

MARCH 12, 2025
FOUNDERS HALL
MINUTES OF MARCH 2025 Board of Directors Meeting

At 9:00 am, President Don Wold opened the meeting, calling for the Pledge of Allegiance.

The roll was called. Don Wold, Tom Adler, Laurie Milliard, Lisa Geary, Kathy Canning, Jill Parnell, and Jeff Lamphere were present.

Laurie Milliard read the minutes of the February 12, 2025 Board meeting. Tom Adler moved and Lisa Geary seconded the motion to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report. Lisa Geary gave the following Treasurer's Report. Cash & Equivalents as of 3/10/25: total in Crews Bank is \$242,173; total in BMO is \$37,347; total in First Internet Bank is \$186,168; total in Suncoast Credit Union is \$251,265. Total Cash and Equivalents is \$716,953. Total funds in Fun & Sun are \$14,409. Total in the Reserves accounts is \$377,625. Total Cash and Equivalents, excluding Fun & Sun and Reserves, is \$324,919.

Old Business

Pool Shade Update. Don Wold reported that some additional things are happening with that, with the wind the other day causing some issues, so more information will be forthcoming in the next few weeks.

A-23 Compliance Update. Don Wold reported that the lot was cleaned and one RV moved off. We are waiting for the remaining RV to be tied down. This will be accomplished before the hurricane season.

Showers. Tom Ader thought that non-stick strips have been installed in one of the women's showers. The other women's shower and the men's showers will be installed by the Building committee once George is back in the park.

Lot S-08. The attempts to remove the oil stains left by a renter last summer on the driveway and patio of this lot have been unsuccessful to date. There are two surfaces, a concrete section and a tiny stones section (subsequently identified as terrazzo). We are pursuing options and will meet with the leaseholder to resolve. Suggestions from members are welcome.

Summer rental lots. Kathy Canning reported that the form about lots in the rental pool in season has been amended to include asking about summer rentals. The form has been sent out and Trinity reports that she already has some members who have signed up to allow renters on their site during the summer, understanding that members do not accrue any credit towards maintenance fees for rentals off-season.

A question was asked about how to prevent future problems with renters damaging lots. Lisa Geary suggested taking pictures before the rental started and then at the end of their rental. It was suggested requiring a signature to accept financial responsibility if damage occurs. No action was taken at this time.

Stolwitz donation. A discussion began about using these funds to install sewers in the PL East lots, which would make these lots more valuable to renters and we could ensure that these lots are full in season. Ron Wszalek spoke on behalf of Ed Landry who was unable to attend this meeting. The previous board had asked Ed Landry to look into Florida Rural Water helping us with the plans. The engineer Ed spoke with at Florida Rural Water said that it is possible to install the sewers without having to install a lift station. The preliminary drawing was presented. Laurie Milliard moved to pursue the plan to install sewers for the PL East lots. Tom Adler seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Park Attendants. Sue DeCiero reported that one of the winter part attendant couples have signed the contract. The board will meet after this meeting about hiring the second winter park attendant. The summer park attendant will start work on April 1st since our fill-in winter park attendants are leaving then.

NEW BUSINESS

Reservation system. We are still working with CAMP SPOT on the installation and training. This should be ready by May.

2025 Directory. There was considerable discussion and possible solutions offered. Ellen Bates volunteered to work on the project over the summer. Format, access to the database, and computer application were all discussed. No final plan was arrived at, but the directory will have to wait until November for publication.

Escapees/Harvest Hosts. There was considerable discussion about the questions and problems with contacting Escapees under the new ownership by Harvest Hosts. Escapees has communicated that they are working on the problems, such as membership renewals, verification of Escapee membership status, and confusion about the status of Escapees within Harvest Hosts. The Board recommended that we take a wait and see approach to see if the problems are solved as promised, but to keep an eye on the issue.

Issues introduced from the floor.

Request from Norm Milliard, Sr. re permission to ask Florida Rural Water to Evaluate a piece of land. Norm Milliard, Sr. reintroduced his request that the Land Group use the Resort's membership in Florida Rural Water to evaluate a piece of land to determine if there are any restrictions on the land. There was spirited discussion from the Board and members. Laurie Milliard moved to table the discussion to a later date. Tom Adler seconded the motion. The motion passed with 5 for and 2 against.

Cardboard. Marsha Hodgkins noted that our garbage bins are overflowing with cardboard, even if the boxes are flattened. She suggested collecting the cardboard and having someone take it to the landfill periodically. There would be no charge. Jane Lewis said that she had previously investigated recycling cardboard. There would be no charge and no compensation, but there are restrictions on what kind of cardboard can be included and the whole load could be refused if there were any pieces of non-corrugated cardboard or dirty cardboard. No action was taken.

Percolation ponds. Dave Staniszewski from the Planning Committee asked about our two retention ponds for the sewer plant. There is currently about a foot of compacted soil at the bottom of these ponds, so they are not operating as percolation ponds as originally designed, but are in effect evaporation ponds. Bud Hodgkins said that Pugh looked at our ponds a year or two ago and said they are working as they are supposed to. Other members said that we should get an engineer or Florida Rural Water to investigate this matter. No action was taken.

Thank you. Tom Adler thanked the 12 volunteers for the excellent work in installing the new cabinets in the clubhouse. The work took about one and a half weeks for painting and installing. The cabinets look great and add much needed storage space in the clubhouse.

April Board meeting. Don Wold announced that we are moving the April board meeting to **April 16, 2025** since many members will be out of the park on a cruise on the previously scheduled meeting date of April 9.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 AM.

Respectfully submitted,
Laurie Milliard
Board Secretary