

Tri-Par Estates Park and Recreation District Minutes
Board of Trustees – BOARD WORKSHOP
NOVEMBER 19, 2024

TIME:.....10:00 a.m.
CALL TO ORDER:..... Chairman Wright
ROLL CALL:.....Rebekah Thomas
PRESENT: In Attendance.....Denise Hunter, Jacquelyne Hunter, Gary Kormann, Maureen Lafortune,
Laurie Legler, Mike Neff, Dan Via, Daryle von Holdt
ABSENT.....
ALSO PRESENT:Bob Cady, Park Manager

OPENING COMMENTS – Chairman Wright opened the Workshop.

Discussion:

Trustee Legler advised that a quote for a FOB for the putt-putt equipment that was to be presented to the Flea Market will be tabled to next year at the January Board Meeting.

Discussions regarding the fountain will also be tabled until next year at the January Board Meeting.

Chairman Wright said he had several questions regarding tax credits if your house is going to be removed. On January 3, the Tax Appraiser will be here at Tri-Par to assess homes.

Reminder: According to the Deed Restrictions, you need a Tri-Par permit to complete any exterior work on your property, and depending on the work, you may also be required to have a Sarasota County permit. The County has been fining people up to \$2,500 for completing work without the proper permits.

Carports: There may need to be changes made to the Deed Restrictions regarding carports; however, any changes made to the Deed Restrictions will need a vote of the community.

Trustee Reports:

Trustee Neff – The microphones are being kept under lock and key, and this seems to be working well. Remember, if your group would like to use the microphone, we can make it available to you.

Trustee J. Hunter – Due to the hurricane damage to homes, many people are donating books to the Library. Remember, we cannot take hardcover books. Also, please try to call ahead if you have a lot of books to donate so that we can be prepared.

Trustee Kormann – Reminder: Carports need to be free-standing now, not connected to the house. Contractors are responsible for getting permits for you; you need to use licensed contractors.

Trustee Lafortune – I would like to recognize Richard Hunter for all the work he’s done.

Trustee Legler – 1) There is a letter from Sarasota County’s Planning & Development Services regarding expedited permits and waived fees that is available in the office and will be posted on the website. 2) Remember that political signs need to be removed 21 days after an election which would be November 26. 3) Extra supplies, including clothes, will be donated to Goodwill.

Trustee vonHoldt – After surveilling the Park, we have a list of 20 homes that have damage and it looks as if nothing has been done yet. The Park Manager will contact the owners to ensure they are aware of the damage.

Trustee D. Hunter – Reminder: The Health Fair will be held on January 24 at 10:00 a.m. in the Clubhouse. There will be even more vendors than last time.

Trustee Via – There was fence damage to the storage lot. We are putting in a claim with the insurance and hope to get it repaired soon.

NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Denise Hunter would like to start a Disaster Emergency Committee for Tri-Par. Anyone who would like to volunteer to be on this committee, please contact Denise.

PUBLIC INPUT – (Any Topic)

Resident on Blind Brook said that the canal has been neglected by the County for years. There are currently weeds that are 8 feet high. Last year, they mowed the north side and piled it up on the banks which slid back in. This isn't good for flooding. He requested we lean on the County a little harder to clean up the canal. He also agrees that the carport restrictions need to be updated. Trustee vonHoldt mentioned that there are carports now that can withstand Category 3 hurricanes.

Resident on Rancho advised everyone to file a report if you had damage – it could affect your taxes. Also, there are carports that are rated at 157 mph.

Resident on Palm Springs noticed that the lights on the Tri-Par sign at the entrance are not working. Park Manager informed him that we don't own that property. Bob is in contact with the new owners to fix it.

Resident on Pebble Beach remarked that he is concerned about building code violations and wants the park to look nice and wants to know what the timeframe will be to enforce structural issues.

Resident on Pebble Beach asked for a copy of the Bylaws, the Policies and Procedures and Deed Restrictions. The Policies and Procedures and the Deed Restrictions are on the website. The Bylaws are available upon request. She also wanted to know if wood carports are allowed. Chairman Wright responded that there is no restriction on wood carports.

Resident on Burning Tree mentioned that her roof company told her that she didn't need a permit. When she called to verify, she was told "If you are in a mobile home and just replacing the roof, you don't need a permit." She also asked about the people working in the Putt-Putt Course. Trustee Via said that HT Lawn Care was hired to dig out and put in shells on the course. This was voted on in September. After the work is completed, Trustee Legler will put out the new figurines.

Resident on Palm Springs mentioned that he is a contractor and that permitting is different from state to state; check with Sarasota County for details on permitting. Five weeks after a hurricane isn't that long to get work started. Trustee vonHoldt mentioned that he wanted to clarify that he didn't expect work to be done on damaged homes in five weeks. We're giving everyone six months.

Resident on Tri-Par 1) Asked the Board to expand the agenda so the public can understand what they're voting on. Trustee Legler explained that the discussions are held the prior month before any voting occurs. 2) Do not underestimate the County's awareness of your home; they have detailed information. 3) Damage will affect appraisal for next year and you can get a refund for the taxes already paid; he advises getting a tax advisor.

Trustee Kormann said the Park looks so much better now that the County picked up the debris. He praised the truck company that did the work. They did an amazing job and even got out of the truck and raked up debris. Another dumpster has been ordered, but remember, it is only for the stuff that is already there so that it will be emptied. Do NOT bring anything else to the dumpster.

Resident on Palm Springs – Thank you to all volunteers who service our community.

Resident on Glen Echo – Will there be a special pickup/cleanup for the houses that haven't taken care of their damaged homes?

Resident on Woodstock – Are enclosed carports (garages) allowed? Chairman Wright answered that it would be discussed when looking at revising the Deed Restrictions. Trustee Legler suggested that a Special Meeting might be required for that discussion.

ADJOURN THE BOARD WORKSHOP

- **Trustee Kormann made a motion to Adjourn the Board Workshop.**
- **Trustee vonHoldt seconded the motion.**
- The motion carried on a unanimous roll call vote.
- The Board Workshop adjourned at 11:29 a.m.