

# **Stonebridge Ranch Amenities Committee Meeting Minutes**

June 10, 2020

## **Roll call**

The Following Persons were present at the May 13, 2020 meeting was held at the Pavilion by the Aquatic Center.

Norm Counts, Julie Lichter, Tom Fredricks, Jim Buerkle, Nathan de Guia, David Vartian, Greg Herbst, Mike Cawley, Lisa Porter, Sheryl Ek, & Jim Terilli.

## **Call To Order**

Tom called to order the regular meeting of the Amenities Committee and asked for approval of the last meetings minutes. Motion was made to approve the minutes as submitted, seconded and approved by voice vote unanimously.

## **Agenda Items**

### **A. Board Liaison Report Norm Counts**

- a) Norm asked Greg for a quick update on the dredging of Winter Haven. Greg reported the following:
  - i) There was an incident with one of the trucks hauling the muck from the pond hitting a residents automobile. The dredging company was handling this with the homeowner and was being resolved without issues.
  - ii) One of the CAT 9 bulldozers got stuck in the muck up to the cab. In attempting to extricate the CAT, severe damage to the bulldozer occurred and a delay to the dredging activity to remove the Dozer.
- b) Pools: There has been a substantial amount of discussion regarding the pools. Given the Governors actions approving up to 50% occupancy at the time we were implementing our 25% Policies created a significant amount of new work on the part of the board.
  - i) The reservation system has encountered a series of challenges:
    - (1) Over subscribed
    - (2) Folks who reserve and don't show/cancel

- (3) Folks waiting in line for access when reservations don't show creating some angst.
- (4) These are being worked by Greg and the board to improve the system and allow access to the maximum number allowed by the State Regulations.
- (5) The board anticipates that the Governor will continue to ease restrictions perhaps as early as next week to either 75% or 100%. The Board is working to be prepared for any change to the current status..

ii) Norm then discussed an issue arising regarding Quail Creek. Homeowners have complained about the Algae, weed growth and health of the lake. Greg added some details the most significant was that the City had ruled Quail Creek as a retention pond whose purpose was to prevent runoff from the Golf Course from entering the Sewer System. As such SBR has never intended to treat it as anything other than a retention pond. Further discussion surrounding the treatment of Algae in all of the ponds. How often, why do we still have algae covering some parts of some of the ponds?

**B. Fish/Ponds Update:** Jim Buerkle presented the details around the idea of positioning fish feeders around Five of the SBR ponds. Feeders would be positioned around two of the Wellington Ponds, La Cima, and Stonebridge Lake. The purpose of the feeders is to support the Bluegill population to eliminate the need to stock Tilapia on a frequent basis. The capital cost would be in the neighborhood of \$5,500 with an ongoing cost for feed of 2,400 per year. The committee voiced concerns around potential complaints from homeowners due to size, appearance, etc. In the end it was decided to go back to Magnolia and ask for a quote for 3 feeders to start, and see how it goes. Julie and Jim are going to go to the lakes suggested to scout for optimal placement.

#### **C. Pickleball court update**

- a) Greg reported that he had been in discussion with the design firm who has committed to deliver a design proposal by 6/12/2020.
- b) Tom raised the issue of wait times at the pickleball courts at the Aquatic Center and proposed posting some Court Courtesy rules to address playing time when others are waiting etc. The committee supported this idea.

#### **D. Premier Community Comparison**

- a) Norm reported that he was having some challenges around obtaining a methodology for scoring the various amenities that He, Tom, and Julie had

developed. He has reached out to the Management Staff for help to determine if we have the right categories and then how to weight them.

#### **E. 2021 Budget Shopping list**

- a) Norm reminded us that as the board is beginning to discuss what the spending requirements for next year are, now is the time to submit out wish list.
  - i) Nora Haney phase 1
  - ii) Mini Golf Course
  - iii) Additional Pickle Ball Courts
  - iv) Pond erosion
  - v) Pond Dredging
  - vi) Vacant Lot described by Greg that might be for sale which we could use for additional amenities.
  - vii) Walking trail signs designating distance

#### **F. Prospective Member**

- a) Jim Terilli introduced himself to the committee discussing his background, time in the community, and interest in joining the Committee.
- b) He was excused, a motion was made to consider him a member of the committee, moved, seconded, and approved.

#### **G. Nominations for Vice Chair**

- a) There were none. Tom said we would revisit this at the next *meeting* in July.

#### **H. Old Business**

- a) Mini Golf Norm stated that having the opportunity to spend time at the Aquatic Center at the Pavilion had make him aware of the space we have with which we could possibly lay out a course. Lisa said that they have a putting green in their backyard and that the company they worked with would be a great consultant as she has worked with them twice. Nathan agreed to working with Lisa to get a conversation going.
- b) **Adjournment** Tom asked for a motion to adjourn, one was made and seconded, the meeting adjourned at 4:35p,

**I. Next Meeting July 15<sup>h</sup>, of 2020.**

Minutes taken and submitted by: Jim Buerkle