

ASSATEAGUE POINTE HOA MINUTES

July 10, 2021, | Meeting called to order by KEITH at 9:00AM

Board Members in Attendance

President: Keith Shoff, Vice President: Fred Verga, Treasurer: Troy Purnell, Secretary: Barry King
Member At Large: Joe Mosby, Recording Secretary: Xanthe Lewis

Property Manager's Report by Troy Purnell

Property Manager's Report: My biggest pet peeve has been the dumpsters. If you are having your trees trim or anything else, please fill your dumpster only fill the dumpster up to the edge. We do come and mash it down. Remember there are two dumpsters, so if one is full, please bring your trash to the other one. Waste management charges us \$500 for showing up whether they take the trash or not. If you fill up the dumpsters please notify the front office, so we can get that taken care of. If you have a contractor doing work for you please ask them to be courteous of the dumpster areas. We have had contractors in the past dump material with nails in it that have caused many flat tires. As for the erosion project we have finished 3 of the major ones. We have six or seven French drains that we need to do and will be working on this summer. Leave a message with the front office if you need that work done behind your house. We have an ongoing list, and we are trying to take care of the worst ones first. Also, we are looking at the playground equipment. The bid we received from the company we purchased them from last time is \$180,000. For now, we have put rust oleum on them, and they will be painted with a rubber coated paint. If you have any concerns, please call the front office.

Treasurer's Report by Troy Purnell

Financial through March 2021: We are over budget and income by \$31,000 due to \$25,000 we transferred from the reserve account to take care of the erosion control we have done so far. Erosion control had cost about \$50,000. We plan to move the money from the reserve account into the operating account to cover this. We will probably move another \$25,000 to cover the balance. Amenities were under budget by \$21,172 due to less than budgeted equipment and furniture purchases. Pool maintenance is under about \$4,500 and the entertainment account is ahead of budget by \$3,600. In the expense category were over by \$679. Maintenance was over budget by \$30,203. This is because of the erosion control projects but that will be offset from the money we move from the reserve account. The electric system maintenance is over budget by \$15,500. This is because we've replaced about 36 pedestals. If you notice your pedestal is getting rusty, please report that to the front office. We put more money in the budget this year to go ahead and replace those systematically, because they are getting to be 35 years old. We are \$10,000 under budget for special projects. For building maintenance, we are \$16,000 under budget. Utilities were over budget by \$18,200. This is mainly due to the additional trash removal costs. Overall, we are under budget \$2346. The biggest concern I see moving forward, is there trash removal. All in all, we are looking really good.

Old Business

- A. COVID: Unfortunately, due to the pandemic many of the projects we had planned for last year had to be postponed. A lot of the contractors were not working during that time. We ask for your patience with some of the work that is being done now, that we expected to have done last year.
- B. White Horse Park Update: The lawsuit has been settled. The county will be coming into white horse park in April 2022, and asses how many year-round people are living there. We have not been contacted by anyone at the county about this. If that changes, we will let you know. All the details about the lawsuit and settlement are on white horse park's website.
- C. New Algae Control Program: The bid from lake source was \$27,000 to do the entire community. We decided to just do part of it now. The ponds on the north side we decided not to do because it was an

extra \$15,000. We put \$10,000 in the budget to try it, and it has been working very well. Lake source comes in once a month to treat. Please let us know if you see algae starting to pop up in you pond.

- D. 911 Address': The county has been reminding us for the last several years to make sure you have street address posted on the front of your house. It can be on your front steps, front porch, or on the side of your house. If an emergency vehicle comes in that is what they look for.
- E. 4 Way Stop @ Bay Breeze & Assateague Way: The four-way stop has been installed, with flashing lights. If you see anyone running the stops signs, try and get their license number and hand that into the office. We will take care of it from there.
- F. Frontier Towne Expansion: It has been done, and they are moving forward.
- G. Work Order Status: Our list is ongoing. If you see any spot in the community that needs attention, please notify the office. We try to do the worst spots first.

New Business

- A. Rec Center Pool Renovation: We noticed there were some voids in the pool when we were preparing it for opening. The pool company came in and patched those spots to get us through this season. The rec center pool is going to need to be re-plastered this fall or next spring. When we do that, we will be doing the kiddie pool as well.
- B. Sewage Leak @ Mount Assateague Eastside: We have been in touch with the county. They came in and started to drain that side of the pond so that they can patch the liner. The liner is still under warranty, so we get the benefit of that.

