

**HILTON HEAD PLANTATION  
PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION**

**RECREATION COMMITTEE MINUTES  
POA Service Center  
7 Surrey Lane**

**August 10, 2020**

**OPENING:**

*Audrey King called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM at the Plantation House.*

**ATTENDEES:** Audrey King (Chair), Richard Dugan, George Haley, Bob Huisman, Earle Nirmaier, Margita Rockstroh, Mary Wilcox, Steve Large (Alternate) and Dave Morse (Alternate)  
Ex-Officio: Chrissy Kristian, Jen Westerfeld, Margie Lechowicz, and Peter Kristian

**ABSENTEES:** Ex-Officio: Keith Ferda

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

*Bob Huisman motioned to approve the Minutes of July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020, as presented. Margita Rockstroh seconded, and the motion was passed unanimously.*

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Chrissy reviewed the draft of the Strategic Plan for 2022-2026. One minor change was requested to Objective #3. Mary Wilcox made a motion to approve the Recreation Portion of the Strategic Plan with that one minor change and Bob Huisman seconded, and the motion was passed unanimously. Chrissy will submit the revised copy to Sharon White.
- Chrissy provided an overview of Kids Kamp and the Teen/Tween Horseback Riding Event.
- Chrissy presented the 6-month Activities Calendar.

**SUBCOMMITTEE LIAISONS:**

- Activities: Chrissy Kristian
  - Chrissy reported that Kids Kamp has officially ended, and the program was an overall success.
  - The second Deas-Guyz Concert was held on Tuesday, July 21, from 6:30-9:00 PM. Because the first concert in July ended early due to rain, the band agreed to add an additional 30 minutes to the beginning of this concert.
  - We are still utilizing the 2-hour time slots at the Spring Lake Pool with 30-minute clean breaks in between. The last day for Lifeguards was last Friday, August 7.
  - Annual Cleaning Week for the facilities is scheduled for the week of August 17-21.
  - We have two virtual presentations scheduled for the end of August. Hargray's "It's All About the Internet" Seminar was rescheduled as a Zoom presentation for Tuesday, August 25, at 10:00 AM. The "Uncharted Waters in the Stock Market" Webinar with Edward Jones reps is scheduled for Thursday, August 27, at 10:00 AM.
  - The Rob Ingman Concert is scheduled for Thursday, September 3, at 6:00 PM at Dolphin Head (outside). In case of inclement weather, it will be held on Thursday, September 10.

- The Board wants to move forward with an outdoor community meeting to discuss the Dolphin Head Renovation Project. The meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, September 9, at 9:30 AM. A rain date has also been set for the following Tuesday, September 15.
- Other September events include the Leave a Legacy Workshop, the Flu Shots with CVS, the Community Blood Drive, a new series of art classes with LeAnn Kalita, a different set of new art classes with LouAnne Barrett, and the Seabrook/Cypress Presentation at the end of the month.
- Still to be scheduled – the All Clubs Meeting.
- Tennis: Chrissy Kristian for Keith Ferda (absent)
  - Chrissy reported that tennis membership sign-ups have been off the charts. They are approaching 40 memberships in the last two months. This has helped supplement the revenue budget since they have lost two seasons of USTA Tennis (27 teams in the spring and 17+ teams in the summer) which are huge parts of the Tennis Budget.
  - Chrissy also shared that Keith was in touch with Kim (Bocce Club President), and they have around 40 people signed up for the fall league so far. The fall league is set to begin around the first week in September.
- Fishing / Lagoons: Earle Nirmaier / Dave Morse
  - Earle reported that there have been no scheduled programs with the Fishing Club.
  - Earle added that the September meeting is supposed to be their next meeting, but they probably won't have it. They may end up waiting until 2021 to start meeting again.
  - Earle shared that people are fishing, and they have noticed an increase in activity with the alligators. Some people are concerned that people are feeding them. There is one alligator in the Hickory Forest lagoon that tends to get too close for comfort.
  - Earle added that people on the social media site – Next Door – have been blaming the fishermen for feeding the alligators with their leftover bait which isn't true. Fishing Club members use artificial lures when fishing in the freshwater lagoons and do not use live bait.
- Volunteer Program: Margita Rockstroh / Mary Wilcox
  - Margita and Mary will start recruiting volunteers for the Trash & Treasure Sale next month. Chrissy added that we will need four volunteers to help with the set up in the morning at 7:30 AM and another four volunteers to help with the break down and clean up at 1:30 PM. This year's Trash & Treasure Sale has been scheduled for the first Saturday in October from 11 AM to 2 PM. The rain date is the following Saturday.
- Memorial Program / Softball: Bob Huisman / Steve Large
  - Bob reported that the Softball Club is still practicing every week – sometimes as much as three times per week.
  - Bob also added that Sun City still isn't allowing visitors at this time. The Sun City teams are just playing each other.
  - Bob then shared that they haven't had any luck getting in touch with anyone from the Skidaway Island team.
  - Steve added that he has been creating an inventory of the memorial benches by mapping out the locations of all those benches in the Plantation using Google Earth. He only has a few more to go but he's already photographed over 100.
- Bocce Ball / Shuffleboard: Richard Dugan / George Haley
  - George reported that the Bocce Club expects to have some form of a season this fall. Existing teams could register August 1-8, and any new team had to register August 10-15.

