# VAIL'S GROVE COOPERATIVE, INC.

## BOARD MEETING

# June 18, 2019

#### CALL TO ORDER:

Ms. Salerno called the meeting to order at 8:08 pm and asked all to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

## ATTENDANCE:

Ms. Battreall took attendance: Present: Mr. Andrews, Mr. Cammisa, Ms. DiDomenico, Mr. Duffy, Mr. Janecek, Mr. McGuinness, Ms. Myers, Ms. Mytych, Ms. Salerno, Mr. Sarno and Mr. Waltzer. Absent: Mr. Cassidy and Ms. Rubini.

## ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

Ms. Myers made a motion to accept the May minutes per corrections. Mr. Sarno, Ms. DiDomenico, Ms. Mytych abstained. All others in favor.

#### COMMENTS & CONCERNS OF STOCKHOLDERS: None

#### COMMUNICATIONS NOT INCUDED IN THE REPORTS BELOW:

A letter was received from the residents of Locust Road requesting permission to have a Block Party on Saturday, July 20. Ms. Myers made a motion to approve.

# COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### CHAIRPERSON:

From Frank Cassidy:

I wish everyone a great, happy summer. Enjoy the lake and our community. Just a few reminders for the summer months:

4.2 Passenger vehicles may be parked only on Stockholders leased premises or in Cooperative common parking area. All other vehicles shall be parked only in areas designated by the Cooperative for such parking.

Unlicensed, unregistered vehicles stored on Stockholders property for more than 60 days must be covered with a professional grade car cover.

#### Beach area

The Beach area may be used by the Stockholder and their family, or guests and friends only if actually accompanied by such Stockholder or family member.

# VICE-CHAIRPERSON: No report

VICE-PRESIDENT: Over the past few weeks several items have come to the attention of the office and others on the board that I feel need to be talked about.

First of all we all need to be reminded that this is a FULL TIME community and not just a fun summer hang out. People live here who go to work early in the morning, even on weekends. There are young children and babies who need to sleep through the night and there are many dogs, who like to bark when they hear things.

Since the first weekend in June, there have been several incidents of late night fireworks going off and disturbing the peace of those living here.

While those of you who are shooting them off may not think that 9:00-9:30ish is late, it is very disturbing to many of your neighbors. We all enjoy the fireworks around the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, but this has truly become an issue and it may impact the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Fireworks if neighbors start calling the police with complaints. I have spoken to both the Chief of North Salem and the Sheriff in Brewster who both have said that they will have more patrols in the area due to the complaints. So please, let's try to be a little more neighborly and hold off till the 4<sup>th</sup> for the

Fireworks Celebration.

Next, is a complaint about young people playing a game they call "ring and run". It is when they either ring a doorbell or bang on a front door and then run before anyone can answer the door. This needs to be addressed. Parents, please speak to your kids about this "game". Remind them that there are elderly residents and young children who are disturbed and sometimes frightened by the sudden loud banging or the doorbell ringing at night. This can be very dangerous to any of our neighbors and it's really not that funny. Parents might also remind the children that many people have camera's these days and that they get very good pictures of the offenders. Finally, I would like to thank all who attended the official dedication of the Vail's Veteran Monument and Garden. It was a beautiful night and it is

something to be proud of, please take some time to sit down there and reflect on the sacrifices that Veterans and their families make for this great country of ours.

#### SECRETARY:

Motion needs to be made to set August 5<sup>th</sup> at noon, as the deadline for returning petitions to the office.

The Annual meeting is September 15. Notice of meeting will be mailed out the middle of July.

The AWQR is complete and was submitted by the deadline of May 31. Thank you to Kathleen Heuschkel.

Quarterly invoices and Vails Voice will go out beginning on July. Please be sure to get any submissions to Carol Harting immediately.

Motion needs to be made to approve Block Party for Locust Road on July 20<sup>th</sup>. See attached letter.

Mr. Duffy made a motion to set August 5 at noon for any and ALL petitions to be submitted to the office. Ms. Myers seconded. All in favor. Motion approved.

## TREASURER:

Ms. Mytych reported that the budget is on track for the half year.

FINANCE/INSURANCE: No Report

#### **BUILDINGS & GROUNDS:**

Bell Heating and AC was called for Pavilion Cooling system. Loud noise was coming from the new unit and precautionary phone call was made. All systems working normally. Metal dock at beach is in need of repair – B&G is working on it. This dock is almost 20 years old. D'Amico Electric was on site to fix the light at the flagpole. The wires were low. New light fixtures were also installed around the Pavilion. Belgian blocks were picked up with Tom Duffy for the monument site. Working with Tom Duffy and John Costello, the blocks were installed at the monument site. Fixed a loose step at pavilion side door entrance. Catch basins were professionally cleaned by Triple D. Weeding, watering and continuous maintenance in all gardens is underway. Road fill in work on Polye in process.

