

VAIL'S GROVE COOPERATIVE, INC.

BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING

August 19, 2010

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairperson Victoria Desidero called the meeting to order at 8:03 pm and asked all to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

ATTENDANCE:

Ms. Scott took attendance. Present: Mr. Cassidy, Ms. Desidero, Ms. Myers, Ms. Mytych, Mr. Norcross, Ms. Rubini, Ms. Scott, Mr. Witte. Absent: Mr. Duffy, Ms. Enos, Ms. Waltzer.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

Mr. Witte made a motion to accept the minutes of the August 2, 2010 meeting pending any changes received into the office by Wednesday, August 25th at 8 am. Ms. Scott seconded. Mr. Norcross abstained. All others in favor. Motion approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CHAIRPERSON:

Ms. Desidero discussed the issue regarding the WWTP as Mr. Duffy is absent. Mr. Duffy and Ms. Desidero have been working with our legal counsel, Mary Vail. There is an issue that the contractor used a piece of property that we did not sell to the district as a retention basin. There was a meeting with the Coalition, the two Town Supervisors and Stearns & Wheler and we were told they would get back to us with a resolution. At this time we have not received a response. Phone calls have been made to Michael Rights and Warren Lucas and no progress or offer has been made. Ms. Vail will be working on a letter to send out to try to get this resolved.

Ms. Desidero reported that we have new people running for the Board as well as present Board members running. One of her goals was to get more people in the community involved and she thinks this Board has done a very good job of that.

VICE-CHAIRPERSON:

Ms. Desidero reported that in the Executive session, we discussed a stockholder who is in arrears. Also discussed was the process we will go through to ratify the surveys when all

of the surveys are completed and sent out. In addition, we also discussed the possibility of adding more docks at the public dock areas.

TREASURER:

Ms. Mytych made a motion to send a stockholder who is two quarters in arrears to legal. Ms. Myers seconded. Ms. Rubini abstained. All others in favor. Ms. Desidero asked Ms. Mytych for a Budget vs. Actual report for the first half of 2010. Ms. Mytych will get that out to the Board.

OMBUDSMAN:

No report

SECRETARY:

Ms. Scott read a note from Mike Walsh thanking everyone for their support for Shaun Walsh who is finishing Basic Training. Ms. Scott also read a lovely note from Simone Havel, writing on behalf of herself and some neighbors, that complimented Landscape Unlimited, as the workers have been helpful, polite and great to deal with.

Ms. Scott then read into the minutes the following items:

1. Continue to lobby for Maple Lane that the construction road will be permanent at end of WWTP project – Victoria Desidero
2. Road & property concern at 91 Lakeshore Drive – Victoria Desidero
3. Retention basin issue – Victoria Desidero
4. Remind Arben, in the Fall, about not blocking the area for boat/trailer storage - Victoria Desidero/John Myers
5. Confirm adoption of resolution by the Town of Southeast regarding amount of letters residents need to send to their neighbors when they are planning to make alterations to their home – Victoria Desidero
6. Install berm at 82 Vail's lakeshore Drive – Jack Waltzer
7. The grate at 36 Vail's Lake Shore Drive should be raised to fix problem – Jack Waltzer
8. Dock repair at Pavilion and between Duffy/Couillard – Jack Waltzer
9. Review needs for additional dock space – Jack Waltzer
10. Resolve the tax/acreage issue whereby Vail's Grove is being charged for the total acreage of the Grove by Southeast rather than just the Southeast portion – Office
11. Need recommendation regarding the maintenance and repair of septic systems in this period until WWTP is operational – Tom Duffy
12. Notification to those stockholders whose land surveys are completed for review of the results – Tom Duffy
13. Three stockholders notified by phone that their trees in question are on their land. A follow up letter is to be sent – Ronnie Waltzer

14. Determine if Costello shed is on his property or on the Dress property. Letter sent to Mr. Dress saying this will be addressed when his survey is complete – Joan Myers
15. Vail's Grove presented with Verified Complaint – Mary Rubini
16. Final resolution of Dress water issue - Office

LONG RANGE PLANNING:

Ms. Scott reported that Landscape Unlimited is doing a great job and has started doing the new water mains. There is a meeting on August 29th with Putnam Engineering to discuss the new Water Tanks.

