

**HILTON HEAD PLANTATION  
PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION**

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

**February 13, 2023**

**OPENING:**

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

**ATTENDEES:** Rex Garniewicz (Chair), Peggy Howard, Earle Nirmaier, Margita Rockstroh, Mary Wilcox, Dave Morse (Alternate) and Lois Wilkinson (Alternate)  
Ex-Officio: Chrissy Kristian, Jen Westerfeld, and Peter Kristian

**ABSENTEES :** Richard Dugan, Bob Huisman  
Ex-Officio: Trevor Scott

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

*Mary Wilcox motioned to approve the Minutes of January 9, 2023, as presented. Margita Rockstroh seconded, and the motion was passed unanimously.*

**COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIR:**

- Rex welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- Chrissy and Peter provided a brief update on the Dolphin Head Renovation Project.
  - Chrissy shared that we had a meeting with Nix Construction and Wood + Partners last Thursday, February 9, at 1:00 PM onsite. The playground installers are scheduled to begin installation of the playground equipment within the next week, so David Mills and his crew will begin transporting the equipment from storage to the construction site later this week.
  - Peter added that Ivan Hosso, Project Manager, informed him that the footings for the decking on the building are scheduled for inspection today and if approved, the footings would be poured in the next day or two.
  - Chrissy also shared that staff has been working to finalize interior selections including kitchen, bathroom and flooring selections.
  - Peter then added that Nix Construction is behind schedule by four weeks but plan to make up that time throughout the project.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Chrissy provided an overview of the Community Blood Drive, the Volunteer Outreach Event, the Iceland Trip, and the two February Seminars.
- Chrissy presented the 6-month Activities Calendar.

## SUBCOMMITTEE LIAISONS:

- Activities: Chrissy Kristian
  - We have two AARP Safe Driver Courses scheduled – one on Wednesday, February 15 and another one on Tuesday, March 7.
  - The Vegas Casino Night scheduled for next Friday, February 24, is completely full. We were able to secure two Silver Sponsors for the Vegas Casino Night – Hargray and Wood + Partners. Hargray will also be offering a window of time to meet with residents who have questions about their Hargray service on Tuesday, March 7, starting at 9:00 AM.
  - Our next Coffee with Peter is scheduled for Thursday, February 16, at 10 AM at the Plantation House. This will be “Meet the Board Candidates.”
  - Kids Kamp Pre-Registration will kick off March 1, and we have two seminars scheduled in early March – The Bladder & Bowel Health Seminar on March 6 and the Social Security Planning Seminar on March 8.
  - Our popular Cooking Live program will kick off on March 15.
  - We also have a new 8-week soccer enrichment program called Soccer Shots that will be held on Mondays starting March 13 at 5:00 PM at the Surrey Lane ball fields.
  - The Annual Meeting is set for Saturday, March 25, at 10:00 AM, and the Board Orientation will be held the following Tuesday, March 28.
- Tennis: Chrissy Kristian for Trevor Scott (absent)
  - Chrissy shared that the Spring Lake Tennis had 43 people at their last social “It’s an Affair…” on February 3. Unfortunately, the weather didn’t cooperate, and the tennis was rained out, but those 43 people came out for the private chef Johannes and tennis trivia.
  - Chrissy added that the next social is scheduled for March 3 at 2:30 PM which will be a “Luck of the Irish” theme.
  - Peter then shared that the tennis pros at both Indigo Run and the Country Club of Hilton Head are gone.
  - Peter also added that the tennis courts should be finished with the re-surfacing project this week.
  - Lastly, Peter reported that Trevor was approached about an opportunity for Spring Lake Tennis to host a 4-day tournament event, but the opportunity would be brought before the Board of Directors for consideration. Since this would limit court availability for the tennis members, Peter and Trevor want to get the Board’s approval before deciding.
- Fishing / Lagoons: Earle Nirmaier / Dave Morse
  - Earle reported that fishing in the plantation is non-existent this time of year.
  - Earle then added that one group from the Fishing Club went on an in-shore fishing excursion, and they didn’t get a single bite.
  - Earle also shared that the Fishing Club was going to be sending Peter a letter addressing the issue with the overgrowth of weeds in the lagoons. Even though Peter and David authorized a significant amount of money for the purchase of grass carp to help remedy this issue, the overgrowth of weeds has gotten to the point of beyond what the carp can do. Dredging probably isn’t an option since that would be something that has to be done by the Town of HHI.
  - Dave added that parking along the lagoons has become more of an issue lately because of all the wet weather we’ve experienced. We need to make sure residents know that they should not pull off to the side of the road to park when the grass is wet; otherwise, cars can easily get stuck in the mud.

