



Coulwood Community Council Board of Directors Meeting

Agenda

Monday, March 8, 2021, 7:00pm

Call to Order Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance

- Call to order at 7:06pm

Attendees & Guests/Acknowledgement of Guest Concerns

- **Board Attendees/Volunteers:** Misty Johnson (MJ), Rhoxie Booth (RB), Bob Comito (BC), Candice Dennehy (CD), Lydia Rozier (LR), Nerissa Helms (NH), Mark Zagar (MZ)
- **Guests:** Zak and Morgan Leddy
- **Guest Concerns:** none

President's Remarks

- Welcome + thanks for coming; thanks to everyone's hard work to get things moving

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

- February 8 meeting
 - 1st- NH
 - 2nd- CD
 - all in favor, none opposed
- February 22 special meeting
 - 1st - CF
 - 2nd- CD
 - all in favor, none opposed

Treasurer's Report

1. Income:
 - a. Pool memberships \$1685
 - b. Council Memberships \$2160
 - c. Donations \$485
 - d. Total \$4291.47
2. Bills for January and February due to lapse/turnover in Treasurer
 - a. will have a credit of \$77.47 for pumphouse

- b. permits for pool \$310
- c. Disposal of yard waste: \$52
- d. Lawn service: \$332
- 3. Total expenses: \$1261.74
- 4. Bank summary reconciliation \$7589.52
- 5. Bank balance (March lawn service taken out) \$7155.62
- 6. Will owe \$6980 on April 1st to Trident (we can pay partial)
- 7. Motion to approve:
 - o 1st: LR
 - o 2nd: CF
 - *approved by all*

Committee Reports

Welcoming/Public Relations (CF)

- 4 closed sales in the neighborhood (Stony Point, Mellwood, Belmorrow x2)
 - o working with LR and Chris Reavis on a welcome letter
 - o admin items are included in the grant; new
 - o will plan to use membership letter for welcoming; include coupons for local business
 - Morgan Leddy will offer coupon for hair services
 - MJ will offer coupon for massage services
 - MJ: consider offering one free weekend to the pool; 4 free guest passes to pool
 - idea is to redirect people to *website*, not expecting flyers

Clubhouse (RB)

- Jeepin' 4 a Cause is renting this weekend
- Rental coming up next weekend, too
- Vote on color to paint clubhouse
 - o RB shared photo options of colors
 - CF offered that Benjamin Moore does color draw-ups of what might look good; may take a week
 - CF will send out results to everyone
 - o LR recommended not going with white for sustainability
 - o NH brought up budget
 - o May need to do a fundraiser or a council member fronts money
 - Hillcrest Church is asking for wishlist to help in community
 - o Need to paint bathrooms, ideally before workday

Membership/Grievance (LR)

- 34 council memberships; 5 pool memberships (1 family)
 - may need to target marketing to family messaging
 - Board needs to join council and then promote by word-of-mouth
 - all new memberships have received a card inviting them to events and directing them to the website
- (CF) will put out 2 signs (Tom Sadler and Valleydale) with (LR) at Coulwood Hills signs; recommend adding one to Cathy Rd. and Tom Sadler
- (CF) will update sign on poolhouse to remind to join council and pool
- *Tabled until 2nd half of year: Discuss/Vote on membership tiers*

Entertainment/Athletic (NH)

- Regulations have not been lifted; no updates on swim team

Building/Grounds/Maintenance (MZ)

- Painting April 28th with Lester; MZ has been working to straighten up things, i.e., replacing rotting wood, new wood around chimney, will meet with Lester this week to discuss paint type for the west side of pool house (due to increased sun exposure)
- Trident will need to do ground resistance test; need to put a ground loop in *prior* to opening pool; will need to cut a 3in channel around perimeter of pool and then will add #8 wire; will cost minimum \$10,000; plan to rent a walk-behind saw to cut the loop in
 - MJ should have an answer about renting the walk-behind concrete saw; cheaper by the week to rent
 - MZ needs to have an answer about borrowing or rent by Thursday, March 11th, in the afternoon; he needs to start doing this by Friday
 - MZ doing this would save us the labor, but needs to do this under a contracting license; labor should save us approx \$5000
 - MZ is working with Trident to work on install of metal
 - Trident will not participate in opening the pool if this grounding is not done first
- Will also need to raise the pump up; so that motor does not need to be rebuilt everytime there is a flood
- Need to decide on some workdays: gutters, bars, etc
 - RB will plan to make a Sign-up Genius for work day sign ups; currently marked as 4/17 and 4/24
 - also need 2-3 people assisting in the coming week with the cutting the concrete
- Can add to post about workdays about need for contracting skills

