

THE MOORINGS AT LEWES RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION  
Board of Directors' Meeting Minutes  
Monday, May 8, 2023; 3:30 PM in the Auditorium

**WELCOME:** President Don Smith welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**CALL TO ORDER:** President Smith called the meeting to order. All Directors were present except Sherry Chappelle and Tom Reed. A moment of silence was observed.

**OPENING REMARKS:** President Smith announced that in Tom Reed's absence he had communicated via email and phone with David Woodward at corporate about our dissatisfaction with Morrison. It was emphasized that, while nothing may happen immediately, at least the senior management at corporate is aware of what we are experiencing.

He advised that the ending balance of the Springpoint Foundation Endowment held for The Moorings is \$617,653.09.

He advised that during the New Business portion of the meeting the Program Committee Chair position will be discussed.

All the committee chairs were asked to check the accuracy of their committees on the TMALRA website. Any changes needed should be sent to Bill Littell.

All reports for Kathy are to be given to her at the beginning of the meeting, not during it.

**MINUTES:** Kathy Holstrom reported that the minutes of the April Board of Directors' Meeting and 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 they will be filed.

**CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT:** Carol Lader reported that she sent 9 cards this month. Please let her know of anyone who needs a card even just for cheering someone up. She thanked the Floor Reps and others for giving her names.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Larry Myers for Tom Reed reported that the income for April was \$356 and expenses were \$396 leaving a deficit of (\$40). As of April 30, 2023 the account balance was \$32,564 less the Employee Appreciation Fund of \$3,043, leaving an operating balance of \$29,521.

**ASSISTANT TREASURER'S REPORT:** No report

**COMMITTEE REPORTS::**

**Activities:** Carol Bishop reported that the Committee met on May 8<sup>th</sup> and the upcoming events are as follows:

August will include a Ladies' Lunch at Iron Hill Brewery

August's Lunch Out For All will be at Abbots in Laurel

August's Dinner Out will be at Ben Venito in Milford

There will be a Men's Lunch, an outdoor Fine Arts Show, and a possible Sunset Cruise during August

Clear Space will have 3 Summer Stock Shows, “Jesus Christ Super Star”, “Kinky Boots,” and “Sponge Bob” one play each month beginning in June

Stango Park concerts will be every Tuesday beginning in June

The Beach Bus will go regularly every Tuesday and Thursday morning to Lewes Beach beginning in June

The Cadbury Cruisers in June will go on a tour of the Biologic Gardens

The Cadbury Cruisers will go in July to the Brandywine Museum Home of Andrew Wyeth

**Bylaws:** No report

**Communication:** No report.

**Dining:** Bob Porta reported that the Committee met on May 4th.

Pam distributed a document outlining the procedures she follows in creating the various formats of each week’s menus.

New menus will be looked at by the Committee and amended, if needed.

**Employee Appreciation:** No report

**Gift Shop:** Diane Bair reported that the income for April was:

Income:	\$219.25 (Cash)
	\$148.50 (Bingo)
	<u>\$246.00</u> (Charges)
Total	\$613.75
Expenses:	<u>\$ 63.59</u>
Total Profit	\$550.16

Again, many more thanks to our donators! Many donations—many sales. Some items are sold as soon as they are displayed and presently we have a nice “new” supply of items ready to appear on the shelves. Please continue to keep our shop in mind when doing a little downsizing.

**LIBRARY:** Judy Burgess reported that the large print books are now located on shelves that receive more light—a big improvement. Mildred Wiedmann and Judy went to the Lewes Library recently and purchased twelve new (to us) large print books. Each of these only cost \$3.00. We tried to find ones that had familiar authors such as Jackie Collins, David Baldacci, and Fern Michaels. We hope you have found the new shelves and some books to your liking.

Many of you donate books to our library. What do we do with the overload? When we receive donations that are duplicates, we pass them on to Assisted Living. Then we slip the more worn copies to a bottom shelf and keep the newer ones for ourselves. The ‘Give Away Table’ has become very popular. Residents, staff, and visitors take away thirty or more books a month. We also donate books to the Lewes Library which puts them on their sales table to make extra money. They always thank us for our donations.

Sherry Chappelle has again agreed to gather submissions you have written, this time about your summer reads. These are little pieces about the books you have enjoyed this summer and that you think others might enjoy. Your name, the book’s title, the book’s author, and a short bit about the book

is all she needs. These will be published in our Newsletter which we will get in mid-August. Send your notes to Sherry at Cottage 45 or Email by August 1<sup>st</sup>, please.

Our next Library Committee meeting will be on June 29, 2023 at 4 pm.

**Nominating:** No report.

**Program:** Adele Trout reported that the movies have been put on the Website.

The Programs are as follows:

May 16 – Camp Rehoboth Ensemble – 7 pm in the auditorium

June 14 – Cadbury Chorus Summer Concert – 7 pm

There will be no Committee meetings in June or July

**Wellness:** Gail Bourassa reported that the Committee met on May 1, 2023 with ten members present.

The issue of water quality was discussed. The water here is not fluoridated and does not contain any appreciable amount of lead. If your water has a taste it does not affect its quality. Any filter on the market may be used.

The CDC has approved another Covid 19 booster for all over the age of 65. You do not need a physician's order to receive it.

There was a discussion about the Advance Directive. Beebe Hospital will keep an electronic copy of your advance directive if you gave them one at your admission.

The Five Wishes are legally acceptable in every state except Kansas, Ohio, Texas, and New Hampshire.

The following questions have been asked and will be researched:

What is the difference between palliative care and hospice and who decides which is best for a prospective patient?

What is the procedure for having a resident admitted to hospice?

What is the procedure for having a resident re-admitted to Safe Harbor from the hospital when the usual staff responsible for this procedure is not available?

When a resident is on hospice, which physician is responsible for his/her care—the resident's own or the hospice?

The next Wellness Committee meeting will be September 4, 2023.

**Wood Shop:** Richard Thomas reported that Bill Littell has been added to the Committee.

**Area Reports:**

West Wing, 1<sup>st</sup> floor - Peg Partlow reported no change; no vacancies

West Wing, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor - Linda T reported that Theresa Montgomery will be moving into Apartment 210 and Marjorie Mounts will be moving into Apartment 205; no vacancies

East Wing, 1st floor – Bunny Guerrin reported that Mary Shea has moved into Apartment 132; no vacancies

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

Cottages, Mildred Wiedmann - reported no change; one vacancy

Cottages, Sherry Chappelle – no report

Health Center – Gil Kaufman reported that the census is as follows

Assisted Living 29/30 – 97% up from last month

Safe Harbor 10/13 – 77% up from last month

Skilled Nursing 31/40 – 77% decrease of four

**Special Reports:**

**BUILDING AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE REPORT:** No report

**RESIDENT LIFE COMMITTEE REPORT:** No report

**FINANCIAL WORKING GROUP REPORT:** Jim McMullen reported that the Group met with Garrett Midgett and Annette Moore on April 27, 2023. Annette covered census, operating revenue, and departmental expenses. Operating margin for the quarter was 6.38% vs. 5.63% budget.

IL revenue was slightly above budget while revenue for the other areas was below budget. Variances are mainly driven by census. Annette and the Directors successfully kept expenses below budget to achieve the margin. The balance sheet is strong; our surplus is \$430K.

Cash flow is down \$478K from December after our annual mortgage payment of \$701K.

**TRUSTEES REPORT:** No report

**DEI COMMITTEE REPORT:** No report

**SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT:** No report

**OPEN FORUM:** None

**OLD BUSINESS:** There were questions discussed regarding the Resident Reserve Fund and what steps need to be taken to take advantage if it. Details will be forthcoming. There is currently \$617,553.09 in the Fund.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Adele Trout announced her resignation as Chair of the Program Committee as of June 30, 2023. It was moved and seconded that Franz Portmann be appointed as Chair of the Program Committee as of July 1, 2023. The motion was passed unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Holstrom, Secretary