- George added that September 8 was the start date for the fall season, and the Bocce club plans to have new safety protocols in place – such as using two sets of bocce balls so less shared equipment and no shaking hands.
- Audrey added that down in Florida, people are playing bocce on the beach at night with light-up bocce balls.
- Miscellaneous: Peter Kristian
  - Peter shared that the front page of the August newsletter will include a follow-up statement regarding the Short-term Amendment lawsuit. No details can be announced because we've signed a non-disclosure statement. But, we've reached a resolution with the five properties.
  - Peter added that we have finished two major paving projects – Seabrook Drive and Oyster Reef Drive. We still have cut-and-fill work going on, and the reflectors are also being installed. The only thing left is to finish the crosswalks.
  - Peter reported that we held COVID testing for the staff on Friday. We utilized the rapid-results tests so we could find out the results within 30 minutes.
  - Peter shared that Chief Benoit is currently in the Beaufort Memorial Hospital, and he's not doing well.
  - Peter added that if the Dolphin Head Renovation Meeting goes well, we may decide to do the September Coffee outside as well.
  - In regards to the possible name change to Hilton Head Plantation, Peter shared that we plan to have a survey (it may go live in September) where property owners can vote on whether they want to pursue a name change. Each property would get one vote. We've researched cost estimates, and it depends on how much needs to be changed. If we change all of the documents, it will be more expensive. We could also choose to use a D.B.A. – doing business as which is less costly. The re-branding is the major cost associated.
  - Staff is working on the 2021 budget.
  - Peter added that home sales are off the charts. We don't have a lot of inventory of homes because it seems like so many people from up north are moving down now that they have the ability to work from home.
  - Peter reported that we've had a rash of break-ins with unlocked vehicles. Several weapons were taken as well as a small amount of cash, keys and purses. This is a good reminder to lock your doors to your vehicles and your homes.
  - In preparation of the most recent hurricane, lagoon levels were dropped but we didn't hardly get any rain from the storm so the lagoons are still extremely low.
  - Peter added that the Town of HHI is going to allow property owners to apply to re-zone their property to allow for workforce housing. This includes the properties along Main Street.
  - Peter shared that we made the front page of the Island Packet again but this time it was because of the 2020 Census.
  - Lastly, Peter reported that we were able to use the millings from our two paving projects to help add a semi-paved road underneath the powerlines by the Cypress Gate as well as add additional millings to the Whooping Crane Conservancy Parking Lot.

## ADJOURNMENT

*Margita Rockstroh motioned to adjourn. Bob Huisman seconded, and the motion was passed unanimously.*

*The meeting adjourned at 11:00 AM.*

**The next meeting is scheduled for 10:00 AM on Monday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, at the Plantation House.**