by: Michael Ilardi, President 2nd by: Roger Crook, 1st Vice President**

**Motion to conclude Closed Caucus at 11:26 pm**

**Motion by: Michael Ilardi, President 2nd by: Scot Desort, Director**

# MOTION #6: To accept salary changes discussed in closed caucus.

**Motion by: Michael Ilardi, President 2nd by: Scot Desort, Director**

Discussion: None

**Motion Carried**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 11:27 p.m.**

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

Next Board Meeting is Wednesday, July 21st, 2021 @ 8:00 p.m.

Written & Submitted by: Kristen Neu, Director

Approved by: Michael Ilardi, President