# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF LAGUNA WOODS MUTUAL NO. FIFTY A CALIFORNIA NON-PROFIT MUTUAL BENEFIT CORPORATION

#### June 20, 2019

The Board of Directors of Laguna Woods Mutual No. Fifty, a California non-profit mutual benefit corporation, met at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 20, 2019 at 24055 Paseo Del Lago West, Laguna Woods, California.

**Directors Present:** Ryna Rothberg-Chair, Al Amado, June Greenwald and John

Dalis, John Carter (joined meeting after item 17a)

**Directors Absent:** None.

Staff Present: Kristen Orr, Ariana Rodriguez, Alex Banegas, Matthew

Sanchez, Angela Medina and Renee Pedroza.

Others Present: None.

# **CALL TO ORDER**

Director Rothberg called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m. and established that a quorum was present.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Director Greenwald led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

By unanimous consensus, the Board approved the agenda.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETING

Without objection, the Board approved the regular open meeting minutes of:

- (a) May 16, 2019 Regular Meeting
- (b) May 31, 2019 Special Regular Meeting

#### PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

President Rothberg recommended that residents attend the June 21, 2019 meeting with the Registrar of Voters to discuss polling locations within the Village for the 2019 General Election. She mentioned the closure of Gate 10, effective Monday, June 24<sup>th</sup> and highlighted alternate routes.

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#### **GOLDEN RAIN FOUNDATION REPORT**

Ms. Orr reviewed relevant information from the May 2019 Golden Rain Foundation Board meeting.

#### **GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

Ms. Orr reported on several items at The Towers, including the new dining program-effective June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019. She also reported on the progress of the flooring project and mentioned the new pumpkin patch. Ms. Orr also gave the management reports for May 2019, including: The Resale Report, the Leasing Report, the Maintenance and the Dining Services Reports (including budget overages/variances).

#### TREASURER'S REPORT/FINANCE COMMITTEE

Director Amado reported on the April 2019 financials.

#### MEMBER COMMENTS

- Lilian Falk, 711, mentioned roaches in her unit and that residents should be proactive and not shy about the problem.
- Shelva Lenzkes, 401, requested membership to approach her with transportation problems and she will help address them with V.M.S. staff. She mentioned people should stop complaining about the food.
- Jean Gagnon, 1107, commented that the pond is still being neglected.
- Sy Wellikson, 1161, commented that not all committee meetings are on the Agenda and that they should all be listed.
- Steve Handelman, 251, commented on caregivers getting the coffee and cookies in Hearth Room 2-- possibly for residents. Recommends removing the service in Tower 2 and keeping them just in Tower 1.
- Carole Schnall, 611, recommended changing the location for Happy Hour to a location that is easier to access.
- Ruth Stone, 603, recommend an easy alternate route (Gate 8) to get to The Towers.
- Ken Nickoll, 1155, commented on the value of lunch and thinks it should be available for all.
- Henry Nahoum, 1306, commented on the difficulty in getting rid of roaches.

### **RESPONSE TO MEMBERS' COMMENTS**

The Board of Directors and Ms. Orr responded to member comments.

### **MUTUAL FIFTY COMMITTEE REPORTS**

# **Activities Committee Report**

Ms. Rothberg commented on looking for alternative transportation for trips.

### **Marketing Committee Report**

No meeting, no report given.

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# **Orientation Committee Report**

No meeting, no report given.

# **Ad Hoc Transportation Committee**

No meeting, no report given.

# **CONSENT CALENDAR**

a) Reverse \$50 in Reminder Fees for Account 220-2288(\$25) and 232-1923(\$25) By consensus, approved.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

# **Legal Opinion for Dress Code Enforcement**

The Board has requested Legal Counsel's opinion on how to address the Dress Code and the enforcement. Legal Counsel's recommendation is the following: "For the Board to either reverse the rule or enforce it uniformly. If the Board elects to enforce the Dress Code Rule, it should rely on shareholders, rather than Management or dining hall personnel, to report alleged violations of the Dress Code Rule. The Board can then provide each allegedly offending shareholder with a notice and hearing regarding the violation, at which the Board can investigate the matter and decide on the discipline appropriate for it to impose. Further, we recommend that the Board revise the Dress Code Rule to remove certain language so as to be consistent with this recommendation.... in sum, shifting the reporting responsibility to the shareholders will likely result in less violations going unreported. Moreover, by consistently providing a notice and hearing to every allegedly offending shareholder, any claims that the Mutual is inconsistently or unevenly enforcing the Dress Code Rule will be prevented". Director Amado moved to follow Legal's opinion. Director Greenwald seconded the motion. Discussion ensued. By a vote of 2-1-1, (Director Amado against, Director Dalis abstained) the motion passed.