RECREATION/SOCIAL:

Ms. Rubini reported that committee member Meghan Cassidy is organizing a Family Outdoor Movie Night on Friday, September 3rd. Ms. Cassidy will also be organizing a Tag Sale in October. More advertising was suggested to bring more people into the Grove for the Tag Sale. Mr. Norcross suggested calling it a Harvest Festival and selling food to make it more of a Fall Event.

LEGAL:

No report

TREES:

No report

MEMBERSHIP:

Mr. Cassidy made a motion to accept an application for membership from Kay Petroff at 5 Maple Lane. Ms. Myers seconded. Ms. Rubini abstained. All others in favor. Motion approved.

SUNSHINE:

Mr. Cassidy reported for Ms. Enos. He reported the passing of long-time resident Anthony D'Ariano. Jack Waltzer, Fred Witte and Donna Keith all underwent procedures recently and we wish them all well. Congratulations to Claire Bierce and Jeff Woodward on their marriage. Mr. Cassidy also read a thank-you note from Teddy Farrell for the basket that the Grove sent to her after her recent surgery.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS/PUMPHOUSE:

Mr. Waltzer advised that the newly purchased rolling dock has been moved to the area between 43 and 45 Vail's Lake Shore Drive. The pump house is running well and the Long Range Planning project of new tanks is still in the works.

REAL ESTATE:

No Report

COMMUNITY LIASON:

No Report

AESTHETICS:

No Report

BEACH:

Kids/Games Day will be on Saturday, August 21, thanks to Frank and Meghan Cassidy who have stepped in for Rob Norcross. Hot Dogs will be served at noon, followed by water games and races. Ms. Myers gave Mr. Norcross a compliment about the wonderful job he has been doing at the Beach, both at the events she has attended and what she has heard from others. The entire Board agreed.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Mr. Norcross and Mr. Cassidy said that we do have motion detectors on the Beach. All is quiet around the Grove.

LEND A HAND:

Ms. Heuschkel is reaching out to residents who may need help at any time; or, if anyone wants to volunteer please call the office or e-mail Kathleen Heuschkel directly at khbrewster@aol.com.

WELCOME:

Ms. Myers complimented Ellen Watson for the beautiful welcome basket that was given to a new stockholder today.

BOAT RAMP/NORTH END:

We will need to coordinate dates with Arben Contracting for stockholders to get their boats and trailers back into the storage area. Ms. Myers said that Mr. Myers wants to get

the storage area organized and cleaned out to make the space more usable. It will be harder this year due to the construction to get the boats and trailers into storage.

INSURANCE:

Ms. Navin has notified Ms. Desidero that she will not serve as Chair of this committee next year due to work commitments. Ms. Desidero asked the residents to think about interest in this position. Ms. Desidero thanked Claire Navin for a job well done.

PAVILION:

Ms. Battreall reported that the Fire Alarm System is just about installed. We will then have an inspection by the Town of North Salem.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ms. Mytych reminded the office to put the Survey Review Committee on the agenda. Ms. Mytych, Ms. Enos and Mr. Cassidy met with a stockholder who had an issue with their survey. There is no recommendation to the Board as the issue has been resolved.

Ms. Desidero also asked for any interest in someone becoming the Ombudsman for the next year and thanked Ms. Mytych for a job well done.

Ms. Sheridan asked when her survey would be received. Ms. Battreall will ask Mr. Duffy about this.

Ms. Myers asked if any other letters came in regarding the surveys and Ms. Mytych said that no other letters have come in.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.