

MINUTES
COLINGTON HARBOUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
March 14, 2023 8:00 AM

Call To Order: Meeting was called to order at 8:03A by President Doug Wirth

Present:

Doug Wirth, President

Stephen Ornstein, 1st Vice President

Bill Meyer, 2nd Vice President

Howard Snyder, Chairman

David Creecy, Treasurer

Leah Holmes, Secretary

Others Present:

Donna Price, Community Manager

Pat Card, Maintenance Manager

Ann Blomberg, Bookkeeper

Wendi Kmet, Covenant Enforcement,

Approval of Agenda – Motion to approve Agenda by Leah Holmes, Daniel Hoggard 2nd – All in favor

Approval of Minutes – Motion to approve February 28th meeting minutes by Daniel Hoggard, David Creecy 2nd - All in favor

Foreclosures:

- None
- Bookkeeper Ann Blomberg discussed a new feature that Jordan Price is offering regarding tracking license numbers. The Board asked Covenant Enforcement to research if there is a need for this feature to present at a future meeting.

Hearings:

- None
- Wendi Kmet share the following information
 - A proposal from John's Brothers to upgrade CHA's current security systems including additional cameras, and other helpful features. The Board asked for further information from current clients

Department Reports

- **Maintenance** - Maintenance Manager Pat Card gave a report on the following:
 - State that the tree company that is currently trimming trees is a subcontractor for Dominion Power. This is not related to our biannual tree trimming
 - Work on the bulkhead at the dog park is complete
 - Pat, with help from David Creecy, regraded sand around the playground and soundside park, in addition to pulling up a tree stump. Additional work needs to be done.
 - Pat and David recommended that the next time we dredge, we file for a beach nourishment permit that will allow us to keep the sand
 - The Soundfront Park will be open on April 1st
 - The maintenance crew has started prepping for the Spring
- **Administration** - Community Manager Donna Price informed the Board that:
 - She is getting an estimate for a different tree trimming service for our biannual tree trimming
 - She was asked to reach out to a 2nd company for a quote
- **Covenant Enforcement** - Wendi Kmet with Covenant Enforcement gave the following information:
 - A complaint was filed against Bill Meyer for use of an unlicensed golf cart within the Harbour, and Daniel Hoggard for posting allegedly misleading information regarding golf carts on the "Colington Harbour Uncensored" Facebook group.

- An additional complaint was filed against Bill Meyer for operating an unlicensed golf cart within the Harbour on multiple occasions
- Another complaint was filed against Jennie Thomas for indicating that she operates an unlicensed golf cart within the harbour in a Facebook post
 - The Board discussed all complaints, and based on Bill Meyer's account of being stopped 4 times by Dare County Sheriffs and not receiving a ticket, a motion was made to draft a letter to send to Doug Doughtie asking Dare County to enforce CHA's covenants regarding golf carts by Howard Snyder, Stephen Ornstein 2nd - Howard Snyder, Stephen Ornstein, David Creecy, Leah Holmes in favor, Daniel Hoggard, Bill Meyer opposed. Motion passed.
 - Secretary Leah Holmes was asked to respond to the complainants via email
- **Security**
 - A motion was made to proceed with John's Brothers upgrading CHA's security system for the 2023/2024 budget season by Leah Holmes, Howard Snyder 2nd

Officers Reports

Doug Wirth, President: Asked about the personal golf cart being stored at the Maintenance yard. Donna agreed to address the matter

Stephen Ornstein, 1st Vice President: Spoke with Fred Smith about getting a quote to pave part of CHA's modular section

Bill Meyer, 2nd Vice President: Asked about possibly moving the dog park to a different area within the Soundfront park. The issue was tabled until after the 2023/2024 budget is approved

Howard Snyder, Chairman: No Report

David Creecy, Treasurer:

- Gave a report on the financials
 - Due to the FDIC ruling in 2022 requiring CHA to forward funds to capital reserves before they are usually due, in addition to the funds required to finance paving last fall, no major projects can start until after April in order to maintain operating expenses for staff and Association bills. Funds do not need to be transferred back from Capital Reserves. The Association remains funded at over 80%

Leah Holmes, Secretary: No Report

Daniel Hoggard, Member at Large: No Report

Old Business

- Colony Lake
 - David Creecy stated that work continues to progress on creating a path for equipment to reach the pipe in the lake
 - He requested that a "No dumping without permission from Colington Harbour Association" sign be posted
- Security Committee: See report above
- Dog Waste Stations: Tabled until after the 2023/2024 Budget is approved

New Business:

- Ballot Voting:
 - Secretary Leah Holmes was asked about scheduling the ballot voting on April 4th or 5th based on work schedule. Board members were encouraged to help

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn at 9:30A by Leah Holmes, Stephen Ornstein 2nd – All in favor