

July *No Quorum* Minutes of the High Valley Country Club

Board of Trustees

July 20, 2013

I. Call to order

Vice President Just called to order the regular meeting of the **High Valley Country Club Board of Trustees** at **8:58 a.m.** on **July 20, 2013** in the **High Valley Clubhouse**.

II. Roll call

Trustees Present: David Cartwright, Bob Conklin, Ernie Enz, Toni Just, Dude Sinkey

Trustees Absent: Susan Duncan, Johnny Emtman, Jarl Peterson, Dennis Riebe

Employees Present: Koeta Imhof, Amanda Meekhof

Guests Present: Lori Graff, Helen Gilleland, Norman Gilleland, Theresa Johnson, Jan Anderson, Tom Miller, Connie Bergstrom-Donelson, Richard Pearsall, Bobbi Pearsall, Bonnie Marshall, Jane Jones, Bill Rice, Shirley Luther, Larry Wymore, Don Kreshak, Bob Lyon, Clare Acker, David Swanson, Mike Claus, Tim Miller, Lu Hilliard, Richard Gribick, Jeannie Fox, Jim Shook

Lack of a quorum declared

III. Approval of the Minutes:

The minutes from the June meeting will be approved at the August meeting, providing a quorum is present.

IV. Reports:

A. Financial: Imhof

The financials were passed out and questions answered. A copy will be posted in the Clubhouse for members to review.

B. Operations Report – read by Cartwright

- While searching for a probable leak in HV 8 & 11 it was discovered that a member had allowed a non-member to attach a garden hose to a hose bib and run water 24 hours a day and 7 days a week. The connection was terminated and the board will be discussing whether to send a letter or a bill to the lot owner.
- The donated plasma TV and Blu-Ray disc player are up and running in the Clubhouse.
- The new umbrella was mounted in the pool area.
- There is a question of whether or not we should have a back up pump for the pools. *The Board has requested to know the cost of a new pump.*

C. Water Report

The Water Report was not called for.

D. Golf Report – Conklin

- The greens have some bad spots and we suspect that they need a wetting agent to help them absorb water. We are in the process of getting a wetting agent.
- The benches for the golf course that members are purchasing and donating have all been spoken for, with some added interest.

E. Clubhouse – Cartwright

- We have sold over 40 bricks for the fundraiser and we are getting ready to place our first order. With the proceeds we hope to put in flooring and better lighting in the game room, and perhaps a Wii and some games/movies – is they aren't donated by members.

Guest Miller asks why the Clubhouse extension & fire escape were not voted on at the annual meeting as part of the budget.

Trustee Cartwright explained that the construction was in the budget but did not need a member vote as each phase was less than \$5,000. The projects were necessary to bring the building up to code and a rotting piece of timber from the former fire escape deck was shown.

F. Pool – No pool report

V. Guests Comments *Italics indicate clarification made by the Board.*

Jan Anderson – feels the pool is not being kept up – the shower heads in the women's restroom don't work and the top hinge of the gate is in disrepair causing the gate to stay open.

Lori Graff – Did not receive a ballot in the mail. *Imhof passed paper and pen so that members who did not receive their ballots could be made and ballots sent.*

Theresa Johnson – Asked when the ballots will be counted. *When a date is set it will be posted on the website calendar and on Facebook.*

Lori Graff – suggested using recycled building materials for future projects.

Larry Wymore – Clarified that voting is ran by the Vice – President and asked if he can see the ballots. *No, only the tellers.* Volunteered to be an alternate viewer during the ballot counting. *Viewers must be Board members.*

Richard Pearsall – Asked if the numbers will be publicized after the ballots are counted since they aren't when electing board members. *Yes, they will be for the ballot issues, but aren't for elections.*

Larry Wymore – questions how Board vacancies are filled as it is his understanding that it is the person from the last election with the most votes. *Trustee Cartwright read Section 7 of the bylaws which states that vacancies are filled by the remaining members of the Board.*

Tim Miller – read the pool information and looked at the pool area and doesn't understand why we need a new fence.

Jeannie Fox – it would be cheaper to replace the bent posts/gate rather than spend \$20,000 for a new fence. *The Board isn't sure where the \$20,000 came from for a new fence.*

Toni Just (stepping out of role as board member) – is angry and does not feel the pool needs a major overhaul.

Lori Graff – Owns 2 lots and feels that the dues are too high and doesn't use the facilities very often.

David Swanson – Not using the facilities is a choice.

Jeannie Fox – Would like to see the Board site specific codes when stating that we are not up to code. This would make the Board more transparent.

Theresa Johnson – Has been a member for 5 years and feels like the ballot was asking for too much at one time. Also, has heard a rumor about a beer garden being part of the pool area? *No plans for a beer garden – that must be a rumor.* Agrees that an attendant should be on duty during hours of operation and feels that it is unfortunate that the pool is closed on Wednesdays.

David Swanson – Feels that the Board is doing the best that they can. We all have wants but we have to pay for them. Costs go up no matter what.

Jeannie Fox – Why not close the Clubhouse on Wednesdays? *Trustee Cartwright will look into the feasibility of closing on Wednesdays.*

Lori Graff – suggests charging members \$1 to golf and swim to help with revenue.

Tom Miller – Questions why there isn't just one budget instead of several areas. *Imhof isn't sure – it was set up that way when she became the bookkeeper.*

Trustee Enz – Clarified that we need to have reserves per government regulations.

Jane Jones – Shared that she was injured at the pool uncovering the pool for aerobics. She would like to be reimbursed her out of pocket expenses.

David Swanson – Feels that the pool being closed on Wednesdays is ridiculous. He supports the idea of only having a pool attendant during peak busy times.

Jeannie Fox – Suggests selling hotdogs in the Clubhouse.

Bonnie Marshall – Disagrees with the ad in the Highway Shopper place by a Board member urging people to vote no on the special assessment. She doesn't like the idea of a dues increase, but feels we must maintain what we have. Also, shared a photo of a trailer in HV 10 that she feels is unsafe.

Richard Pearsall – Feels there is more emphasis put on golf rather than the pools.

Toni Just – Doesn't mind paying higher dues but the large leap will be difficult to absorb.

Jim Shook – would like to see all the bids for the proposed work.

Larry Wymore – Will not play into the CC&Rs until a judge says they are in effect.

Jan Anderson – Has an issue with the neighbors feeding the raccoons and she cannot enjoy her yard. *It was recommended that she call the WA Department of Game & Fish.*

Theresa Johnson – Feels that the ballot asking for both a dues increase and the special assessment is a double whammie.

David Swanson – Feels that HVCC needs to generate more money than it spends. Guarantees the other guests that the Board is there for the best interest of the membership.

Richard Gribick – Feels that the information on the website is one sided.

Richard Pearsall – Feels that there is a man power issue – he sees the HV van drive by his house in HV 4 several times a day. *Trustee Enz will look into why the van is in HV 4 so often.*

Jim Shook – has been looking into refiguring the water system and investigating grants and loans to help meet upcoming requirements. *Trustee Enz will meet with and discuss.*

Tim Miller – commends the Board for the work they are doing. Asks what is Rick's job title: *Operations Manager* Who over sees him: *The Board* Suggest checking his time and what he is doing. He seems to spend a lot of time upstairs rather than helping Keith and Randi.

VI. Adjournment

Vice-President Just adjourned the meeting at 10:41 a.m.