

WHITE MOUNTAIN LAKE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION Harold Albertson\*Debi Bismarck\*Diane Martinez BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES COMMUNITY CENTER 1785 EDMONDS CIR, SHOW LOW, AZ 85901 April 12, 2022 - 6:30 pm

- I. Called to order:
- II. Roll Call: Harold Albertson, Diane Martinez, Debi Bismarck (telephonically)
- **III. Minutes:** Harold motioned to accept the March Minutes. Diane seconded. All in favor.
- IV. New Members: Before starting with reports, Harold welcomed new members Phyllis and Steven Schaeffer.
- V. Financial Report by the Treasurer: Diane motioned to accept the Financial Report. Harold seconded. All in favor.
- VI. Business:
  - a. Committee Reports Jessica noted that donations are paying for the Easter event. Sent out a second Community Events email, and reported all that is going on this month. Phyllis Schaeffer offered to provide assistance. Jessica pleased to accept anything, either for this year or next. Reminder here: be sure to provide your email address to Jessica if you want to know what is going on in WML.
  - **b. Respond to request** to change monthly meeting to the 2nd Tuesday of each month was overruled. Majority of responses want to continue with the usual meeting schedule. Meetings will continue to be held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. Membership will receive a calendar of meeting dates for the remainder of this year.
  - **c. TPT License** Most likely due to changes on the Board, the TPT License for the Association Store is canceled. Online reading indicates that even a non-profit must charge Sales Tax in Arizona. Delve into this more, or just go ahead and apply for a new license? The plan is to hold off until we can talk to someone who might know of an alternative option.
  - **d.** Annual Report to the AZ Corporation Commission is due before the end of June. Anyone interested in joining the Board at this time? It would help to have a full board before the Annual Report is due.
  - e. Cleaning and Pest Control Matthew Villareal will be doing the monthly cleaning. No one has volunteered as yet for pest control. Though, Debi Bismarck has said that she will glad to do it when she returns from a family situation in Florida.
  - **f. Past Issue of a Ramp at PO Entrance** When a request went out for comment all those submitted were a yes for the ramp. This included PO staff. Scott Hurst has volunteered to do the labor, if the Association will provide the materials. Someone will look into contacting Home Depot for a possible donation of materials.
  - **g.** Post Office Report New employee Ed Smith is doing quite well. He is diligent and obviously wants to do things as the USPS requires. Aria Villareal has tendered her resignation, effective April 20, 2022. Aria's reason is that she needs a bigger paycheck. Her new job will provide that. Though, depending on Aria's new work schedule, she may stay on with the PO as the on-call person.
- *II.* Adjournment Diane motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 pm. Harold seconded. All in favor. VII. Open Discussion -

Discussed email from Sandee McKinlay. She wants someone to arrange dates and times at Sandbaggers for WML area residents to meet 2022 candidates. It was determined that this is not something the Board would do, as we are non-political. Sandee will receive an email advising her that she, or someone, should contact Sandbaggers directly. Once dates and times are set up, Sandee will be asked to let Jessica know so that information may be put in an Events email.

Scott Hurst brought up his desire to have an Agenda item to discuss graffiti vs freedom of speech. Argued his stance that his request should be an Agenda Item - not an Open Discussion item. Graffiti definition is that it is a crime when done without an owner's permission. The offensive sign is on property where someone is a renter,

not the owner. Kelly suggested to Mr. Hurst that he himself should contact the homeowner, since he knows who they are. ACLU rules that F... Biden is considered Freedom of Speech. So, wouldn't it be up the homeowner to decide if he wants the renter to remove the offensive sign? Rules (per Harold) dictate what can be put on the Agenda vs what is Open Discussion. Mr. Hurst was argumentative. He went on as follows.

We have a seditionist in across the street from me. This is in view of Scott's kitchen window. Diane adds here the following example found online:

What is a sedition example?

For example, a person may commit sedition by **holding a meeting to discuss a rebellion or revolution in his home**. Treason, on the other hand, involves taking specific actions that betray one's country, such as by waging war, providing aid to an enemy, or committing espionage.

Mr. Hurst wants members of the community to offer up their opinions. Jessica brought up that Scott and she have discussed that not only Scott's neighbor, but others in the community have offensive signs on their properties. Jessica suggests that the County or the Sheriff is who should be contacted to see if they can do anything legally to have Scott's neighbor, and others, remove their signs.

Debi argued her position. Essentially the Board cannot be the backers of a demonstration (what Scott originally wanted) of any type. Mr. Hurst appears to want the Board to fight his fight. The Board is non-partisan and the offensive sign is political. Scott wants a certified letter to more formally inform him that he is off the WMLCA Board. He claims that there are federal funds being misused, which means that the PO will be closed.

Anything that can cause division is not the Boards' responsibility. Mr. Hurst wants this on the Agenda. Jessica suggests going to the Sheriff's Office Town Hall on Thursday, April 14th. She asks that Scott use that meeting for his concerns. What is a non-profit volunteer board to do about this. Also suggested talking to Charlie Fickel who knows how the original CCRs were established.

Phyllis Schaeffer brought up that someone came in during the night and hauled off her neighbor's travel trailer. This is what is a major problem - theft! Mrs. Schaeffer was told that two others in the community have had this same thing happen to them. Harold brought up that this subject is something that the Sheriff's office will discuss at the April 14th meeting. It is an important meeting which all residents are encouraged to attend.

Everyone wants to acknowledge all the work Lem and his crew did over the past few days to take care of the water situation.

Respectfully submitted,

*Diane Martinez* Secretary, White Mountain Community Association