

MAPLE LEAF HOMEOWNERS' MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY – March 4, 2019

Presiding: V.P. Mike Smith with President Rick Hull. Meeting called to Order @ 9:30 a.m.

1. MOMENT OF SILENCE - Mike opened the meeting with a moment of silence to remember friends and loved ones no longer with us, and the men and women who are serving in the world's troubled spots to protect our freedom.
2. WELCOME NEW HOMEOWNERS IN ATTENDANCE: none.
3. PRESENTATION: Keith McGruer donated \$150 from Men's Golf Association, and \$100 from the free weights group, to Tom Kanigan for the history project.
4. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING: Minutes of February 4, 2019 were accepted as distributed.
5. MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT Rick Hull: recapped election results, thanked the Election Committee and introduced new officers and directors. Thanked outgoing ombudsman Don McElroy, and directors Frank Phillips, Donna Sheppard and Jeff Stapledon for their time and efforts. Reported on stolen golf cart and recommended getting insurance if not currently covered. Highlighted upcoming events – Mardi Gras, Strawberry Festival, retirement tribute dinner for John Bradley. Reported on search process for new GM, goal to have replacement on board by May 1. Announced women's and men's golf champions, Ann Hall and Ron Keyes. Reminded all to change clocks to daylight saving time. Wished safe travels to those departing before final homeowners meeting on April 1.
6. GENERAL MANAGERS UPDATE by John Bradley: noted violent weather and recent tornadoes in the South, discussed hurricane prep; snowbirds, please follow checklist when closing up house for the season; supervise guests, especially children, beware of snakes near rocks, emphasized safety – pedestrians, bicycles, speeding; security – lock your home, don't leave keys in carts; Pro Shop – new merchandise, invite guests to shop, twilight golf opportunities; Sandbar/CC – happy hour times changing to 3 to 7 p.m. beginning in March; home sales – 22 closed or pending, rentals in demand; please care for your lot over the summer, encouraged all not to prepay workers; space requisitions are ready for processing; check lost & found to reclaim missing items; thanked all the volunteers who do so much for MLE. Safe travels.
7. GROUNDS AND GOLF COURSE UPDATE by Chris Spence: course is enjoying great weather; thanked golf association for donation of new markers, see Chris to claim old tee markers; plantings donated by Garden Club; palm tree trimming over summer – please move any breakable/valuable items; don't bring garden waste to maintenance department – leave on roadside for pick up; two mowings scheduled for March 11th to 15th and 25th to 28th.
8. DIRECTORS' REPORTS:
 - a) Gary Kobel, Restaurant Committee: highlighted upcoming March & April events per handout; timeframe for implementation of \$100 food & beverage assessment to be announced, depends on Jonas capability, possibly January 2020; sign up for email list for restaurant specials/events;

- reported on slower ticket sales, asked for suggestions re entertainment, dances, etc.
- b) Gary Kobel provided an update on the general manager search committee process and progress.
9. REAL ESTATE by Shauna Platt: reported on very busy traffic during past 2 weeks; most homes now occupied so need advance notice for showings; homeowners should advise renters in advance if your home is for sale; currently 33 homes for sale; summer is opportune time to sell – 20 home sold in summer 2018; utilizing MLE sales office benefits the corporation.
10. INTERNET SERVICE by Dave Zakikian and CenturyLink: contract in progress, under review; thanked the community for supporting the project; anticipate 5 to 6 month project once contract is signed; **more information will be included in summer mailing**; schedule will be based on ability to gain access to homes; opened to Q&A session. In summary: Router is included in price. Small boxes are installed, one outside and one inside, all wireless, no inside cable, must be near an AC outlet. Confirmed \$30.95/month for 10 years, unless taxes or fees are subsequently implemented. Billing begins when all homes are installed, up and running, and satisfied. Internet service only, but can be used to stream TV via centurylink.com/streaming with no contract. No option to use a different router. Will bore under roads rather than tear up. Will restore anything disturbed. Will increase homeowner property value. A 24/7 help line is available, response time covered in contract. Bob Matecki (#56) initiated a round of applause for Dave Z.
11. CLUBS: 1) Tom Kanigan provided an update on the history book, unveiled cover design and title “Welcome Home – The Maple Leaf Story,” suggested by Sharon Poland and Jean Gerber. Requested donations to offset cost of printing and reduce sale price. Asked for help contacting former residents who may wish to buy copies. 2) Pat McEvoy, disbursed Flea Market proceeds: \$150 to model sailboat club, \$400 to Natural Resources Committee for trees, \$100 to Maple Leaf Singers, \$1,000 to Communications Club, \$150 for Santa Claus parade, retaining \$100 for expenses, \$300 to Library for books, \$200 to Woodworkers for materials for children’s toys, \$200 to Channel 195, and funds to cover name tags for new residents. 3) Enid Lunt, Tai Chi class, donated \$320 to Natural Resources Committee for planting trees. 4) Cecile Messina (#715) distributed proceeds from entertainment planned by a group of residents: \$964 to the Communications Club, \$300 to the Garden Club. 5) Judy Sheehan, Maple Leaf Singers provided info on three upcoming concerts in March. 6) Norm Harrison, Garden Club – announced memorial service and AGM to be held Saturday; donated \$100 to Phil Bamforth, CH195, \$100 to Communications Club, and \$600 to MLE Corporation for plantings.
12. RESIDENT INPUT: 1) Linda Zakikian, Library – needs large print books, please don’t take books home over the summer, thank you to all who donate. 2) Warren Jackson (#689) questioned \$10k increase in legal expenses in past year. John Bradley responded that MLE incurred \$8k in legal fees because of inability to enforce a lien on property. 3) Pat Brown (#340) stated \$100 food and beverage assessment per household is unfair to single residents. 4) Lynn Sabin (#658) suggested considering \$50 per person assessment. Rick Hull and Mike Smith responded that card can be sold to another resident for use, and could be posted on MLE Facebook page for sale.

Meeting Adjourned at 11:20 a.m.