

VAIL'S GROVE COOPERATIVE, INC

BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING

September 17, 2015

CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Ryan called the meeting to order at 8:10 pm and asked all to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

ATTENDANCE:

Ms. Waltzer took attendance:

Present: Ms. Salerno, Mr. Cassidy, Mr. Duffy, Mr. Janecek, Mr. McGuinness, Ms. Myers, Ms. Natiello, Mr. Norcross, Ms. Rubini, Mr. Ryan and Ms. Waltzer Absent: Ms. McHale and Mr. O'Toole.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

Mr. Cassidy made a motion to accept the minutes of the August Board meeting. Ms. Waltzer seconded. Abstained: Ms. Rubini, Ms. Myers, Ms. Salerno and Mr. Duffy. All others in favor. Motion approved.

Ms. Myers made a motion to approve the minutes of the short Board meeting held directly after the Annual Meeting on September 13. Mr. Cassidy seconded. Mr. Duffy abstained. All others in favor. Motion approved. Ms. Rubini then swore in Mr. Duffy as Director of the Board for three years, as he was not at the last meeting.

PAVILION RENTAL:

Ms. Waltzer made a motion to approve Pavilion rental application from Mary Rubini for the small room on September 26th. Ms. Myers seconded. Ms. Rubini abstained. All others in favor. Motion approved.

COMMENTS & CONCERNS OF STOCKHOLDERS:

Ms. Patti Tompkins submitted the following:

“My family and I have resided here for over 60 wonderful and happy years. All of the events and activities for all ages have been great and plentiful. Many of our neighbors are now reaching their 70's, 80's and 90's and are finding it difficult to get out and to socialize with one another. They in return are becoming homebound and lonely. I respectfully would like to address this issue and propose the use of the Pavilion one day a week for our seniors as a social recreation program. The program I have developed would include table games, knitting, crochet, sing a long, music and dancing for approximately 3 hours. We would also have coffee tea and a dessert. The event would be on a weekday from 1 pm until 4 pm. Set up and cleanup will be taken care of. You can decide which day of the week is available for us to use the Pavilion. Residents from North Salem, Brewster and surrounding Peach Lake would be invited. I anticipate 5-12 seniors to participate as the program develops. I look forward to your reply as I

would like to begin in the fall. I also need to know what cost if any would be for the Pavilion and what insurance would be required. Thank you so much for your time.”

Ms. Myers made a motion to approve the use for this purpose with no charge and no insurance required as the Coop has insurance to cover this. Ms. Natiello seconded. All in favor. Motion approved.

The next stockholder to speak was Jim Sheridan of 74 Vail’s Lake Shore Drive. Mr. Sheridan has a concern about how the Grove enforces the rules regarding pets off leashes, street parking, and trailers. We informed Mr. Sheridan that the pet issue has been referred to the Ombudsman to deal with. We asked Mr. Sheridan to address his issues in writing to the office if he sees that any Rules are not being obeyed. Mr. Sheridan feels that if a Board member sees anything, the Board should be able to act on it. Mr. Sheridan feels that rules shouldn’t be there if they are not going to be enforced.

COMMUNICATIONS NOT INCLUDED IN REPORTS BELOW:

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CHAIRPERSON:

No report

VICE-CHAIRPERSON:

No Report

VICE-PRESIDENT:

No report

SECRETARY:

The Annual meeting was held on Sunday, September 13. There was a quorum either in person or by Proxy of 57 people. We welcome our new Board member Juliann Salerno and thank Hugh Andrews for his years of service. Hugh will still be the Co-Chair of the membership committee. The office is very busy with paperwork. Sales, changes of names, rentals, real estate applications, etc. The deadline for the next Vail’s Voice is September 25th so the Voice could be mailed with the October quarterly bills. The office asks for Board members to please write something and submit to Carol. Also in the mailing will be a form for residents to update their information in the Directory. The Office is thinking of not publishing a new Directory but rather send an addendum with any and all updates, additions, deletions with the January mailing. Sue Enos is working on a Vail’s Grove 2016 calendar which will be available for sale in the office for all residents. Great Holiday gifts. More info to follow. The office received an anonymous

\$50 donation to the Softball team. The money was given to John Romano who purchased balls for the team and gave the office the receipt.

TREASURER/FINANCE:

No Report

ETHICS:

No report

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS:

Mr. Moore reported the following:

Thank you to Patty Ford for watering the flowers around the pavilion while I was on vacation. Blacktop/paving was completed by Kect Construction. All Coop docks are scheduled to be taken out October 17th. Please remove all boats before then. Coop not responsible for boats not removed by October 17th. Boat storage area is cleared and ready for registered stockholders. Please use the perimeter first. Boat and trailer registration can be done in the office if you haven't done it before. B&G has looked into security cameras around the Pavilion. Two contractors have submitted proposals. This will be tabled until next month. B&G is working with the Peach Lake Sewer District to investigate possible water leaks detected from water meter readings. So far our findings have been leaking sinks, toilets and faucets. Other problems have been leaking garden hoses. Please help and check your home for these potential leaks.

