

**HILTON HEAD PLANTATION
PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION**

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

March 13, 2023

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, Margita Rockstroh, Dave Morse (Alternate) and Lois Wilkinson (Alternate)
Ex-Officio: Chrissy Kristian, Jen Westerfeld, Trevor Scott, and Peter Kristian

ABSENTEES : Peggy Howard, Mary Wilcox

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Bob Huisman motioned to approve the Minutes of February 13, 2023, as presented. Dave Morse seconded, and the motion was passed unanimously.

COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIR:

- Rex welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- Rex opened the floor for discussion on pickleball.
 - Chrissy shared that a new Pickleball Club was going to be holding their first meeting at the end of March at the Plantation House.
 - Chrissy then added that the Recreation Committee should consider adding Pickleball Courts on the next Resident Opinion Survey (scheduled for 2024) with regards to a question as to what the next capital project should be once the Dolphin Head project is paid off. It would be competing with other potential projects such as the renovation/replacement of the Plantation House, the renovation/replacement of the guard gates, a dog park, and maybe even more bocce courts.
 - Peter also shared that the Board would use the survey results as guidance when determining the next project to move forward with additional consideration given to cost, location, permitting, land planning, etc.
 - The discussion led to the idea of possibly partnering with the Country Club of Hilton Head in some way. Maybe they could convert their tennis courts to pickleball courts, and we in turn could allow their members to play on our tennis courts.
 - Trevor added that he is a certified Pickleball professional, and he would welcome the addition of pickleball.

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, March 9, at 1:00 PM onsite. Work is currently being performed on the roof of the clubhouse. The playground equipment was moved out of storage and onto the work site, and the playground installers have already started piecing

the equipment together. The concrete slab for the picnic shelter is also supposed to get poured this week.

- Peter added that the Coastal Discovery Museum (with help from Rex) has offered to donate a beautiful wooden display case to display the artifacts found in the archeological dig. Peter then shared that HHP resident and retired commercial artist, Mike Guornoe, has offered to help us with designing a new map of the area.
- Chrissy then reported that she is working on getting a second bid on adding audio-visual equipment to the new clubhouse. Our intention is to design the building with the capability of having A/V equipment included so individuals and groups using the facility could show a presentation/slideshow as well as have music and sound system inside the building.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Chrissy provided an overview of the AARP Safe Driving Courses, the Vegas Casino Night, and the two March Seminars.
- Chrissy presented the 6-month Activities Calendar.

SUBCOMMITTEE LIAISONS:

- Activities: Chrissy Kristian
 - The Soccer Shots 8-week program kicks off at the ball fields later today, and tomorrow is the “New Medical Developments in our Area” presentation by Beaufort Memorial Hospital CEO Russell Baxley.
 - Kids Kamp Pre-Registration is officially underway, and we are close to closing registration for a few of the weeks as we inch closer to reaching our max number of 200 kids per week.
 - Our popular Cooking Live program will kick off this Wednesday, however, we are still looking for a chef to participate on April 19.
 - 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.
 - The Spring Lake Pool is scheduled to open April 1 (weather-permitting), and the Board has approved to change pool service vendors and hire Year-Round Pool to take over as of April 1.
 - Our two Easter events include the annual Easter Egg Hunt & Brunch scheduled for Saturday, April 8, at 9 AM with the help of the Country Club of Hilton Head, and then the Easter Sunrise Service will be held on Easter Sunday, April 9, at 7 AM at the Plantation House.
 - The first concert of the season will be the Hilton Head Big Band “Spring Fling” scheduled for Saturday, April 22, from 2-4 PM with a rain date set for the following day – Sunday, April 23. This concert is being sponsored by Encompass Health.
- Tennis: Trevor Scott
 - Trevor reported that he will be offering a new Junior Tennis Camp program from 1-3 PM held Monday through Friday on the same weeks as Kids Kamp. The current sign-ups are approximately 10 kids per week so far.
 - Trevor also added that they have a new ball machine which has been heavily in use since it was delivered. It’s working great!
 - The USTA season is still going strong.
 - Lastly, the clinics are also going well as they are at full capacity.
- Fishing / Lagoons: Earle Nirmaier / Dave Morse
 - Earle reported that the hot/cold weather has been confusing the fish.

