



Residents Association Council Meeting Minutes

9:00 AM, 24 April 2020 via a conference call

President Ron Sweet called the Council to order at 9:00.

Members present via roll call: Jean Aronson, Phyllis Black, Jean Bonhaus, Penny Boyne, Sarah Chambers, Bill Ciota, Carolyn Clark, Carolyn Deming, Janis Harris, Marsha Marshall, Helen McAninch, David Mohl, Marianne Mott, Jeanne Nenarella, Carolyn O'Neill, Larry Piechoski, Ron Sweet, Charles Willard.

Council Members absent: None

Secretary Marsha Marshall confirmed the presence of a quorum. A motion to adopt the agenda, which came to the Council approved by the Executive Committee and not requiring a second, was made by Vice President Chambers. The motion passed unanimously.

Vice President Chambers moved that we accept the March minutes as distributed. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

President's Report: Ron Sweet

- Due to social distancing, this is the second consecutive telecon Council meeting.
- Discussions between President Sweet and Executive Director Roher occur on an almost daily basis.
- Maintenance plans to improve the Resident car wash facility in the main parking lot by the addition of a roof, lockers, and cleaning supplies.
- The pool deck is being resurfaced.
- Repaving at GVT and additional walkways to the sports facilities there will commence next.
- Mike Anderson is working on a mission statement for the proposed Technology Committee.
- Racrep.org, the RAC website, continues to be updated and improved. RAC encourages all residents to visit it for information and Council and Committee minutes since we are not passing the minutes from apartment to apartment during the time of concern about infection.

- The President and the Vice President are working with committees to encourage the use of non-face-to-face meetings.
- RAC Committee recruiting for the new committee year will be delayed at least one month because of the difficulty of meeting in person now.

Vice President's Report: Sarah Chambers

- RAC Rep orientation has been accomplished piece-meal under current conditions, and by April 26th, all RAC Reps will have attended a full orientation course.
- In an effort to make our Council meetings productive for all members, RAC Reps will be invited each month to bring up items to add to the agenda. This month Dave Mohl, 7BC RAC Rep, suggested that we poll the members of the Council for their views on our food and the service provided by the Dining Services Department.

New Business:

1. Dining Services Poll

President Sweet polled all members of the Council for their comments on our current food service. All reports were positive, and constructive comments were made. A full report will be prepared and distributed to RAC Reps and Dining Services management.

2. Bylaw Changes first reading

Vice-President Chambers proposed three Bylaw revisions. Changes had been distributed via e-mail with written discussion to the Council in advance of the meeting.

A. Correction to the Preface of the Bylaws eliminating reference to the ownership of Freedom Plaza. The text of this new paragraph follows:

“Freedom Plaza is an entry fee Life Plan Community committed by contract with Residents to provide a specific environment and services in and about the PLAZA and GOLFVIEW TERRACE. Satisfactory fulfillment of these contracts and their success and the success of the enterprise are important to the well-being of the Residents.”

The motion to accept this change was seconded by Charles Willard and unanimously passed by the Council.

B. Change to Article II. Section 2 of the Bylaws adding the words “the officers” regarding the management of the Council. The text of this section follows:

“Section 2 The business of the Residents’ Association shall be managed by a council, which shall be composed of the elected RAC Reps together with the officers and immediate past president.”

The motion to accept this change was seconded by Marsha Marshall and unanimously passed by the Council.

C. Change to Article V, Section 2 of the Bylaws, which allows officers who are no longer RAC Reps to vote in Council elections and adds the words “and Council Members.” The text follows:

“Article V, Section 2 At the February Council meeting, the newly elected RAC Reps and those RAC Reps and Council Members whose term did not end shall, where there is a vacancy, elect the president, vice president, and secretary, each of whom shall be a RAC Rep at the time of initial election or appointment.”

The motion to accept this change was seconded by Charles Willard and unanimously passed by the Council.

All three Bylaws will be presented for a second reading at the next regular meeting.

3. Requests to RAC Reps

President Sweet reviewed his request to the RAC Reps to survey their residents to determine how many can see YouTube videos and Freedom Plaza Network (FPN) on channel 732 of Spectrum Cable TV. The goal is to provide more and better ways to communicate safely in our community.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Helen McAninch, seconded by Carolyn O’Neill, and passed unanimously at 10:04 AM.

The next meeting of the Council will be held on 22 May 2020 in a format to be determined by the Executive Committee.

Marsha Marshall, Secretary