- Motion to approve grounding pool:
 - 1st: RB
 - 2nd: NH
 - 7 in favor, 1 abstained; passed

Unfinished Business

- Need to vote on Proposed event Calendar for 2021:
 - <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1-07YP4kO5YtkhYrlnZSufuwT1uGfJ4ERUA4bqhYkLUU/edit?usp=sharing>
 - RB will add dates to website
 - will be vague on what to expect with Covid and grant approval
 - Motion to approve event calendar
 - 1st: CD
 - 2nd: LR
 - all in favor, passed
- UPDATE: Grant was approved at 2/22 meeting and has been sent in
 - should hear back in next few weeks; may need to tweak things; will know by mid-April
 - need to keep record of hours starting 4/22
 - RB will make a spreadsheet to keep track of hours
- MZ, MJ, RB went to board retreat, which was very successful; will count toward \$1500 worth of hours toward grant; 20 hours already went into writing grant

New Business

- Park redesign proposal (CD)
 - *Idea: use of recycled/reclaimed items to make a sustainable park*
 - *Rationale: good for environment, keeping down costs, use of local resources/community building, and positive press for Coulwood*
 - *local resources include Coulwood Tire and Auto will donate used tires to project*
 - *Plan: work with UNCC students and professor/architect Marc Manack (of SILO AR+D) to create a sustainable design that uses grant resources over time to update and restore the Coulwood Hills Park*
 - *step 1: distribute google poll for community feedback on design*
 - *step 2: distribute to community to join April meeting for further discussion*

- *step 3: Marc will join our April 12th meeting and will present findings of the poll and will directly answer guest and board questions about the project*
 - *step 4: TBD at next meeting*
 - Motion to approve moving forward with partnership with UNCC and post survey and invite Marc to next meeting:
 - *1st: LR*
 - *2nd: RB*
 - *all in favor, motion passed*
- New grant proposal (MJ)
 - AARP grant for inclusion/ walkability/pathways; no interest expressed in
- Pool hours + equipment
 - MJ sent an email to Board with times; 2 people on duty from open to close
 - restrictions will be same for now as they were last year
 - added 9 days to the pool time because school will be out sooner; plan to reduce hours to **close at 8pm**; hours list is somewhat negotiable
 - RB will plan to look at hours from last year to check numbers of when people have been coming to
 - Motion to close pool at 8pm, instead of 9pm
 - 1st RB
 - 2nd CD
 - all in favor
- Neighborhood boundaries (RB)
 - City of Charlotte does not define boundaries; it's up to us to determine where our neighborhood boundaries fall; 1256 homes, according to nextdoor
 - RB shared boundary map, according to Nextdoor
 - *Tabled until next meeting*: apply for sign toppers on streets to say "Welcome to Coulwood Hills", etc
- Easter Egg Hunt: March 27th, 10am-12pm; 10:30am hunt will begin
 - Easter egg hunt has been shared in Coulwood Hills mom group
 - Use google sign up form or no? Asking moms (RB, NH)....
 - do not want to limit audience by asking for sign-up
 - not much traffic on social media posts
 - MZ recommended going to churches to encourage attendance
 - consider blasting wider to other neighborhoods
- Considered selling land behind clubhouse to cover some other expenses

- Permit for July 4th, needs to make sure it is active for this year's parade (will be CD's duty); supposedly will be carried over

Next Meeting – Monday, April 12, 2021

Adjournment

- Motion at 9:11pm
 - 1st NH
 - 2nd BC
 - all in favor; none opposed