

APPROVED

Tamarack Trails Community Services Association

MAINTENANCE, SAFETY AND SECURITY COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES (for review and approval)

September 12, 2023, 4:00PM Clubhouse

MC Members Present

Sharon Genthe (Chair), David Reed, Rosemary Stenback, Chris Harper, Julie McLaren, Charley Elson Not present: Eileen Kramer

Also Present

Stacey Haberman- Association Manager, Jayne Meyer, BOD Liaison, Janet Hirsch, Jean MacCubbin, Nancy Korda, Jim Waeffler, Stacey Campbell, Scott Butler, Paulette Harder

I. **Call to order at 4:00**

II. **Review minutes of August 2023** meeting. Moved by Chris, seconded by David. Approved

III. **Community Correspondence:**

Joyce Waldorf regarding rabbit damage and community remediation. She said she's an environmentalist by having flowers. Several suggestions were made by the committee and others to help the situation including planting rabbit resistant plants, liquid fence, blood meal and hiring pest control. She had small fences but wants Tamarack to take a more drastic approach such as a fence around the entire community, trapping or perhaps other drastic measures. Tamarack by-laws prohibit fencing around properties. Sharon said that several dead animals have been found and stressed that poisoning isn't the answer. Poisoning can kill innocent animals. It was asked how you can be both an environmentalist and want to get rid of rabbits. Stacey said we are not allowed per DNR to have staff trap rabbits. The issue remains unsolvable.

IV. **Manager's Report** – Stacey

A. We're hoping the pool makes it through the year. Temperatures are causing the pool to be closed. Phil, a new lifeguard, is helping out. Tamarack's pool is considered commercial, therefore, it is difficult to find a company to do work of our magnitude. One quote from Badger Pools for one type of pool is in and we're waiting for further information. Neuman has been contacted several times for a proposal but has not offered one as yet.

B. Stacey had been working on budgets. Maintenance has been presented to the committee and we will hear the final Finance Committee 2024 proposal October 10

C. No quote from Viktor's regarding the remaining \$20,000 for painting

D. David J. Frank has stepped up on the maintenance part of the swale.

E. Stacey is going to address the sparse grass situation with Angie between swale and path behind maintenance building.

V. **Relevant Board Action** – Jayne Meyer

A. Ice dam policy is cleared and complete

B. Board approved \$9,734 for deck replacement provided by 3rd Gen Painting and Remodeling

VI. **Old Business**

A. Still asking for commitment by someone for secretary of MC

VII. **New Business**

A. NGT free native pollinator plants have come in and are ready for planting by the pool entrance and Red Maple swale entrance. Signage is being made for the “educational” gardens. A fence to be put around the poolside flower bed was presented. It was questioned if it was approved by the ARB. It was not but was suggested.

B. No Blow project was proposed for this fall. It was successful last year. There will be better communication between residents, Greenscapes and residents. Residents are asked to be polite when speaking with Greenscapes workers and place lots of flags in visible places, so they know where not to blow. The motion by David: MC recommends that the BOD approve the 2023 Fall No Blow proposal. Second: Julie PASSED. Move on to BOD

C. Discussion and summary of No Mow May was presented by Paulette Harder. It was suggested that we have a hybrid of No Mow May and Low Mow May. A motion by Julie that some of the sites would continue as NMM sites. Others would be LMM sites, for those site organizers willing to coordinate removal and replacement of flags and signs for the mid-May mowing (or to do their own mowing). Second by David. PASSED. Move on the BOD

D. Pool Discussion. Members of the Maintenance Committee agree that it is our responsibility as the Maintenance Committee to review the data and pool proposals, organize community surveys and most importantly communicate only pool facts to our residents. We are up to the task of concluding only the best proposal to serve the majority our residents and make a recommendation to the Board. If we don't have the

facts, discourage rumors. We went around the table for preferences on what each member would like to see regarding the pool. Some suggestions:

*Privatize the pool with memberships for residents only. Cost to be borne by the membership. The membership would be transferrable to new owners.'

* It was asked how much capital goes toward the pool. We can get that data.

*The pool is a draw and asset for prospective new owners and current owners. Aesthetics can be improved i.e., fencing and grounds. Perhaps a pergola.

*A few want to see the size and deep end the same, but taking the diving board away is ok.

*Make the pool smaller which would mean more deck space and maybe eliminate the lifeguard.

Much more discussion to follow.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved and seconded that the meeting adjourn. Passed.

NEXT MC MEETING TUESDAY OCOBER 9th IN THE CLUBHOUSE, 4PM