

VAIL'S GROVE COOPERATIVE, INC.

BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING

March 19, 2013

CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Ryan called the meeting to order at 8:07 pm and asked all to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

ATTENDANCE:

Mr. Cassidy took attendance. Present: Mr. Cassidy, Mr. Andrews, Mr. Duffy, Mr. McGuinness, Ms. Myers, Ms. Mytych, Mr. Norcross, Ms. Rubini, Mr. Ryan, Ms. McHale. Absent: Ms. Waltzer, Ms. Natiello and Ms. Enos.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

Ms. Myers made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 2013 Board meeting. Mr. Cassidy seconded. All in favor. Motion approved.

COMMENTS & CONCERNS OF STOCKHOLDERS:

Stockholder Marie Fagan addressed the meeting and asked what the status was of the issue of the tree root damage done by Joken Development. Ms. Rubini reported that she did send a letter to Joken and GHD as the damage was done by Joken during grinder pump installation. Ms. Rubini stated that she has not had any response back yet. Ms. Fagan is very concerned about what would happen if the tree issue is not taken care of.

Ms. Fagan also spoke about the issue of Ramp 2 during school bus stop hours. Her nephew is being picked up by her house each morning by a transport van. The problem is that the bus is now coming a little earlier and the parents at the bus stop at Ramp 2 are not happy to be allowing the van to come in that way. She said that some people were not very understanding about this issue. She knows the ramp is not supposed to be used during 7 am until 8:30 am or once the bus leaves. She said that the van either needs to come in or go out with Ramp 2. She had asked the bus driver to come in through Ramp 1 to pick up her nephew. But, the van would either back up which is a long way, or to go down Ramp 2 and go on Vail's Lake Shore Drive. The Board discussed different options with Ms. Fagan and suggested that the van come in Ramp 1, pick up her nephew and then make the left going down Ramp 2.

COMMUNICATIONS NOT INCLUDED IN REPORTS BELOW:

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CHAIRPERSON:

No Report

VICE-CHAIRPERSON:

No Report

VICE-PRESIDENT:

No report

TREASURER:

Ms. Mytych reported that our finances are in very good order after almost the first quarter.

SECRETARY:

Mr. Cassidy reported the following: The office is very busy with re-finances. The second quarter bills will be going out on April 1st, along with the Vail's Voice. Please have all submissions to Meghan Cassidy by March 25th. We are still looking for a new editor for the Vail's Voice. The office continues to be busy assisting Buildings & Grounds with outstanding projects.

ETHICS:

No Report

FINANCE:

No Report

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS:

Mr. Moore reported that we had a water leak at the start of Locust Road. It was fixed and repaired by Keene Plumbing and Tim Butler on March 18, 2013.

Flag pole and new flags were ordered.

The update on the emergency north end road: Snow and rain have delayed this job. When the ground dries out we will start working on that project. Butler Excavating will be doing that work. The Pavilion large room painting is completed. Ms. Myers said it looks beautiful.

The swing set update: Three bids were obtained and now legal is working with the insurance company to try to get us more money for replacement.

The generator work is still in progress. We are waiting for NYSEG for a date to shut down power for the installation of the disconnect switch. We have received two proposals from propane providers. Suburban Propane is offering Vails Grove for a one year contract at the price of \$2.12 per gallon. Suburban Propane is offering our community a one year contract for new customers the price of \$2.12 per gallon. For existing customers who use propane for heating at the price of \$2.62 per gallon and for non-heating customers the price of \$3.12 per gallon.

Leahys Fuel is offering Vails Grove a one year contract, the price of \$2.15 per gallon. Leahy's Fuel is offering our community a one year contract for all new and/or existing customers for heating at the price of \$2.31 per gallon and for non-heating customers the price of \$3.29 per gallon. We have been notified by the North Salem Building Inspector that we are required to move our propane tank from its location. We are being told that it is in high water (flood) zone. That being said, we looked into options of where to move the propane tank. The best option is to bury it behind the flag pole in front of the pavilion and run the gas line down the boat ramp to the building.

