

## **Meeting Minutes from May 9, 2016**

### **Carefree Club, Inc.**

**Present:** Erich Bauer, Jess Carrasquillo, Sandra Carrasquillo, Andrew Hart (Arrived at 7:30pm), Jamie Hawkins, Bev Huldeen, Naomi Lantrip, Patrick McMahon, Ellen Marrow, Renee-Ann Pikulik, Linda Stemnock, Steve Stemnock

**Guests:** 5 guests were present

**Absent:** Steve Wisdom, Josh Wisby

**Minutes from April 2016 meeting:** Motion to approve as corrected, seconded, and passed unanimously.

**Items from President:** Jess was hoping to have an attorney come in during the May meeting to go over the By-Laws, but the attorney was not available to attend tonight's meeting. Discussed future dates to meet with the lawyer to go over the by-laws and June 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm was agreed upon. Jess also shared the results from the survey questions that were sent along with the pool dues. As of May 9, 2016 there have been 298 dues letters returned. Question #1: "In the past 12 months have you or your family used any of the Carefree facilities?" 223 said they have used the pool, 16 utilized the swim team, 109 have used the playground, 66 have used the basketball/tennis courts, 82 have used the clubhouse, and 47 have engaged in Activities. Question #2: "How important is it to you that these facilities are maintained; 1 (lowest) – 10 (highest)." The average was 8.6 from the 298 returned so far.

**Reserve Study:** Linda shared her "Carefree Club Reserve Study Compromise" proposal. Stating that Members felt a \$115 dues increase was too much and the Board needs a minimum of a \$60 dues increase in order to pay for upcoming repairs. It would add about \$50,000 annually in the reserve account and it cuts the initial reserve study dues increase roughly in half. It does not meet the initial reserve study dues increase recommendation, but it is a step in the right direction. Linda proposed, if the Board approves, we could send out ballots late in the summer requesting this \$60 dues increase giving members 6+ months in advance to prepare their finances. Motion to approve, and seconded, 11 Yes/1 No/1 Undecided.

**Corporate Secretary's Report:** Sandra said the pool dues are coming in quickly. Pool dues were required by May 1st so, if people haven't sent them in yet, they are past due. There are fewer lots now that are in arrears. The lien on the home in bankruptcy was released because they were told it was illegal to have the lien on this home. The family has since moved out. Sandra said she's getting ready to mail the pool/guest passes May 19/20.

**Treasurer's Report:** Renee-Ann said the Sam's Club membership is up for renewal in June. It was asked if we want to stay with Sam's Club or if we would want to look into joining Cost Co. It was decided that a few Board members wanted to check out Cost Co. and get the information on their membership before they make a decision and they will do this prior to the Sam's Club membership expiration date. Renee-Ann received a telephone bill for a prior land line and she called AT&T and was able to get the

charges removed. Linda will be calling AT&T to discuss having the land line hooked back up for the summer. On the Profit & Loss Detail it was pointed out that one more lot that was in arrears with annual dues was collected, under, under "Annual Dues" the General Journal amount of \$51,719 is from the dues that we've collected so far this year (Income not due until May 1<sup>st</sup> and this is money we received prior to that date.), under "Corp-General the \$131 credit is from court fees, and under "Reserves" the General Journal Entry of \$3,015 is for the voluntary reserve payments (money given voluntarily over and above the normal annual dues of \$235). The underlined brought up two discussions. It was discussed since the pool dues letter stated, "If you could donate a few extra dollars to help maintain and purchase entrance signs or help defray the cost of the parking lot bill at the clubhouse (lights are not owned by the Club), please include that with your payment.", we needed to determine where the extra money of \$3015 goes. We technically can't have it go towards the Operating Budget for the Reserves since the newsletter only specified that it would go toward maintaining and/or purchase signs or help with the cost of parking lot light bill. Everyone was in agreement to wait on making this decision until all of the dues are in, then maybe we can discuss sending emails to each person who contributed over and above the normal dues asking where they want their money to go. It was also suggested to change the name "Reserves" on the Profit & Loss Detail and Budget vs. Actual reports to something else like, "2016 Extra Dues" so, it doesn't get confused with the actual Reserve Study. Regarding the 2016 Budget increase of \$4 per member, which equates to \$2,040, we need to think about and decide where this will be allocated and prepare to share in the June or July meeting. Motion for the April financial reports to be accepted as revised passed unanimously.

### **Committee Reports**

**Pool:** Large pool is scheduled to open on time. The baby pool contractor is trying to have the work done by opening day; weather permitting. Preparing lifeguards for pool set up and making sure lifeguards are prepared for the orientation meeting. They need to bring a government issued photo I.D. card and their SSN.

**Grounds:** DeBaun bill came in the mail along with two Kapp's invoices. Patrick is going to check into that and he has weed/grass spray but is waiting for calm, dry weather to spray the courts, along the fence line, and the island perimeter.

**Newsletter:** Next newsletter comes out July 1<sup>st</sup> and submission items are due June 13. The next newsletters come out Oct 1<sup>st</sup> and Jan 1<sup>st</sup>. Jenaca announced that she will be resigning from her newsletter chair position after the Jan 1<sup>st</sup> newsletter. We will need someone else to volunteer to write/prepare the quarterly newsletters.

**Clubhouse:** Clubhouse Rental generated \$770.09 and air fresheners were the only supplies that were purchased.

**Website:** Erich is hoping to have the ability to blast emails out to everyone. Activities area is now on the website and Erich will be adding the list of new activities and will be sending emails about upcoming activities. The Board members that brainstormed upcoming activities want the people who wish to attend an activity to have the ability to confirm their attendance/RSVP by having a way to sign up and

asked Erich if they could get “Sign Up Genius” added. Erich is willing to set up “Sign Up Genius” and get other members versed in it, but he wants someone else to manage and maintain and the other members agreed.

**Swim Team:** The swim team is at about 85% capacity right now. Coaches are in place and the swim dates are posted on the Carefreecrocodiles.org website. Home meets are as follows: June 16, June 21, June 23, June 30, and July 5.

**Activities:** New activities have been added: book club monthly meeting, a walking club, a white elephant gift exchange, coffee and connectivity, etc. (Just to name a few) Also discussed having Steve Wisdom add it to the sign and also having it posted by the pool concession stand area once the pool is open.

**Next meeting is Monday, June 13, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.**

Motion to adjourn made at 8:27 p.m., seconded and passed unanimously.

Submitted by Jamie Hawkins, June 13, 2016