

RIVER CLUB OF MARTIN COUNTY, INC.
6/8/2022 BOARD MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Calling of the Roll: John Mears, President; Kelly Schulz, Director, Larry Hanlon, Director; Karen Vertesch, Secretary; Thomas Edwards, Treasurer; and Loretta Gill, Director at Large & Jon Korda/Asst. Secretary on Zoom.

Proof of Notice of Meeting: Karen Vertesch, Secretary, stated the notice was posted on 5/20/2022 followed by an email distribution.

Reading/Disposal of the Minutes of 6/5/2022: Kelly Schulz made a motion to approve the minutes as written; seconded by Larry Hanlon. All in favor, motion carried.

Officer Reports:

Thomas Edwards, Treasurer, reported \$984,000 in Cash & Other Assets, with Reserves at \$853,000; the River portion of the Shoreline Reserve is \$22,400 and the Creek portion is \$55,500. There is a gain of \$25,300; General Liability Insurance is under budget by \$18,000; Administration is under budget by \$10,000; Utilities are under budget by \$4,700; Building & Equipment are under budget by \$7,000 and only \$2,000 spent for Concrete Restoration to date.

Karen Vertesch made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report as given; seconded by Kelly Schulz. All in favor, motion carried.

John Mears, President, stated the Board was served with a Recall on Sunday, June 5th.; anything that the Board approves at this meeting is for the record and can be reversed by the next Board.

Old Business:

- a) R&R's - Rule # XV-5 Pool Hours: John Mears stated per our permit, the pool is not lit properly for night time use and in violation.

John Mears made a motion to change the Rule from sunrise to 10 p.m. to Dusk to Dawn; seconded by Karen Vertesch. All in favor. motion carried.

#12-205 Bonnie Kocur asked if there was: 1) a vote for a cover for the Red Dumpster? Response: A door had been discussed, but nothing had been approved.

2) Is there a report from the Board on what has been approved for the Landscape Committee? Response: The Board has the ultimate authority, but has delegated a lot to the Landscape Committee.

New Business:

- a) Resignation of Thomas Edwards: The Board accepted the resignation of Thomas Edwards on 6/5/2022..**
- b) Treasurer/Officer: Thomas Edwards was appointed as Treasurer, an Officer of the Association, by the Board on 6/5/2022.**
- c) Review Engineer's Recommendation - Bldg. 1 :**

Kelly Schulz stated that a response had been received from the three contractors, Otis,UESI, and TCBI for the sheeting which is about the same dollar amount. Roger Baber recommended, UESI, Underwater Engineering Service, Inc. as professional and has the most experience with vinyl sheetings.

Kelly Schulz made a motion to the Board to authorize the Board President to enter into the contract with the council of the attorney to Underwater Engineering Service, Inc. to install the sheeting wall; seconded by Karen Vertesch..

Discussion: Difference in prices? TCBI was \$399,490; UESI was \$410,000 and Otis was \$389,000 with UESI a larger company and more experienced.

Call for the Vote: 4 in favor (John Mears, Kelly Schulz, Karen Vertesch, Loretta Gill); 1 against (Larry Hanlon). Motion passed.

- e) Consider Loan Proposal from the Bank:**

John Mears stated he and Thomas Edwards contacted the Bank that offered 4 & 5 year loan terms at an interest rate of 5¼ or 5½ %. John Mears made a motion for the Board to authorize him as President to negotiate the loan to finance this project; seconded by Kelly Schulz.

Discussion: Questions regarding how the County approves the permit; are any Mangroves being touched and how does the loan affect the budget and the unit owners?

Response: Contracts can be negotiated prior to the permit; no Mangroves will be touched; and it would be approximately \$7,000 a month payment on the loan and an increase of \$50 on the common charge.

#7-101 Ken Kusen stated the \$410,000 quote does not include the engineering survey, layout, etc., and Roger gets 30%.

Response: Items mentioned are part of the cost, but an agreement has been made with Roger to work on an hourly basis; and some of money in the Reserve fund would be used to lower the loan amount.

Call for the Vote: 4 in favor (John Mears, Kelly Schulz, Loretta Gill Karen Vertesch); 1 against (Larry Hanlon). Motion passed.

John Mears commented the final item not on the Agenda is the Recall Petition that was submitted on Sunday, June 5, 2022 with a certification of ballots and votes received. Karen Vertesch, Secretary, was asked to review the ballots and report on the results of the Recall.

Karen Vertesch commented out of the 108 ballots received there were 5 invalid ballots which brought the total count to 103 valid ballots.

John Mears stated the Recall is successful and John Mears and Kelly Schulz have been removed from the Office with the votes going to: Ken Kusen 91; Tony King 80; Larry Hanlon 71; Joseph Novello 47; and William Oberacker 16 ; totaling 305 votes. My understanding is that the top vote getters would be on the Board.

Jon Korda stated that three Board Members are a quorum; therefore those three Board Members could assign and appoint two more Board Members. Ken Kusen and Tony King confirmed Jon Korda's statement.

#1-102 Phil Bollman reported on an email sent out about a claim that UESI had a 2nd report, but it was missing from the Office. He contacted UESI to confirm & get a copy of that report; and asked if there were any changes from the original report. UESI replied the second report might

have come from another entity, but not from UESI; no changes or revisions to the original report. He commented that every Board member's integrity was in question about this.

Thomas Edwards reminded the Board there were different slots/ terms when Board Members resigned and were replaced by a new Board member. The terms/slots can be adjusted by the new Board.

John Mears made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Kelly Schulz. All in favor, motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7 p..m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Vertesch, Secretary

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