Mr. Moore will write and submit something for the Vail's Voice about the boats and docks.

Thank you to Carol Harting for weeding at Tompkins Garden. Ms. Waltzer stated that Mr. Moore did a fabulous job weeding Norton Circle. We are presently looking into some tree issues – The prices are very high. Mr. Moore will get more prices. There is a tree at 115 VLSD which is very large and dead and needs to be cut down. Mr. McGuinness stated that it will be taken care of shortly.

We will be holding off on a new gate at the Boat Ramp as we are investigating cameras. We are also hoping to put cameras at the beach.

We received a letter from Mr. and Mrs. Visbal regarding their neighbor Peter Vincent's lawn. The office had Salem Landscaping mow and clean it and Mr. Vincent will be billed back.

We received an e-mail from Mr. Waltzer regarding his feelings about the Grove purchasing a pick-up rather than a dump truck. There is a concern that perhaps we might need to rent a dump truck from time to time. Mr. Norcross will come back to the Board if he deems this necessary.

AD HOC TAX COMMITTEE:

No Report

REAL ESTATE:

Mr. Duffy made a motion to approve application from Steven Roberts at 21 VLSD for a covered porch with a catwalk. The porch will be on east and south. Mr. Vail made a presentation. Ms. Myers seconded. All in favor. Motion approved.

Mr. Duffy made a motion to approve the application from Deborah Rieders to replace an existing shed, add another shed, and install a Koi pond at 69 VLSD. Ms. Myers seconded. All in favor. Motion approved.

Mr. Duffy made a motion to approve an application from Joe and Julia DiMauro Jr. for the placement of a shed. Mr. McGuinness seconded. All in favor. Motion approved.

OMBUDSMAN:

No report

INSURANCE:

No Report

SUNSHINE:

Best wishes are sent to the following: Julie Pera, Claire Bierce, Kathleen Heuschkel, Peter Van Scoy and Jeff Ward...hope you all are on your way to feeling much better.

On a sad note, condolences go out to Moira Tolan and family on the passing of Moira's mother.

MEMBERSHIP:

Ms. Natiello made a motion to approve a rental application from Claudia Rinaldi to rent One Locust Road from Mrs. Mullaney starting October 1st. Ms. Myers seconded. All in favor. Motion approved.

Ms. Natiello made a motion to approve a rental application from Maria Hlushko to rent 9 Maple Lane from Phyllis and Bob Aries beginning October 1, pursuant to receiving a copy of the new Certificate of Occupancy.

BOATS RAMP/NORTH END:

No report

PUBLIC HEALTH/PUMPHOUSE:

If anyone is interested in getting Class C/D certification for the Pump House, please call the office or Westchester Community College for the next class dates. There will be an in-service from Foleys to all present operators on September 26th.

LONG RANGE PLANNING:

No Report

PLEC:

The following report came from Charlie Voelkl:

Update on outlet – PLEC will be purchasing one chain saw and an extra saw for the cost of \$250 and one boat app. Cost \$100-150. Charlie V. explained that they have cleared from the fence at the North End of Peach Lake, 1360 feet into Peach Lake Brook and 435 feet from Cobb Road up toward Peach Lake, for a total of 1795 feet. They removed tires, a boat, trees, wood and whatever else was in their way. We still have 2000 feet to clear.

There has been some activity with people doing some survey work around drains but no one knew what was being done, so we hope to have Warren Lucas and Tony Hay at the next meeting in November to explain what is being done.

There was a lot of discussion as to how to control boats entering the lake. The concern is that there are new weeds in the lake and we believe that the boats are bringing them in from other lakes. We hope to educate boat owners so they inspect their boats before putting them in the lake. Also, we are trying to find out what other lakes require before allowing boats to be launched in their lakes.

Peach Lake has been added to list of lakes on the Inland Waterway. We believe that this may allow us to apply for grant monies to clean the outlet but will ask Warren Lucas to explain.

Scott Cerosky explained that he spoke with Tony Hay and that there may be monies available for testing of sediment at the bottom of the North End of Peach Lake. Hopefully, both Tony Hay and Warren Lucas can make our next meeting and update us. The date of the next meeting will depend of the availability of Mr. Lucas and Mr. Hay.

RULES AND REGULATIONS:

No Report

LEGAL:

No report

AESTHETICS:

No Report

RECREATION:

The Thanksgiving Throwdown will be on Sunday, November 1. Please note the date change. The 5th Annual Ladies Night Out is going to be on Friday, November 20th. The Christmas party will be on Saturday, December 19th. The St. Patrick's Party will be on February 27th.

BEACH:

The Beach is now closed for the season. It was another fantastic year. Rentals were once again a success. Approximately \$1000 was made on the rentals and that will be used to buy more kayaks. The parties were well attended.

LEND A HAND:

No report

WELCOME:

No report

NEW BUSINESS:

Charlie Voelkl is looking for volunteers for Saturday, September 19 from 9 am until 4 pm to move rocks, dirt, gravel, etc. to Snake Island.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05.p.m.