

GENERAL MEETING TRAILS END CLUB on November 19, 2018

Meeting called to order by Geoff Walker at 8:30 am.

Board members present: Geoff Walker, Maureen Colburn, Judy Williams, Muriel McCallum, Bill Wright and Tom Dame

Board members absent: Ray Martin, Jim Frost and Chris Atlakson

Attendance: 140

Opening Prayer: Hank Vanderzyden.

Pledge of Allegiance: Forrest Zemlicka

Introduction of Newcomers to the Park: A new couple from New Brunswick introduced themselves.

Secretary Report:

Judy read the minutes of the last meeting. A motion was made to approve the minutes by Bruce Scott and seconded by Dan Dougherty. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Muriel read the Treasurer's report. A motion was made by John Kujda to approve the Treasurer's report and seconded by Judy Perras. Motion carried. A copy of the Treasurer's report is posted on the Board's bulletin board in the card hall.

President's Report:

Need a Volunteer to chair the USA Days for 2019. The date is set for February 9, 2019.

The Welcome Committee needs a volunteer that lives on N. Bermuda to join the committee.

Please contact Linda Weuthrich at 621 Trinidad if interested.

Thank you Peggy Anderson and Susie Vanderzyden for volunteering to coordinate the Christmas program.

Thank you John Gross for volunteering to help Forrest Zemlicka with the Aluminum can recycling.

Geoff reminded everyone that volunteers do all the activities in the club. We need more volunteers to step up and help with activities. Please go home and consider which activities you can help out with. Without volunteers, the Trails End Club will cease to exist.

A suggestion was discussed regarding having fewer Thursday nite Supper's due to the lack of volunteers. The Board views these meals as a service to the community and wants to see them continue. We would like to thank all the volunteers that stepped up to help. Geoff reminded everyone that this is a park activity and you can volunteer to help even if you do not reside on the street that is hosting the dinner.

Manager's Report:

Bonnie reported an issue that has been happening over the last few years. Early in the morning when the workers go into the Men's restroom by the pool, someone has been peeing in the sink.

This has been happening for the last 3 years. She stated that they would probably be forced to install a camera in the bathroom. They don't want to invade people's privacy, however if you don't want to be on film, use the stall.

Dan reported on the issue with the stray dogs. If anyone has seen any stray dogs, to notify Dan, He has some dog traps that can be used.

The RV mailboxes are being moved near the restrooms on Durango. They will be keyed and locked. You will need to checkout a key at the office to get our mail.

Please put your leaves on the compost piles, not in the metal containers. Those containers are for fruit and food waste. The maintenance guys will add the leaves to the containers as needed to control the smell.

The recycling should start being picked up on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

A question was raised as to what is that building that was constructed on Durango. Dan reported that it is a shed. The lady next to the shed is renting two lots and has chosen to build a shed on the 2nd lot.

A question was raised if there was any way to get lot numbers on Durango. Dan is looking for ideas on the best way to accomplish this. Some suggestions were to paint the numbers on the road, or to hand out numbers to the Rv's when they check in, that they need to display.

Old Business:

The following is a summary of the proposal created by Cliff Lenz for the new building. His full proposal will be attached to these minutes.

³⁵₁₇ The quilters/tie quilters will occupy the building with adequate storage for their supplies. The rest of the building will be a multi purpose use building, which can be coordinated by the calendar.

³⁵₁₇ It is time for the quilters to have their own space and proper storage.

³⁵₁₇ The poolroom will be expanded into the card hall by approximately 4 feet by moving the non-bearing wall. The Park Management will complete this renovation over the summer of 2019 at no cost to the social club. This will improve the poolroom space from inadequate to adequate. This space is not being utilized in the card hall.

³⁵₁₇ In the past when the woodshop, kitchen expansion, and pickle ball courts were built, we had a cost sharing agreement with Mr. Nodel.

³⁵₁₇ It is the committee's recommendation that we proceed in the same manner with our portion being raised thru fundraisers and from the General Club Revenue.

³⁵₁₇ The committee feels that 40 to 50 percent of the cost can be acquired thru fundraisers.

³⁵₁₇ We already have \$1,000.

³⁵₁₇ Our estimated cost is \$10,000 without A/C, Heat, light fixtures and storage costs.

³⁵₁₇ Mr. Nodel has spent \$24,000 including the cost of the cement pad, building the frame. This results in a 70/30 cost sharing split.

