

VAIL'S GROVE COOPERATIVE, INC.

BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING

September 18, 2014

CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Ryan called the meeting to order at 8:05 pm and asked all to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

ATTENDANCE:

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

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

Mr. McGuinness made a motion to accept the minutes of the July 2014 minutes. Mr. Andrews seconded. Mr. Janecek, Mr. O'Toole and Mr. Duffy abstained. All others in favor. Motion approved.

Mr. Cassidy made a motion to accept the minutes of the short Board meeting held directly after the Annual meeting on September 7, 2014. Mr. O'Toole seconded. Mr. Andrews abstained. All others in favor. Motion approved.

COMMENTS & CONCERNS OF STOCKHOLDERS:

1. Mr. Dress would like to organize a New Year's Eve Party for this year and would like it to be called a "Vail's Grove" party. David Janecek will be organizing it with him. He is sure that the situation of losing money, as they did last year, would not be an issue this year. He will be hiring a DJ rather than the band and that would cut down on the cost. Mr. Dress will send a proposal to the Board of the breakdown in costs. The Board will then discuss. Mr. Janecek asked to be able to put a blurb about this in the Vails Voice in October.
2. Ms. Sheridan asked about the garbage pickup problem at the Grove. AAA is not picking up all the garbage. Ms. Battreall will contact the Town of Southeast again and also suggested that residents call the town themselves to complain. They miss the pick-up a lot on Tuesdays.
3. Mr. Sheridan complained about the motorized scooters driving around the Grove very quickly and going over the speed bumps at high speeds. They are actually driving faster than cars. He thinks that this could be a dangerous situation. We will also place info in the newsletter about this.
4. Mr. Ed Smith spoke about the Rules and Regulations stating that there are to be no un-licensed, unregistered vehicles driving through the Grove. He is complaining about the

ATV's driving around and feels this is a liability to the Grove. Mr. Ryan said we have spoken about these issues and have notified people and will be monitoring the situation. We will try to educate people in the Vail's Voice and see if the situation will change. Mr. Smith said there are not enough 10 MPH signs. Mr. Moore will place more signs around the Grove.

COMMUNICATIONS NOT INCLUDED IN REPORTS BELOW:

1. The Board received a Thank you note from Molly McGuinness for allowing her to use the Pavilion for her collection for the Putnam Humane Society for her Girl Scout project.
2. Mr. Paul Wicha sent a letter to the Board asking them to re-think and consider allowing underground sprinkler systems to be installed. Mr. Wicha was informed that the Rules and Regulations are in the process of being reviewed and the committee will address that. Mr. Wicha also asked if open fires are allowed in the Grove. He was informed that fire pits are ok.
3. A letter was received from Ms. McHale regarding a neighbor issue. This issue had been referred to the Ombudsman.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CHAIRPERSON:

Mr. Ryan stated that he was re-elected to serve as Chairman of the Board for another year. He said that this Board is a very effective Board. Mr. Ryan welcomed David Janecek as a new member of the Board. Mr. Ryan wishes Happy New Year to all Jewish residents and employees. Mr. Ryan stated that the Executive Board consists of Ms. Waltzer-Vice-Chair, Mr. Duffy – Vice President, Mr. Cassidy – Secretary. Ellen Mytych will continue as Treasurer although she is no longer on the Board.

VICE-CHAIRPERSON:

No report

VICE-PRESIDENT:

No report

TREASURER:

Mr. O'Toole made a motion to send one stockholder to legal for collections. Mr. Andrews seconded. All in favor. Motion approved.

ETHICS:

No report

FINANCE:

No Report

SECRETARY:

Mr. Cassidy reported the following:

The list of the dates for the Board meetings for the coming year is in the Board packet and will be put on the website. Please remember that being on the Board means you have made a commitment to attend Board meetings monthly and the office always needs to know if you cannot attend so we know if we have a quorum. Reports for all Board meetings need to be in the office by Tuesday morning at 8 am, prior to the Board meeting. The October 1st billing will go out along with the third quarter Vail's Voice. This is the last Vail's Voice of the year so please be sure to put in any information for the next three months. Submissions need to be to Carol Harting by September 25th. The office has started soliciting ads for the 2015 Directory. A form will be included in the October mailing for any changes, additions, deletions for the Directory. If you would like to advertise or put in well-wishes, the cost is \$30 for a business card size ad. Ask any of your local merchants if they are interested. The Conflict of Interest needs to be signed by all and returned to office for files. The office will start accepting credit cards for quarterly fee payment. More info will be in the office in October.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS:

Mr. Moore read the following:

Thank you to Tyler Hanson for the summer help. Thank you to Cathy Morris for helping with the gardens all summer and watering while I was on vacation. Water leak at 2 Orchard Road excavated by Butler Excavation and the pipe was repaired by Keene Plumbing. The cobblestone at the island of ramp 1 was repaired. The gate at the boat ramp was moved to make more room for winter storage of docks. Paddle board rack was made for beach. B&G is looking at some trees on Coop property that might be in poor condition. All boats should be off community docks by October 1st. B&G will not be responsible for any boats that are not removed by this date. Please don't wait. The north end storage area is ready; please use the outside space until full. Norton Circle paving estimates (roughly 4000 sq. ft.): Hartshorn Paving \$7500, Roadmaster Paving - \$8400, KECT construction-\$8600, Burdick paving - \$10,000.

REAL ESTATE:

No report

SUNSHINE:

A thank you note from Fred Witte was read.

MEMBERSHIP:

Mr. McGuinness made a motion to approve the rental from McCarthy to Sarno. Mr. Cassidy seconded. All in favor. Motion approved.

Mr. McGuinness made motion to ratify vote that was taken on the phone for sale from Keith to Ross. Mr. O'Toole seconded. All in favor. Motion approved.

Mr. McGuinness made a motion to ratify phone vote for sale from Nouza to DiMauro. Mr. Cassidy seconded. All in favor. Approved.

Mr. McGuinness made a motion to approve a re-finance for Mr. and Mrs. Cassidy. Ms. McHale seconded. Mr. Cassidy abstained. All others in favor. Motion approved.

Mr. McGuinness made a motion to approve re-finance for the Mytychs. Mr. Cassidy seconded. All in favor. Motion approved.

PAVILION:

Mr. Cassidy made a motion to approve Pavilion rental to Mr. and Mrs. Banfield for October 25th for \$1000. Ms. McHale seconded. All in favor. Motion approved.

Mr. Cassidy made a motion to approve Pavilion rental by the Emerald Society for October 11th for \$1000. Ms. McHale seconded. Motion approved.

OMBUDSMAN:

No Report

INSURANCE:

No Report

BOATS RAMP/NORTH END STORAGE:

No Report

PLEC:

Mr. Duffy reported that some people went down to the outlet last week and did some cleaning to keep the water flowing. Lunch was served and a lot was accomplished. Ms. Ryan said the this is to keep clearing out twigs to keep the water flowing.

LONG RANGE PLANNING:

No report

LEGAL:

Mr. Duffy made a motion to approve changing ownership of 74 VLSD from Joan and Jim Sheridan to The Sheridan Revocable Trust, with Joan and Jim Sheridan as Trustees. Mr. Cassidy seconded. All in favor. Motion approved.

AESTHETICS:

No Report

RECREATION:

No Report

RULES & REGULATIONS:

No Report

BEACH:

No report

PUMP HOUSE/WATER TANK REPLACEMENT:

No report

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Duffy expressed that he wants a few Board members to look at the new water tanks before final payment is released.

Ms. Sheridan complimented Mr. Moore about being so accommodating and also doing such a great job with gardening.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm.