

Meeting Minutes February 6th 2023

Call to order

Pledge of allegiance Performed

Roll Call: Nick H, Mel, Jason, Bonnie, nick M, Brad, George

Not Present: Al, Marlin

Summary was read of purpose- agenda

Discussion begins:

Member asked, Are Minutes were available upon request, Board answered, yes.

Kathy P (former president) noted that anyone can view them.

Michelle noted that gambling records are always available also

Member asked, Why wasn't information printed out, George noted that he was not aware it was required.

Member asked, Was the board trying to reduce paper – Yes, the goal was to reduce paper and allow for electronic access of minutes and agenda. Agenda is a live document that the board can view anytime, and is available online for members to view as well.

Member asked if Renters need to be a member to vote. Yes, some renters were grandfathered in, but any renters wanting to be a member would need to pay the membership fee.

George discussed that the Board should update bylaws – limit membership to protect community

Member– asked if there is training for board members, there is not.

George noted that Board does not have an employee handbook, we don't have passing of the torch, we will get training, and also a shadowing program for the first two months upon taking over a position.

Member an email was sent out to some members, how did this member get his email address, he does not recall giving permission to be contacted via email by other members.

George - membership does not have a privacy policy, we are hoping that the next membership form will have a privacy option.

Another Member received a letter as well and was concerned about privacy.

It was asked why not everyone in the community received a letter/petition. Board does not know why not everyone got a letter.

Member asked when the board was aware of the petition. Majority of the Board was not aware of the complaint prior to the petition receipt of the complaint in November. We only knew there was a petition because members who disagreed with it brought it to our attention.

Percentage of required signatures for petition needs to be updated to reflect state statutes.

Member needs help with emails – Mel to help.

Member - The person who made the complaint is not here. They knew since 2020 and did not address it to the community.

Discussion on the accusations mentioned like the fundraisers.

Nick H -they benefit our community, however we try to limit because we've advertised and had too many people come. We don't have food, etc.

Nick M – this current board we have your best interests in our minds. Goal is to make the community friendly, helpful, and fun. We were all blindsided and acted as quickly as we could. Disappointed with rumblings and threats of taking away the community center. Keep the events going, Nick doesn't care if we make a dollar as long as the community enjoys the events.

Member – misappropriating funds, George does not hold the checkbook and does not have a credit card. Any event brought to him must come from another member.

Member- Didn't see a problem with funds, covid, etc.

Michelle- gambling there must be a certain amount that needs to be spent if we don't we get in trouble.

We have plenty of money to take care of our community, if we need to help seniors, or hardships, that's what were here for.

Member- If that's the boards attitude then that would be to invite all members to the events free of charge, and everyone should be invited.

Member – 501C3, senior support only or to the community as a whole? As a whole

Member – Regarding concern of members renting the center for a private party - If you have a private party, you sign something saying you take personal responsibility.

Bonnie H – Rental is not a big money maker. Break even.

Member– Members are always invited, and we also have flyers and bulletin boards up. Mel brings flyers and volunteer sign up sheets to the store.

Member expressed that cannot consider gambling income. We only make 4,000 income. We need to make sure there is regular income.

Michelle is the gambling manager, it is not the income and the board decides what it can be spent on. We are right where we needed to be. Comments regarding not providing minutes at the annual meeting and it is not required to be provided, they are able to review all the reports. Gambling control board has lawful gambling codes/rules, the board has all the rules and we know what event comes out of what.

Member thanked the community for providing for her family at a time of loss, and it is not a misuse of funds.

Member would like to congratulate michelle shes done a great job. Why are we putting it in danger by any risky behavior by any one member or any other member. Have a member dinner instead.

Member expressed that Pig Roast has been a staple of the community, noted that when there was rumblings about stopping among talk of stopping other events, that is when they voted George in.

Member expressed that we do not even roast a pig for it anymore. That members who used to do it moved out.

Member Noted that he provided the community center with smoked pulled pork, and volunteered his time and effort to do so.

George read the resolution out loud.

Any questions – Member asked if the resolution is adopted – will the consultant and training be continual – Yes.

Member asked if the resolution is not adopted, will there be anything holding the board accountable to the training and other items in the resolution.

Nick noted – modifying bylaws to bring up to current non profit laws.

Questions about how to vote.

Instructed to go ahead and vote on #1. Kathy P stood at ballot box to ensure there weren't any problems.

Member let the board know that we can check with the insurance for the 501c3, that they may have consultants and training available through our insurance.

Kathy P read votes out loud

Rolf tallied the votes.

Total 103 YES 14 NO, no further votes. Resolution passes.

Motion to adjourn by Nick Hanna second nick Milette