- Volunteer Program: Margita Rockstroh / Mary Wilcox
  - Nothing to report.
  - Chrissy reminded the group that we will need volunteers for the Easter Sunrise Service.
- Memorial Program / Softball: Lois Wilkinson / Bob Huisman (absent)
  - Nothing to report.
  - Chrissy shared that a new memorial bench was getting installed today in the Hickory Forest area off Hickory Forest Drive overlooking the water.
  - Chrissy also added that two Veteran Memorial Bricks had been shipped, and we would be installing them at the base of the flagpole once they had arrived.
- Bocce Ball / Shuffleboard: Peggy Howard / Richard Dugan (absent)
  - Richard submitted a report to Chrissy prior to the meeting, and she shared that Bocce registration for the spring league is almost closed. They currently have 88 teams signed up, and the Bocce Club President is hoping for a few more.
  - Richard's report also announced a few important dates to remember: the Championship Clinic was held yesterday, the spring season will kick off on February 27 and continue through April 22, and the play-offs will begin April 29 and finish up May 6 or 7. The Bocce Banquet is scheduled for May 23.
- Miscellaneous: Peter Kristian
  - Peter reported that residents should be moving into The Charles development soon.
  - Peter also added that he hasn't heard of any of the Waterway Garden units selling yet.
  - Peter then shared that the newsletter should be coming out on Wednesday of this week, and included in this month's issue is a copy of the Interest Form for POA Committees. Anyone interested in being on a committee or staying on one should fill it out and turn it in to Sharon. Also included in the newsletter is a list of the Board candidates running for election.
  - The annual audit is underway and once it is completed, a copy of it will be available online as well as emailed out to the community. Hard copies will also be printed and available at the Annual Meeting. It will, however, be separate from the Annual Report as we've done for the previous couple of years.
  - To encourage online voting, those who fill out paper ballots will not be included in this year's raffle drawing for POA credit.
  - Margita Rockstroh is this year's Election Committee Chairperson.
  - Peter also added that we've collected almost \$25,000 in Capital Transfer Funds so far this year, and according to the most recent home sales report that Peter has received, homes are selling for over \$1 million.
  - Peter reported that we are about to wrap up a mini-beach renourishment on Pine Island. We still have some grooming to finish before the project is complete.
  - Peter shared that Chrissy is bidding out the pool service contract for the upcoming season. That bid will be submitted to the Board for consideration at their upcoming February meeting.
  - Peter added that he has spoken with Town Council members regarding the foot-dragging that is taking place with regards to the 278 bridge corridor project.
  - The HHI Mayor and the two Town Council members that represent HHP have been invited to the Board Orientation on March 28.
  - Peter has also set up a meeting inviting the other community general managers and the HHI Mayor to attend which is scheduled for next Tuesday at 8:30 AM.

- Chrissy added that the Town Council was going to be having a Parks Workshop tomorrow at 10:00 AM. The public is invited to attend or the workshop can be watched via livestream.
- Peter discussed the issue with allowing dogs off-leash down at Pine Island. It's not permitted on our beaches; however, the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control's office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management (OCRM) technically has jurisdiction up to the Mean High Water Line which depends on the tide.
- Lastly, Peter reported that we plan to dress up the rough leisure path access to the Elliott Cemetery.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

*Margita Rockstroh motioned to adjourn. Earle Nirmaier seconded, and the motion was passed unanimously.*

*The meeting adjourned at 11:08 AM.*

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