

**HILTON HEAD PLANTATION
PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION**

**RECREATION COMMITTEE MINUTES
POA Service Center
7 Surrey Lane**

August 3, 2021

OPENING:

Rex Garniewicz called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM at the POA Service Center.

ATTENDEES: Rex Garniewicz (Chair), Richard Dugan, Bob Huisman, Earle Nirmaier, and Margita Rockstroh
Ex-Officio: Chrissy Kristian, Jen Westerfeld, Trevor Scott, and Peter Kristian

ABSENTEES: Stephanie Dunn, Mary Wilcox, and Dave Morse (Alternate)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Margita Rockstroh motioned to approve the Minutes of July 12th, 2021, as presented. Bob Huisman seconded, and the motion was passed unanimously.

COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIR:

- Rex welcomed everyone to the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Rex, Peter, and Chrissy provided an update on the Dolphin Head Renovation Project.
 - Chrissy shared that the HHPPOA Board, the ARB, and the Town's DRB Department have all approved the playground equipment for the new playground at Dolphin Head. By ordering the equipment now, we were able to avoid the immediate 8% price hike as well as avoid another 5% price hike at the beginning of the new year. This has potentially saved us \$43,000 minus the cost that we will incur for a bonded storage unit once the equipment is delivered.
 - Peter added that it was an extraordinary task to get all the approvals needed in such a short amount of time, but we were able to do it.
 - Peter thanked Rex for all of his contributions thus far with getting the preamble written for our application to the Town of HHI regarding our efforts in conserving any historical issues that we may be dealing with down at Dolphin Head.
 - Rex added that he has been working with Kyle at Wood + Partners in regard to our application that we have to submit to the State Historic Preservation Office since Dolphin Head is in a coastal area. The application will undergo a 30-day review process.
 - Margita commended the Staff and Rex for all their efforts in making this project happen.
- Rex and Chrissy reviewed the final results of the Recreation Questions for the Resident Opinion Survey.
 - According to the results, the leisure paths continue to be the #1 ranked amenity.
 - There is also substantial support for pickleball courts, a dog park, and a sheltered picnic area.
 - Top priorities were discussed amongst the Recreation Committee to look at how we can address concerns and help move various projects forward.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Chrissy provided an overview of The Radio Sparks Concert, the Teen/Tween Night, and Kids Kamp.
- Chrissy presented the 6-month Activities Calendar.

SUBCOMMITTEE LIAISONS:

- Activities: Chrissy Kristian
 - The POPS of HHI was at the Spring Lake Pool this past Saturday, July 31, to sell their gourmet popsicles, and they had a beautiful day to do it.
 - The final day of Kids Kamp is scheduled for Friday, August 6, and we will have our End-of-Kamp Show that day at 11:30 AM at the Plantation House.
 - The Annual Cleaning Week is scheduled for the week of August 23 through 27.
 - We have our All-Clubs Meeting scheduled for Friday, September 10, at 10:00 AM at the Plantation House.
 - On Friday, September 10, we will also be hosting a College Spirit themed Bingo Night at the Plantation House from 6:00-8:30 PM.
 - September seminars will include the “Managing Stress in a Stressful World” Webinar on September 15, “Sharing the Road” – Road Safety Class for Bicyclists, Motorists and Walkers on September 17, and an “Air Quality” Seminar on September 29.
 - October events will include the Trash & Treasure Sale, the Fall Harvest Party, and the Halloween Pet Parade.
- Tennis: Trevor Scott
 - Trevor reported that Keith has officially retired, and Jeri who has helped at the tennis desk for many years has also decided to retire effective Thursday, August 5.
 - Trevor added that they will be starting new tennis clinics this week. They sent out an email blast earlier in the week to help promote them.
 - They will also have some 75 & Over teams and 65 & Over teams participating in the upcoming USTA League.
- Fishing / Lagoons: Earle Nirmaier / Dave Morse (absent)
 - Earle reported that they have been fortunate to have enough volunteers to help every day at Kids Kamp, and he added that the fishing has improved throughout the summer.
 - Earle did share that he was doing some research and when the temperatures are 68 degrees Fahrenheit, the fish have 20% more oxygen than when the temperatures increase to 86 degrees. So, the hotter it gets, the less oxygen that is available for the fish which is why they swim to the bottom of the lagoons where it’s cooler.
 - Richard added that Camp Leo was a success, and they had approximately 20-25 participants.
- Volunteer Program: Margita Rockstroh / Mary Wilcox (absent)
 - Nothing to report.
- Memorial Program / Softball: Bob Huisman / Stephanie Dunn (absent)
 - Bob reported that the extreme heat has made it tough to practice for the Softball team.
 - Bob then added that the new Senior Softball League will be having tryouts for their fall season.
 - Bob added that they are getting new players almost every week, but they have also lost some of the older players due to injuries and/or age.
 - The Softball team is trying to arrange games with the softball team from The Landings on Skidaway Island, but it’s difficult because their games have to be played on Saturday because many of their players are still working during the week.

- Bob shared that they continue to have high team numbers with over 25 players listed on the team roster with 15-16 players showing up for practices.
- Bocce Ball / Shuffleboard: Richard Dugan
 - Richard reported that the existing team registration for the fall bocce league is going on now.
 - The Bocce Club will host a new player orientation on Saturday, August 7 (weather-permitting).
 - Richard added that the new team registration will then be available next week, and the fall season will kick-off on September 6.
 - Richard then shared that the Bocce Club would like to see the old shuffleboard courts eventually replaced with additional bocce courts instead.
- Miscellaneous: Peter Kristian
 - Peter reported that we have several new homes being built in the Plantation which is causing some angst with the neighbors nearby who are used to having an empty lot. Now they are having to deal with the noise and everything else that accompanies new construction, which is disruptive to the neighborhood.
 - Peter shared that the Capital Transfer Fund is currently up to \$411,000 which is phenomenal. This is typically a year-end number not a seven-month mark.
 - Peter added that advertising for *Plantation Living* is up. Leah has sold over \$15,000 in ads for August.
 - The new map for the Plantation is almost ready to go to the printers. All the advertising spots have been filled and are good to go. We are just waiting on the final draft from Wood + Partners before it goes to the printers. The cost of the printing is being completely covered by the cost of the ads.
 - On July 22, there was public hearing at 6:00 PM at the Island Rec Center regarding the 278 Corridor Project. Both Peter and HHPPOA Board Vice President Lori Schmidt provided testimonies during the hearing. Peter and HHPPOA Board President Jon Heron also met with Greg Winn of SCDOT ahead of time to discuss the project.
 - At the recent Coffee with Peter, State Senator Tom Davis reassured residents that he would be able to help slow down the project if it wasn't being supported by the community.
 - Peter also shared that the Town of HHI has a Traffic Consultant on retainer that is working on designing an alternative plan for the 278 Corridor Project.

ADJOURNMENT

Margita Rockstroh motioned to adjourn. Bob Huisman seconded, and the motion was passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 11:10 AM.

The next meeting is scheduled for 10:00 AM on Monday, September 13, at the POA Service Center.