



Resident Association Council Meeting Minutes

9:00 a.m. October 25, 2024

Freedom Plaza Club Room

President Bill Turcotte called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Council members present: Ellie Anderson, Alice Aragon, Pearl Birnbaum, Veanna Cape, Ron Carter, Sharon Ehrenfeld, Harry Hintz, Letha Jones, Carol O'Brien, Carolyn O'Neill, Al Roberts, Sue Schuldt, Bill Turcotte, Jan Ulics, Kathy Vore, Ron Wesorick

Absences: Pam Cummings (proxy Pete Tallarico), Doug Heym (proxy Tedi Nessas), Joyce McCutcheon (proxy Rocky McCutcheon)

Attending: Sondra Thorson, Designated Resident Representative; Don Vore, Technical Advisor

The Secretary confirmed a quorum was present.

A motion to adopt the Agenda was moved by Veanna Cape and seconded by Bill Turcotte. Motion carried.

The August 23, 2024 RAC Council meeting minutes were previously approved via email distribution and response by a majority of Council members confirmed by the Secretary. The minutes were approved.

President's Report:

The President reviewed the dining survey process. Because of Hurricane Helene and Hurricane Milton, the September council meeting and general meeting were canceled and the results were not presented to the council members as planned. Discussion ensued about the survey. The results will be provided to each council member. A copy is attached to these minutes.

The President reported that a letter had been sent to LCS requesting them to consider reducing the 2% portion of the fee increase for 2025. However, Executive Director Angie Roher announced at the Apps with Angie meeting that LCS did not reduce the 2% portion of the fee increase for 2025. Al Roberts explained how Freedom Plaza's 2024 net operating income and margin outperformed the 2024 budget. Discussion ensued. Pearl Birnbaum suggested we form a special committee to discuss the situation. The President took the suggestion under advisement.

Vice President's Report:

Due to the number of items needing to be brought before the council, the Vice President deferred her report to the November meeting.

Secretary's Report:

The Secretary reported on the RAC holiday party. It will be held on December 6 in the Plaza Club. The theme will be a Grinch Holiday Party.

Old Business:

- **Racrep.org Transition to Uniguest**

Don Vore reported that the transfer of racrep.org to Uniguest formerly Touchtown is still in progress. Currently, the Executive Director has decided that RAC council and committee minutes will be kept on a thumb drive. Discussion ensued about needing an Information Technology (IT) person on staff at Freedom Plaza to manage a website for this purpose.

New Business:

- **Associate Appreciation Committee Request**

Don Vore, Chairman of the Associate Appreciation Committee, requested that the committee be approved as a Working Committee. A motion to make the Associate Appreciation Committee a Working Committee was moved by Pearl Birnbaum and seconded by Carolyn O'Neill. Motion carried.

Don asked the RAC Reps to remind the residents in their wings that the deadline to contribute to the fund is November 8. We have 400 employees who will receive a check.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 am.

The next Council meeting will be Friday, November 22, 2024 at 9:00 am in the third floor Club Room. The next general meeting will be Friday, November 22, 2024 at 10:00 am in the auditorium

Respectfully submitted,
Veanna Cape, RAC Secretary