"Footprints" Report

Correspondence- The arcade company comes and service the machines just about every week. If you have any issues, like losing money or a game not working please contact the office. We will refund your money and take a note of which game is not functioning correctly so we can contact the arcade company. Regarding the boat storage, I know we have a long waitlist. If you do not have a storage spot you are allowed to store the boat/RV in your driveway if it fits. Please do not leave anything parked in the street or the middle of the storage yard.

Wall of Honor

This award is dedicated every year to someone who has gone above and beyond in the service to the Community and does not have to be a homeowner. Although we have several prospective recipients, we are not making an award again this year. We will postpone this until next year.

Committee Reports

- A. ECC: Mary Ann Bing- Inspections and reinspection's have been completed. I want to thank everybody we took the time to complete any work that needed to be done. Anyone who did not complete the work will be receiving a letter. I mailed those on July 8th. We still have a few homeowners who do not have their 911 street address on their house. That needs to be done. I have had quite a few complaints about underage drivers driving golf carts. Drivers must be 16 years, and if they have a permit, they need a license driver in the passenger seat. Your small children cannot sit on your lap in the driver's seat and steer the steering wheel. It is important because someone could get hurt and there could be damage to priority. All exterior work needs to be approved before work can get started. Thank you for taking pride in your homes and your community and making Assateague Pointe the place to be in OC.
- B. Storage Yard: Mary Ann Bing- If you have not received your sticker please stop by the office and pick that up. To receive a sticker, you need to have completed your registration form. If you are not using your

- slip for anything, please consider giving it up. We have a long list of people waiting for spots. Also, you are responsible for pulling the weeds in your boat storage slip. Thank you.
- C. Pool: Barry King- I have not been here in the last four weeks because of two dire family emergencies. Throughout I have been in touch with the proper people at the appropriate times to get whatever was needed done. We have had few issues at the pools. The board and I have been on top of it. The pool company comes in a few weeks in advance and gets the pools running. We do this to test the system. Unfortunately, we noticed over Memorial Day weekend a clarity issue with the clubhouse pool. There were no safety concerns at all. We replaced the flow meter gage but that did not correct the clarity, so the health department closed the pool. The inside of two valves on the sand tank were bad. Due to COVID the valve company did not have the parts needed. We had to replace the valves on the system to remedy the problem. The pool was back open within three days. When we had to do the repair on the rec center pool the plaster needed was at a shortage as well. Thankfully, we were able to get enough to repair the voids in the rec center pool before opening. We will move forward with getting the rec center pool re-plastered in the fall or spring. The clubhouse pool was re-plastered last year. I spent two days in May repairing umbrellas to get ready for opening. Numerous chase lounges and umbrellas have been damaged since then. Unfortunately, there are not new umbrellas in stock to buy. We are asking that if you see someone struggling to open one, please help them to prevent any more damage.
- D. Beautification: Missi Clark- Thank you to everyone who came out to community clean-up day. It was great day. We did not get everything we had planned done but it was the smallest attendance we have had in 10 years. Anything we did not get done was passed over to the grounds crew.
- E. Entertainment: Vince & Lynn Luca- Assateague Pointe is up and running. So far, we have had a cleanup, meet and greet, a bingo, Elvis, 4th of July, and paint night. These events have been a big success this year already. Except for the pool party we have had people step up to chair each event. If we do not have a pool party chairperson that event will be canceled. A few changes have been made this year. At bingo nights we are selling refreshments. We have moved two of the movie nights to Friday night. The shrimp and crab feasts will have a different vendor. This is a local vendor who will prepare the shrimp and crab offsite and delivered to us. Several homeowners recommended this vendor to us. The tickets are for sale in the office. Thank you to Mike and Cathy Snyder for chairing the bingo, Paula Care for chairing the children's movie nights, and Louise for the line dancing. Also, a thank you to Sue and Tom Hartman and Kathy Dorsey for preparing and selling hot dogs at bingo nights.
- F. Nature Conservancy Committee: Mike and Kay Whaley- We have nine bluebird houses that we put up about three years ago. There are two martin condos with six houses in each. When we check the houses, we keep a record of what we find. This year we have had thirty new bluebirds. The martin houses have not been as successful. Take a walk around our beautiful and peaceful butterfly garden that Brenda and Dave Hawk take care of. We hope in the years to come we will be able to expand it. The monarch release is scheduled for August 14th. We have ordered the butterflies and we will release them at the butterfly garden. Also, we have a new hummingbird feeder at the clubhouse pool. It is recommended that if you have your own hummingbird feeder that you make your own water, one part sugar and four parts water.