³⁵₁₇ Fundraisers proposed include spaghetti dinner, Quilt raffle and Will McCallum has offered to DJ some dances. Thru these efforts, the committee feels they could easily raise \$3,000. Other innovative fundraising methods will be explored as well. Fundraising can expand into next season as required.

³⁵₁₇ This leaves \$6,000 or less to be covered by the General funds.

³⁵₁₇ Material costs can be easily achieved and the committee recommends finishing the building with the estimated cost of \$10,000 with funds coming from fundraisers and

General Club Revenue. Going forward the committee requests \$4,000 as needed to start the building.

Sherry Rogers made a motion that the new building be occupied by the quilters/tie quilters and become a multi purpose building and that the poolroom receive their expanded space. The cost of the completion of the building is estimates at \$10,000. \$4,000 would be raised via fundraisers and \$6,000 would come from the general club revenue. Seconded by Susie Vanderzyden.

Geoff Walker then opened the floor for discussion and questions.

Questions/comments were raised regarding:

³⁵/₁₇ The cost of the A/C, Heating, light fixtures etc. These costs will be addressed in the next phase of construction. These items will be discussed with Mr. Nodel to see if he will agree to cover some of these expenses.

³⁵/₁₇ This construction will take a while; we will be lucky if the building is ready for use when we return in the fall of 2019. The construction will be done in phases.

³⁵/₁₇ The construction will be done via volunteer park labor, also Dan has offered the use of the parks maintenance guys for assistance when necessary.

³⁵/₁₇ A question was made regarding the construction of the building itself. Did we have the proper permits and was the building inspected. Geoff reported that the permits are not the responsibility of the social club. Dan responded that the building did not require a permit and a contractor oversaw the building construction. The building was built to the specifications of south Texas and Weslaco building code.

³⁵/₁₇ Cliff reported that Dan and his crew at no cost to the club will reinforce the beams in the building. When this is completed, the building will have no structural issues.

³⁵/₁₇ Geoff reported that volunteers without a permit built the woodshop and it is one of the safest buildings you will ever walk into and he assured everyone that this new building extension would be just as safe.

After much discussion, a motion was made by Ron Watson to table the vote for on the new building for one week, seconded by John Gross. Motion carried. The vote will happen at the November 26 meeting via a secret ballot.

New Business:

Judy Perras reported that there are a lot of items left over from the construction of the Pickle ball Court. She is asking to sell these items at the patio sale or thru other means and turn the proceeds to the Social Club.

Judy Perras made a motion to sell these items, Seconded by Peggy Anderson. Motion carried. If any resident would like any of the empty pails, you could have them.

Ron Stark reported that sometime during the Halloween Party, someone lost an earring. If it's yours, you can pick it up at 809 Yucatan.

Maureen reported that after the Pickle ball shed has been cleaned out, to have the Health committee review the space to see if it is adequate to store the Medical equipment.

Announcements from the floor:

Sunshine Lady: Beth reported that Sally Moe is not doing well and is in hospice.

Kitchen: Bev reported that everything is running smoothly. The Kitchen locks have been changed thanks to Tom Dame. She also reported that they have found a volunteer for the Saturday morning Breakfast rotation. Ron Watson reported that a small crisis with the Sunday Brunch, his clean up crew is not here yet, so if you can help please contact him. The clean up takes about an hour and it starts at 12:00 on Sunday.

Health:

Tuesday Entertainment:

Sandy Robinson reported on many events that are happening in the area. Please see her board in the card hall for more details.

Newsletter: Brenda Shearer reported that the deadline for the December newsletter is November 20. You can drop off at 857 Yucatan or you can email at newsletter@trailsendclub.com. She is also looking for volunteers to deliver the newsletter especially for Durango as her volunteer had issues finding the lot numbers.

Activity Chairs:

Bridge lessons will start in January. There will be a sign up sheet in the Library.

Cribbage will be starting on Thursday, November 29 at 1 pm in the library. You don't need a partner. You just need to bring a dime, two nickels and a penny.

The activity chairs reported on the many activities that are happening this week.

Half a chance draw took in \$76 and \$38 was awarded to lucky ticket holders.

Adjournment: Ginger Dougherty made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Floyd Neal

Meeting was adjourned at 9:50 am.

Peggy Hulteen led in singing God Bless America and was accompanied by Peggy Anderson on the keyboard.

Recorded by Judy Williams