



## **Coulwood Community Council Board of Directors Meeting**

Agenda/Minutes

February 9, 2026

**Call to Order, Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance - 7:02pm**

### **Attendees & Guests**

- **Board members: Thomas Haygood (TH), Tamara Haygarth (TLH), Jenna Restrepo (JR), Amanda Chambers (AC), Alex Yourish (AY), Hannah Griffith (HG), Leslie Campbell (LC), Abby Limauga (AL), Emma Spaulding (ES), Christine Patino (CP)**
- **Guests: Miriam Holcomb, Mark Holcomb, Gus Kretschmer**
- **Acknowledgment of Guest Concerns: Mission City Church outreach – planning to join again for the fall festival and have their face painter out again, planning to participate in the July 4 parade, planning to help with the spring and fall clean up days, offering to also help with concessions at the pool**

### **President's Remarks**

- **12 accounts paid for the pool**
- **ACH is now set up for paying pool memberships**
- **In the season of gearing up for the pool and will be starting to get really busy with promoting the pool – need to make a flier and start posting it and advertising to get NEW members**

### **Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**

- **January Meeting Minutes approved by (JR), second (AY)**

### **Treasurer's Report (LC)**

- **January Treasurer report approved by (AY), second (HG)**
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## **Committee Reports**

### **Welcoming/Public Relations (TLH/AC)**

- **Only 3 houses sold recently.**

### **Clubhouse (JR)**

- **3 rentals in January, 3 booked for February, 7 rentals for paid for throughout the next few months**
- **A lot of interest as well and the new rate does not seem to have deterred anyone so far**
- **The new pricing was based on the following research:**

**Coulwood Clubhouse is a 1,300 sq. ft. volunteer-run community space built in 1959**

**Growing demand from non-members and rising operating costs (utilities, repairs)**

**Maintain simple flat, full-day rental model to support volunteer management**

**Goal: align pricing with local market while prioritizing neighborhood access**

### **Local Market Snapshot**

**Charlotte community rooms & non-profit venues: ~\$200-\$800+ per full day**

**Small private event venues: ~\$700-\$1,500+ per event day**

**Average Charlotte event venue: ~\$800-\$1,800 for a full-day rental**

**Current Coulwood rates are significantly below comparable spaces**

## **Proposed Updated Rental Rates**

**Member Rate: \$200-\$250 per full-day rental + refundable deposit**

**Non-Member Rate: \$500-\$650 per full-day rental + refundable deposit**

**Deposit: \$200 for members/non-members**

**Flat, full-day pricing (10am-11pm) remains unchanged**

**Clear and enhanced cleaning instructions**

**Member rate remains well below market to prioritize residents**

**\*\* Underline indicates rates agreed to during the 2025 Board retreat**

## **Community Impact & Benefits**

**Ensures funds for ongoing maintenance and clubhouse improvements**

**Balances affordability with sustainability**

**Ensures community members continue to have clubhouse rental as a benefit of paying their annual membership dues**

**Reduces wear-and-tear risk from increased usage**

**Protects long-term value of a shared neighborhood asset**

## **Pool/Neighborhood Membership (AL/LC)**

- **12 accounts paid for the pool**
- **4 neighborhood donations paid**

## **Building/Grounds/Maintenance (TH/AY)**

- **Ice and snow caused issues with getting quotes so there was a little delay**
- **Electromagnet lock is an issue with our current double door.**
- **February 28th – Winter clean-up day – deep clean the clubhouse & clean out the pump house as the pool**

## **Fundraising ()**

- **Grant application (Christine)**
  - **Can apply for up to \$25,000**
  - **Needs for the clubhouse include ceiling - remove popcorn, even out ceiling where it is bowing, fix cabinets, etc to improve the aesthetics**
    - **Two quotes:**
      - **\$9,000 for a limited amount of work**
      - **\$19,000 for a full overhaul**
- **Cost of July 4 parade permit went up significantly this year (Tamara)**
  - 2026: \$1080 total - \$230 app & \$850 permit**
  - 2025: \$710 total - \$130 app & \$580 permit**
  - Proposal to inform the neighborhood in advance of the parade that if we do not raise the full amount to cover the costs via parade entry fees for 2026, we will not host the 2027 parade due to lack of funds for the permit for 2027 (which will likely go up again).**

- **Once a year the city of Charlotte has a board retreat that puts you through a training process – March 21 this year**

- **Boards will learn how to:**

- **Mentor and onboard new board members**
- **Clarify board roles, responsibilities, and boundaries**
- **Practice collaborative leadership and leverage board strengths**
- **Strengthen board credibility and build community trust**

**Throughout the retreat, board teams will learn from peers, reflect on their current practices, and identify strategies to strengthen communication, leadership, and alignment within their organization.**

### **Marketing/ Communication (AC)**

- **Next Bunco Night –**
- **Next Board Meeting - March 9**
- **List of Coulwood Events: (Only promote what is bolded)**
  - **February 28th- Winter Cleanup - Thomas and Alex**
  - **March 28th / Rain date April 4th - Easter Egg Hunt - Jenna**
  - **April 18th - Neighborhood Pancake Breakfast (Doll Enterprizes) & Spring Workday (Thomas and Alex)**
  - **May 1st - Pool Opening**
  - **May 25th - Memorial Day 5k - Select Physical Therapy**
  - **July 4th - Fourth of July Parade - Alex**
  - **August 4th - National Night Out - Emma**

- o **November 7th / Rain date Nov 8th - Fall Festival - The Haygarths**
- o **December 12th - Caroling in the Park - The Baumgartners**

**Unfinished Business**

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**New Business**

**Next Meeting - Monday, March 9, 2026**

**Adjournment - 8:34pm**