Suburban Propane has two options:

1. Lease a 1000 gallon tank to be buried and to install all pipes to the pavilion in a prepared hole and trench by Vails Grove at no charge. We are responsible for the excavation.
2. Vails Grove to purchase a 1000 gallon tank from Suburban at the price of \$2780 and \$250 for the anode bags and \$700 for parts and fittings for installation. Excavation done by Vails Grove. Permit fee of \$100. Total with taxes \$4792.63. Leahys has only one option. They won't lease a buried tank. Vails Grove to purchase a 1000 gallon tank to be buried at \$2699. Gas lines installed \$999. Labor \$750. Anode bags \$100. Permit fee \$75. Total with taxes \$5000.28. All excavating and backfills is Vails Groves responsibility.

Ms. Myers made a motion to hire Suburban as our provider. Ms. McHale seconded. All in favor. Motion approved.

Mr. McGuinness made a motion to purchase the tank from Suburban for \$4792.63 as per the estimate. Ms. Myers seconded. All in favor. Motion approved.

PUMP HOUSE/WATER TANK REPLACEMENT:

In Ms. Waltzers absence, Ms. Battreall read the following:

There will be a meeting on April 8 to present our plan for the new pump house and tanks to the community. Maybe a few people could be encouraged to come. Paul Lynch from Putnam Engineering will send letters to the neighbors in the vicinity and present them to the Town prior to the meeting. Also, Tom Duffy unearthed the survey information requested by the Town Engineer about the location of the Pump House and tanks and the "ownership" of the service road leading to the treatment plant. Thank you Tom.

REAL ESTATE:

No Report

INSURANCE:

No Report

TREES:

No Report

SUNSHINE:

In Ms. Enos' absence, Ms. Battreal read the following:

Best Wishes from the Grove to Adeline Natiello on a speedy recovery on her recent surgery and to Jack Waltzer and Hank Myers who are under the weather.

Thank you notes were read from Jim Sheridan, Joan Mullins and Adeline Natiello.

MEMBERSHIP:

Mr. McGuinness made a motion to approve a re-finance application from Penny Feder pursuant to receiving the appraisal.

Ms. Cassidy seconded. Ms. Rubini abstained. All others in favor. Motion approved.

Mr. McGuinness made a motion to approve the re-finance application from Mr. and Mrs. Spennicchia pursuant to receiving the appraisal. Ms. Myers seconded. Ms. Rubini abstained. All others in favor. Motion approved.

PAVILION RENTAL:

Mr. Cassidy made a motion to approve rental application from Chip Howe for rental on September 7, 2013. Ms. Myers seconded. All in favor. Motion approved.

Mr. Cassidy made a motion to approve rental application from Juliet Aguiar for rental on June 2, 2013. Ms. Myers seconded. All in favor. Motion approved.

BOAT RAMP:

No Report

WWTP:

No Report

LONG RANGE PLANNING:

No report

OMBUDSMAN:

No report

LEGAL:

Ms. Rubini reported that we still have not received the monies from GHD (\$10,000). Ms. Rubini said that Sarah Cwikla from GHD has said that the Towns have the releases and have not signed and returned

yet. We are going to try to get copies for Ms. Battreall to bring to each of the Town Supervisors to move this along.

Ms. Rubini followed up with the insurance agent about the swing set. He has asked for written repair requests. Jay will provide those to Ms. Rubini for her to submit to the insurance rep. He had indicated that they will pay out whichever estimate is for the most similar type of swing set.

RECREATION:

The Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be Friday, March 29 at 1 pm sharp.

The Spring Ladies Night Out will be on Friday, April 12 from 6-10 pm. We are thrilled to announce that we are maxed out at 40 vendors.

We would like to have Cheryl Aiello, a licensed Yoga Instructor offer classes to Vail's Grove residents on Wednesday nights at 7 pm for a small donation fee of \$5 per person. Prior yoga instructors were successful when doing something similar. This would be a great way for Vail's Grove to get fit and ready for the nice weather. Ms. Myers made a motion to allow Ms. Aiello to hold yoga classes here pursuant to issuing the Grove her Insurance Certificate. Ms. Rubini seconded. All in favor. Motion approved.

AESTHETICS:

No Report

PUMPHOUSE/PUBLIC HEALTH:

No report

BEACH:

Mr. Cassidy reported the following: The Lifeguard Application will be on the website next week, along with the handbook which needs to be read and signed with the application.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

We will ask Ralph Mattachieri to come to the next Board meeting to discuss security at the Grove for the upcoming warm weather season.

LEND A HAND:

No report

WELCOME:

No Report

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm