

THE MOORINGS AT LEWES RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION
General Meeting Minutes
Monday, May 15, 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. There were 60 residents present. A moment of silence was observed. Copies of the most recent list of the TMALRA Board of Directors were available to be picked up.

OPENING REMARKS: President Smith announced that Tom Reed has 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 all Committee information is on the TMALRA Website under the organization tab.

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: Kathy reported for Carol Lader 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 8th and the new calendar has a color change. All activities in yellow require you to sign up in advance and light green/gray are special events in advance.

The upcoming events are as follows:

May 16 – Farmers' Market in Rehoboth

May 20 – The start of outdoor Shuffleboard

May 23 – Men's Lunch at Big Oyster and Dinner Out for All at the Cultured Pearl outside on the rooftop under awnings

May 24 – Recorder Concert at 3 PM in the auditorium

June 2 – The Beach Bus will run to Lewes every Tuesday and Thursday from 10:30 to 12:30

June 6 The start of the Stango Park Summer Concerts; sign up and bring a folding chair

Also in June Lunch for All at Tequila Real in Milton

June 11 - New adventure to Possum Point Players in Georgetown to see "Social Security"

Ladies' Lunch is at Rosenfeld's

June 14 – Cadbury Chorus Summer Concert at 7 pm

June 20 – Mens' Lunch at Ocean Grill

June 22 – Trip to the Botanic Gardens and Lunch at Porto's Pizza

June 29 – Dinner Out at Fish On in Lewes on the patio

August will include a Ladies' Lunch at Iron Hill Brewery

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

August's Dinner Out will be at Benvenuto in Milford

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

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 on June 28, we will go on Wednesday evenings only

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.

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

There was a lot of discussion regarding the new menus and the recent food served here. It was suggested that all comments and suggestions be directed to Bob Porta to be taken to Pam.

Employee Appreciation: No report

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

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| 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 1st, 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: Don Smith for 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 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, 1st floor - Peg Partlow reported no change; no vacancies

West Wing, 2nd 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 - Mary Shea has moved into Apartment 132; no vacancies

East Wing, 2nd floor - Diane Bair - no report

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. Mortgage balance is \$15 million with maturity in 2036.

TRUSTEES REPORT: Tom Reed said the next meeting will address updates on the Strategic Plan and expansion.

DEI COMMITTEE REPORT: Jane Lord reported that resident representatives from various Springpoint communities will meet with VP Maureen Cafferty on May 24 via zoom. If you have any concerns, questions, suggestions, or comments that you would like her to share please let her know. Give her a call or put a message in her cubby #43.

SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT: No report

OPEN FORUM: None

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Volunteers are needed to water the plants here at The Moorings

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

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Holstrom, Secretary