- Earle then added that the Fishing Club notified Peter about the weed issue that has developed in the lagoons – especially the one where the kids fish during Kids Kamp.
- Earle also shared that the last Fishing Club dinner meeting was canceled because too many members who would usually attend had COVID.
- Earle reported that one Fishing Club member has been organizing fishing trips, but so far the sign-ups for these trips have been comprised of mostly board members. They have two in-shore trips currently planned.
- Lastly, the Fishing Club has a budget of \$10,000 from the POA to purchase Sterile Carp as well as bait and stocking fish for the lagoons.
- Volunteer Program: Margita Rockstroh / Mary Wilcox (absent)
 - Nothing to report.
 - Chrissy shared that Margita and Mary are helping her recruit volunteers for the upcoming Easter Sunrise Service.
- Memorial Program / Softball: Lois Wilkinson / Bob Huisman
 - Lois shared that the new Memorial & Honorarium Program for the Dolphin Head project will be announced in the April newsletter. Property owners and residents will be allowed make monetary donations towards the project or they could choose from a list of items to donate. Chrissy will be reaching out to those previous donors first and then sharing the list of items with a group of individuals who have been on a wait list for the past year. Then, it will officially open up to the rest of the community.
 - Bob added that the Softball Club continues to practice on Mondays. Since his injury, he has stepped away from playing; however, Bob continues to offer support by helping with the newsletter article and assisting when needed.
 - Bob also shared that the new Senior League will be starting this month, and we have approximately 16 members that will be playing in the league split among two divisions – a competitive league and a non-competitive league.
 - Lastly, Bob added that the Sun City teams do not want to play our team anymore. Ever since COVID, they haven't invited our team to play theirs.
- Bocce Ball / Shuffleboard: Richard Dugan / Peggy Howard (absent)
 - Richard reported that the Bocce Club is in their third week of play in their spring season. They have approximately 200 players participating on 90 teams.
 - The spring season will 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.
 - Richard thanked the POA staff (David Mills and his crew) for all their hard work in renovating the bocce courts. He also added that the Bocce Club President has done a wonderful job building ball racks to go with each court as well.
- Miscellaneous: Peter Kristian
 - Peter reported that the Board and Finance Committee will be meeting tomorrow to review the Audit.
 - Peter reminded everyone about the Annual Meeting scheduled for Saturday, March 25, and that everyone should vote if they haven't already. The deadline to vote is next Thursday, March 23.
 - Peter added that *Plantation Living* advertising continues to rise.
 - Peter then shared that the Spring Lake Pool is scheduled to open April 1.
 - Peter also added that he hasn't heard of any of the Waterway Garden units selling yet, however, one unit has been staged with furniture for showing purposes.
 - Peter then shared that The Charles is supposed to have their first closing in early April.

- Peter informed the committee about the dog incident at the lagoon by the ball fields.
- Peter added that employment recruiting has become even more difficult with the constant traffic on the bridge and 278.
- Peter then shared that David and Trevor are researching the cost to build bocce courts in-house.
- Peter also reported that the Capital Transfer Fees collected for this year are around \$32,000. It's been lower than usual due to limited inventory of homes for sale.
- Lastly, Peter shared that voting for the election is on a good pace. We have received about 30% of the votes, but we need 50% plus one to make quorum.

ADJOURNMENT

Bob Huisman motioned to adjourn. Richard Dugan seconded, and the motion was passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 11:20 AM.

The next meeting is scheduled for 10:00 AM on Monday, May 8, at the POA Service Center.