## THE MOORINGS AT LEWES RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION General Meeting Minutes Monday, November 16, 2020; 3:30 PM on ZOOM

**WELCOME:** President Jim McMullen welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**CALL TO ORDER**: President Jim McMullen called the meeting to order. There were 40 members present. A moment of silence was observed.

**OPENING REMARKS**: Lauri Weeks opened the meeting with a clarification of the letter we all received from David Woodward from Springpoint which stated that we would have to be quarantined for 14 days if we chose to go outside the campus to relatives' homes for Thanksgiving. She said we do not have to stay in our apartments or cottages but may not participate in any activities on campus or be in the main areas of the campus for the 14 days. There were objections stated to this news.

Jim McMullen thanked everyone for staying home and ZOOMING in to the meeting. He went over the Agenda for the meeting for the new residents present. He announced that Richard Thomas was appointed as Chair of the Woodworking Committee at the Board Meeting on November 9<sup>th</sup>.

Jim McMullen reported on his meeting with Chuck Palmer, Support Services Director:

- 1. Porches are awaiting the aluminum contractor.
- 2. Additional security cameras are being installed in the apartment hallways.
- 3. Requested the walkway lights at the flagpole circle be replaced with down-pointing lights.
- 4. Preexisting landscaping will be maintained by Chuck to include pruning and mulching front, back, and sides. New residents will have front only maintained. This work is delayed for lack of manpower.
- 5. The Building and Property Committee is on hold, but it will resume at a later date. If you wish to be on this Committee, please let Jim know.

**MINUTES**: Kathy Holstrom reported that the minutes of the October 12, 2020 Board of Directors' Meeting and October 19, 2020 General Meeting were posted in the Mail Room, the Library, and on the website. If there are any additions or corrections needed please put them in writing and place them in Kathy's cubby 135 and she will add them. Otherwise, the minutes will be filed.

**CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT:** Marianne Jarvis reported that she sent 12 cards. Please let her know of anyone who needs one, even residents who are not necessarily sick but those who are upset over life's circumstances.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Tom Reed reported that as of October 30, 2020 the account balance was \$18,756 less the Employee Appreciation Fund of \$4,318, leaving an operating balance of \$14.700. Income for October was \$352 and expenses were \$20. The surplus was \$332. The operating balance as of October 30, 2020 was \$14,700. The Employee Appreciation Fund was \$52,000, leaving an account balance of \$66,833.

**ASSISTANT TREASURER'S REPORT:** It was reported that \$52,000 has been donated to the Employee Appreciation Fund. This is close to what was donated last year.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

<u>Activities</u>: Carol Bishop reported that we have been enjoying the Mid Atlantic Symphony for several months. The next program will be their Christmas Program entitled "Holiday Joy" and will again come to us by virtual

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screening on December 3. It will be shown often during the week following the 3<sup>rd</sup>. You will be kept informed of the exact dates for viewing. Remember to make a reservation to attend a screening.

Another exciting program is "The Capital Ringers." They are having a learning session as they record their Christmas program entitled "The Tidings of Comfort and Joy." This year's program will be a mix of ten songs and runs for 80 minutes. The program will include old favorites such as "Wizards in Winter" and "Winter Wonderland," and the goose-bump-inducing new arrangements such as "Love Came Down at Christmas" and "Lo How A Rose E're Blooming."

Remember to look for your invitation and make your reservation early.

Bylaws: Jane Lord reported that no issues have come before the Committee.

<u>Communication</u>: Tom Reed thanked residents for the articles that were submitted to the Newsletter. It should be out before Thanksgiving. Sharon Hoover asked that all articles be given to her by February  $1^{st}$  for the next Newsletter

Tom requested that all Committee chairs give him an updated list of committee members including telephone numbers and e-mails.

<u>Dining:</u> Kathy Holstrom for Corinne Lehman reported that the dining department is busy working on the Thanksgiving Dinner and preparing for Christmas and the New Year.

<u>Employee Appreciation:</u> Carol Lader reported that the 2020 Campaign began October 1<sup>st</sup> and was described in a letter to all residents. If you have already made your donation, thank you. If not, please do so since the Campaign ends November 21<sup>st.</sup> Please make your check payable to TMALRA, put it in an envelope, and place it in the collection box in the mailroom.

Distribution of the employees' checks will be on December 4, 2020 from 1 to 5 pm in the Bistro. Please join us as we celebrate our employees.

Carol Bishop suggested that someone play Christmas Carols on the piano during the distribution of the checks.