Announcements

**PLEASE SIGN UP FOR EMAIL ANNOUNCEMENTS ON www.AssateaguePointe.com
& JOIN OUR FACEBOOK PAGE FOR ONGOING ANNOUNCEMENTS!
THE ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE IS IN NEED OF A FAMILY POOL PARTY
CHAIRPERSON! PLEASE CONTACT VINCE & LYNN LUCA IF YOU ARE INTERESTED!**

Open Discussion

Q: I have seen turtle laying eggs in some of the open grass areas, can those nests be marked off, so they do not mow over it?

- a) *Yes, if you notify us on where these nests are we will corner those off.*

Q: There are a lot of water lilies growing around the pond could some of them be trimmed back?

a) *Yes, we will take care of it.*

Q: I have noticed that not all the lifeguards are carrying their licenses on them. This has and can continue to get the pool shut door, what can we do to remedy this?

a) *We will be in contact with the pool company to make sure the lifeguards always have their licenses on them. In years previous we have not had this problem, but we will address it immediately. Since the Meeting this was checked, and we found that all but one of the lifeguards carry their license on their phone. More info to follow.*

Q: Several children have cut their feet on the bottom of the rec center pool. It seems to be the worst in the shallow end, what is causing that?

a) *There was a large amount of sand on the bottom of the pools. Sand can have small rocks and shells in it that can cut your feet. The sand has been vacuumed out. We ask that anyone coming from the beach rinses off any sand on their person before they enter the pools.*

Q: Did we receive PPP money, and if so, what did that money go towards?

a) *Yes, we did. We used it last year to subsidize the cost of having to have an extra lifeguard on duty to open the pools. The cost was \$29,000, and we received \$33,600. This is all in the financial report.*

Q: Does my house have a mailbox?

a) *Possibly. The U.S. Post Office handles the assignment of any mailbox. The main post office for our area is Ocean Pines. If you contact them, they will be able to either change the locks on a previously assigned mailbox or assign you one. If you do not have a mailbox and you try to have a package shipped through U.S.P.S. it will not be delivered. FedEx or U.P.S. will bring it to your house.*

Q: Do we get multiple bids for the big projects we have done and can a homeowner that is a contractor submit a bid?

a) *We do get bids for a lot of our projects. The gates we do not get bids on because we have dealt with different companies and this company we use now is the one that will show up when we need them. Yes, a homeowner is a contractor can submit a bid. All bids are reviewed by the board and voted on.*

Q: How do we contact the board?

a) *The contact information for all the board members is on the website www.assateaguepointe.com and in each newsletter.*

Q: Can the bill be paid electronically?

a) *Yes, we have switched the format on the billing that will allow in the future electronic payments. We are hoping to have it up and running by the next two billing cycles. Bills can also be paid via "billpayer".*

Q: Is it possible to have a keypad installed on the gate instead of the gate cards?

a) *The problem is that the code could be passed around and renter, previous owners, and contractors would still have access to the community. The gate cards are the safest most controllable option.*

Q: Can we go into the rec center or clubhouse during inclement weather?

a) *Yes, we have advised the courtesy personnel that during inclement weather to open both buildings. We advise that you go into the bathrooms of those buildings because there are no windows. Since these buildings are not classified as "Emergency Shelters" homeowners go there at their own risk. More info to follow.*

Q: Can we have the fencing in the dog part repaired, and some trees planted there?

a) *We are having a meeting with the fencing company on 7/12 and will get that taken care of. The trees we are look into, or possibly a gazebo.*

Q: Is there an update on the trees by the storage yard?

a) *We have that on the work schedule for the fall. If you plant the trees before the fall season they tend to die.*

Q: Is there a way to limit the number of renters that can stay at a home?

a) *That is up to each individual homeowner how many people to allow on their property, but we will check with the County to verify what if any regulations they have regarding this*

Next Meeting

September 18, 2021, at 9:00 AM, at the clubhouse.

Motion to adjourn was made at 11:22 a.m. and was passed unanimously.

Recorded by Xanthe Lewis