**REAL ESTATE:** No Report

#### OMBUDSMAN:

No Report

## SUNSHINE:

Best wishes to Abby Cassidy for a very speedy recovery.

## PAVILION:

Over the past few months we have been lucky to have had several outside rentals that have brought in some much needed revenue for the pavilion. These rentals will hopefully allow us to replace some of the old chairs and tables that are badly in need of heading to the dumpster, BUT, along with some of those rentals have come some complaints from neighbors regarding the noise later on and into some of the early morning hours.

I would like to discuss setting some guidelines regarding the hours that we will allow a party to go till and also when we want the DJ or band to be allowed to play music until.

I have looked into what the ordinance is in the Town of North Salem and it only deals with a "licensed Cabaret".

I would suggest a starting point of:

- 1) Parties MUST end no later than 2am
- 2) DJ and /or Band music MUST stop no later than 12:30am
- 3) Any background music MUST end no later than 1am

# ANY COMPLAINTS FROM STOCKHOLDERS AFTER THE EVENT WILL RESULT IN LOSS OF SECURITY DEPOSIT

Mr. Cammisa made a motion to keep the security from outside rentals if they do not abide by Vail's Groves noise regulations, which we will know about if we receive complaints from residents. Opposed: Ms. Myers, Ms. Mytych. All others in favor. Motion approved. That security amount will be \$1000. Mr. Sarno seconded.

#### MEMBERSHIP:

Mr. Andrews made a motion to approve rental renewal to Nicole and John Price at 11 Orchard for another year. Ms. Myers seconded. All in favor. Motion approved.

LEGAL: No Report

# **BOATS RAMP/NORTH END:**

The committee would like Mr. Moore to add a chain to the Boat Ramp gates as the new gate, being donated by Vito Errico is not ready for installation yet.

## PUBLIC HEALTH/PUMPHOUSE:

The 2018 AWQR – Annual Water Quality Report has been completed and submitted. It is on the website.

LEND A HAND: No report

#### BEACH:

The beach is open from 10 am - 7 pm. If for any reason there are no lifeguards, the signs will be posted on the beach and the Grove cannot condone any swimming in our beach area. That being said, the beach is here for all to enjoy. If you are having guests at the beach, it is a courtesy to let the office know so that the beach committee can plan accordingly. The parking at the beach is tight, so please be mindful when parking.

The items at the beach are for everyone to share and please cleanup after yourself when finished.

The beach events are as follows:

Friday, July 12 at 6 pm — Cocktails at Sunset — Bring an hors d'oeuvre to share. Sunday, July at 11:30 am Brunch at the beach — bring an appropriate dish to share Friday, August 16 at 6:30 pm — BBQ at the beach, reservation required with payment - \$5 per person

Friday, August 30 at 6 pm – Cocktails at Sunset – bring an hors d'oeuvre to share. \*\*Dates and Times subject to change

In addition, there is a portable defibrillator in the lifeguard shed next to the refrigerator.

PLEC: No report

## RECREATION:

Welcome to the nicer weather. The recreation committee is very excited for the summer and we hope all our friends and neighbors are as well.

It was an honor for your recreation team to be a part of the Veteran's Monument dedication on Friday June 14<sup>th</sup>. We thank those of you who stopped by after for refreshments and fellowship with your neighbors and friends.

The July 4<sup>th</sup> parade will be held on Thursday the 4<sup>th</sup>, starting at 11am. If weather becomes an issue we will change the date but there will be a parade starting at the North End and finishing at the pavilion for some hot dogs, chips, and beverages. We will have a short ceremony at the Flag Pole to honor our country and our freedom. Please join us for this wonderful event. As a reminder, please have your kids decorate their bikes and wagons and help us make this year a special parade. Just a reminder that dogs must be on leashes even if they are in the parade.

The recreation committee is working on dates over the summer for our Movie nights outdoors, Bingo and the popular Trivia Night. Look for flyers and listen for Robo Calls for those dates.

Also, we will be once again open the pavilion on nights to be determined for concession nights. Please come down for some snacks and ice cream for purchase and also for some fun and games.

Finally, HO HO. The best Christmas/Holiday Party in town will be on Saturday December 14<sup>th</sup>. Mark the dates on your calendars, and tell your family. These reservations go fast and we don't want anyone to miss out. More details in the coming months. For now, let's enjoy the SUMMER!!!!

Meeting adjourned at 8:47 pm.