<u>Gift Shop:</u> Gil Kaufman reported that the Gift Shop reopened on October1, 2020, after having been closed since March 10, 2020. The entire group of sales volunteer did a great job of starting us off well and Diane Bair was especially helpful in getting things organized and looking good.

The total income for October was \$352 against only \$9 inventory costs, so for the month \$343 net income went into the TMALRA Treasury. Prior to reopening, early net income for the year had been \$1,176, so the total net income to date for 2020 is \$1,519. This is well below the budget set prior to the pandemic but, considering what happened, I think we are doing well.

He also noted with thanks our receipt of an \$83 cash donation from Bill Dunn, the receipts from his sales of his painted rock creations. That is very much appreciated as was a \$17.50 cash donation from an unnamed source.

Because of the recent increase in staff positive virus tests, the Gift Shop was again closed temporarily but opened up again on November 10.

<u>Library:</u> Judy Burgess reported that the Library has not received any large-print books and the need is still great. Mildred Wiedmann has been able to find a few in thrift shops in the area and has ordered more.

The bee hive is gone and Dean Hoover has been asked to build a small table for that space which will be a "Please Help Yourself" table. On it will be books and magazines that are no longer needed such as magazines three months old, duplicates of books on the shelves, and not-too-tatty paper backs. Several people have said they think this is a good idea instead of disposing of magazines in recycling bins and taking bags and bags of books in good condition to thrift shops.

**Nominating:** Gil Kaufman reported that the TMALRA Bylaws call for the election of about half of the officers of the organization on alternate years. For this coming term, the offices needing to be filled include the President, Vice President, Secretary, and three Area Representatives.

The Nominating Committee has completed its charge of choosing nominees for each of these offices as follows:

President: Renominate: Jim McMullen

Vice President: Don Smith

Secretary: Renominate Kathy Holstrom

East Wing First Floor Area Representative: Renominate Bunny Guerrin West Wing First Floor Area Representative: Renominate Nancy Krail

Cottage Area Representative: Sherry Chappelle Assisted Living Area Representative: remains vacant

The election for these offices will be held during the next TMALRA Meeting on December 14, 2020 at which time there will be an opportunity for nominations from the floor. Anyone nominated from the floor must have previously consented to serve if elected.

<u>Program:</u> Rich Woolley reported that the Mission of the Program Committee is to provide educational, informational, and entertaining programs and Friday night movies to the community.

Programs are held the third Tuesday of the month at 7 pm in the auditorium. Movies are normally held every Friday at 7 pm in the auditorium.

The Committee will not be meeting during the pandemic and, therefore, it will have nothing to report.

<u>Wellness:</u> Sharon Hoover reported that a Wellness Group has been formed and will meet soon. Let her know if you want to be a part of this. If you need to dispose of old medicines, you can take them to Nurse Sandy in the Wellness Center.

<u>Woodshop</u>: Richard Thomas reported that a library table is being made, a sewing table was made for a resident, and wooden bowls and plates are being made for family members. A new belt was purchased for the planer. The Shop is available to all residents who might need to have repairs made to furniture or other household items.

## AREA REPORTS:

West Wing, 1<sup>st</sup> floor – Nancy Krail reported that Irma Kline has moved into Apartment 111; no vacancies

West Wing, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor – No report

East Wing, 1st Floor – Bunny Guerrin reported no change; no vacancies

East Wing, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor – Diane Bair reported no change; one vacancy

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Cottages – Elsie Gould reported that Holly Fritts has moved into Cottage 5; six vacancies Assisted Living – Gil Kaufman reported that the current census in AL is 40 including 13 in Safe Harbor for a 93% occupancy.

Skilled Nursing (SNF) - The most recent move into AL is Patty Canby and Bob Hastings and Barbara Carl have died. Two AL residents and nine SNF residents have tested positive for Covid 19 so visits over there are not advised.

**OPEN FORUM:** Rebecca Rogers reported that several residents are making masks to be shipped to homeless shelters and clinics, etc. Hats and gloves are also needed.

Rich Woolley reported that our resident deer visited him and his cats the other day. Others are grooming the bushes around the campus.

It has been noticed that there are key pads with numbers on them near some of the external entrances to the building. What are they?

Lauri Weeks said she will be handling the Mitten Tree which was in the living room last year. Scarves, hats, and mittens are needed. They are taken to the high school and given to needy persons.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None.

ADJOURMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:20 pm

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Holstrom, Secretary