

SPANISH LAKES - GOLF VILLAGE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
APRIL 7, 2022

Call to order

- The meeting was held in the clubhouse Auditorium and called to order at 7:02 PM
- The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Speaker of the Month

- Representatives of Port St. Lucie Animal Control, David Lichtenfels and Lisa Brown, and PSL Police Sgt. Dellacroce, spoke about the Animal Control program and how citizens can access assistance with problem animals. (See pamphlet for program details, contact information and pertinent regulations). They stated that an alligator near its natural environment such as a pond is not considered a nuisance, but if next to one's door or car would be. They cautioned that feeding wild life is essentially a "death sentence" for the animal. Human food interferes with normal digestion and leads to dependency and loss of the natural fear of humans. With the exception of bird seed for birds, it is illegal to feed the wildlife.

Minutes of the March 3rd meeting

As previously established, the minutes of the last meeting were not read as they have been available on the HOA website and in the HOA binder in the clubhouse for members to review. Bobby Clancy moved to accept the March minutes as posted, subject to amendment. Louise Muskas seconded and the motion carried with a verbal vote.

Treasurer's report for the period of 3/3/22 thru 4/7/22

- Doreen reported that the starting checking account balance was \$3738.64 and ending balance was \$5404.73. Petty cash starting balance was \$54.00 and ending balance was \$45.00. (See detailed report). Al Jacomini moved to accept the report as written. Linda DiPietro seconded.

Membership Report

- **Membership** – Sandi reported that prior to the meeting we had 272 members. With 4 new members added tonight, we now have 276 members. There were 53 members in attendance.
- **Sunshine** – Since the last meeting, Sandi sent 3 Get Well cards. Sandi still needs to be notified regarding neighbours who are ill or have passed away so she can send cards.
- **New Resident Welcoming** – In the past month, 12 new park homeowners were welcomed

Old Business/ Board of Directors Report

- **Fundraising/Events**
 - **Flea Market** – Fran Neal reported that the Flea Market was successful, earning over \$1000 from table sales, bake sale, basket raffles and Grille proceeds for the day. She thanked everyone who bought tables, helped out, donated items for the basket raffles and bake sale, and those who came and supported the effort. She asked folks to consider donating items for baskets for the Spring Fling as that made the Flea Market baskets very profitable. She also mentioned the possibility of doing a Holiday Craft Fair in the fall. Anyone interested should contact Fran.
 - **The Grille** – Susan reported that the Grille cleared \$743.08 profit between January 17th and March 29th which isn't bad considering the start-up costs. Susan said that the Grille is an important fundraising effort to help cover our legal fees, and is a win-win when folks come for lunch on Monday or Tuesday. However we need more customers. We have different specials weekly so it isn't just the same old fare. The menus are posted on our website. We appreciate those who've helped, and we need more volunteers.
 - **Spring Fling Dinner Dance** – Sandi reported that plans are well underway for the event on April 30th. This is a fundraising effort so we're hoping for a really good turnout. Details are on the flyer

posted in the clubhouse and on our website. Tickets are \$20 and will be on sale on April 18th and 19th from 11am to 1pm at the Grille, and in the Clubhouse on 4/21 from 10am to 12pm and 4/22 from 4pm to 6pm. We need volunteers to help that day and are hoping for donations to make nice baskets to raffle off. Contact Sandi to volunteer.

- **Pool Party** – The tentative date is May 15th. However, we need to have a clear idea of the level of support before proceeding. Anyone planning to attend, please add your name to the preliminary commitment form in the HOA binder. If there is enough interest we'll proceed.
- **Memorial Day** – We plan to have an event but haven't yet gotten rolling with specific details. We are asking for volunteers, especially veterans, to help with the program.
- **Wood Shop** – This is on our list for mediation.
- **FMO** – There is a District meeting in May that Board members plan to attend.
- **File storage** – The Board approved the purchase of an HOA file cabinet which will be in the library.
- **Website report** – We are now sharing event information with Spanish Lakes Country Club. Their event information is listed on our website and ours will be on theirs. The website remains the primary way the Board communicates with the Golf Village community and everyone is encouraged to use the website regularly to stay informed. The address is www.spanishlakesgolfhoa.com.

New Business

- **Mediation**

We were initially scheduled for mediation on March 21st, however the Wynne's requested to change the plan and have all 3 parks on the same day (2 hours/park) in person at their Best Western here in PSL. As that was not acceptable to any of us, we now have a new Zoom mediation date of May 4th, again for just our park. Some of our Dispute Committee will travel to Cape Coral to be with Attorney Burandt for the Zoom session. We'll report the outcome at the general membership meeting on May 5th.

Good of the Order/Open floor

- Al Jacomini asked how long the dispute will go on. Bill explained there is no time limit, and noted that mediation is not a "court" action. If the dispute isn't resolved, the next step is arbitration, and from there litigation. The Dispute Committee believes that with so much at stake and already invested, we need to see it through to the end, whenever that is.
- Bill thanked the Bocce Club for donating to the legal fund, and hopes that the other clubs will consider helping out as well. This effort isn't for the HOA – it is for every homeowner in Golf Village.

50/50 – Al Jacomini won \$35 and graciously donated it back to the HOA

Announcements

The next General Membership Meeting will be on Thursday, May 5th at 7 PM.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made at 8:00 PM by Annemarie Huggins and seconded by Linda DiPietro.

Respectively submitted,
Susan George, HOA Secretary