# **Second Occupant Fee Adjustment**

Director Greenwald read the proposed resolution:

RESOLUTION M50-19-26 2019 Budget Resolution

**RESOLVED**, September 20, 2018, that the Business Plan of this Corporation for the year 2019 is hereby adopted and approved; and

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that pursuant to said Business Plan, the Board of Directors of this Corporation hereby estimates that the sum of \$9,953,972 is required by the Corporation to meet the Laguna Woods Mutual No. Fifty operating expenses and reserve requirements for the year 2019, from which will be deducted \$1,142,867 expected from various sources of revenue. In addition, the sum of \$756,962 is required by the Corporation to meet the Golden Rain Foundation and the Golden Rain Foundation Trust operating expenses and reserve contributions for the year 2019. The Board of Directors hereby estimates that the net sum of \$7,748,193 is

required to be collected from and paid by members of the Corporation as basic monthly assessments; and

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that the Board of Directors of this Corporation hereby approves expenditures from reserves in the sum of \$970,200 from the Replacement Funds; and

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that the Board of Directors of this Corporation hereby determines and establishes monthly assessments of the Corporation as shown on each member's breakdown of monthly assessments for the year 2019 and as filed in the records of the Corporation; said assessments to be due and payable by the members of this Corporation on the first day of each month for the year 2019; and

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that the Board of Directors of this Corporation hereby determines and establishes monthly assessments required to be paid by members of the Corporation effective January 1, 2019 as follows:

Unit Model	Monthly Assessment	
Α	\$2,155.01	
В	\$2,192.06	
С	\$2,362.53	
D	\$2,332.88	
F	\$2,540.41	
G	\$2,295.83	
Н	\$2,481.12	

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that the second occupant charge will be \$671.00, of which \$550.00 is for food service and \$121.00 is for maintenance; and

WHEREAS, that upon investigation, the 2019 second occupant charge was determined to be calculated in error and necessitates an increase; and NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, September 1, 2019, that the Board of Directors of this Corporation, on behalf of the Corporation, hereby states the Laguna Woods Mutual No. Fifty second occupant charge as shown:

Laguna Woods Mutual No. Fifty Second Occupant Charge \$737.34, of which \$616.34 is for food service and \$121.00 is for maintenance; and

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that Resolution M50-18-75, adopted September 20, 2018 is hereby superseded and cancelled; and

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**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that the officers and agents of this Corporation are hereby authorized on behalf of the Corporation to carry out the purpose of this resolution.

This resolution will be out for 30 day comment pursuant to the Davis Stirling Common Interest Development Act.

Director Greenwald moved the resolution. Director Dallis seconded the motion. By a vote of 3-0-0, the resolution passed.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Board Vacancy**

Director Greenwald read the proposed resolution:

# **RESOLUTION 50-19-27**

**WHEREAS**, Laguna Woods Mutual No. 50 has a board vacancy resulting from the resignation of Inesa Nord-Leth and;

WHEREAS, the term of Director Nord-Leth expires December 2020;

**WHEREAS**, the board reserves the right to fill the vacancy through an appointment and;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Directors hereby appoints John Carter to fill the vacancy resulting from the resignation of Inesa Nord-Leth with an expiration date of December 2020;

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that the officers and agents of this Corporation are hereby authorized on behalf of the Corporation to carry out the purpose of this resolution.

Director Greenwald moved the resolution. Director Dallis seconded the motion. By a vote of 4-0-0, the motion passed.

# **Approve Reserve Study Agreement**

Director Greenwald read the proposed resolution:

# RESOLUTION 50-19-28 Supplemental Appropriation for 2019 Reserve Study

**WHEREAS**, California Civil Code requires condominium associations to prepare a formal reserve study every three years, and

WHEREAS, Mutual No. Fifty performed its last Reserve Study in 2018, and

**WHEREAS**, RSI, the reserve study specialist that Mutual No. Fifty has used for the previous studies, has quoted a price of \$3,360 to perform a study in 2019,

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**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, June 20, 2019, that the Board of Directors of this Corporation hereby awards a sole source contract to RSI and approves a supplemental appropriation of \$3,360 from the Replacement Fund for the completion of the Reserve Study; and

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that the officers and agents of this Corporation are hereby authorized on behalf of the Corporation to carry out the purpose of this resolution.

Director Greenwald moved the resolution. Director Amado seconded the motion. By a vote of 4-0-0, the motion passed.

# **Engage Services of an Engineer**

At a previous meeting, Staff was asked to determine qualified engineers to come and evaluate our Zen Garden area and the subsequent water intrusion in the tunnel below. Staff has identified the following three Engineering Firms, all of which have extensive experience in Hydro-Engineering. The Companies are as follows: Global Geo Engineering (Irvine) with complimentary site-visit, Hetherington Engineering, Inc. (Carlsbad) with complimentary site-visit, and Hannan Geotechnical (Laguna Hills) with \$500 site-visit. Staff is seeking Board approval to invite these three companies for site-visits as well as authorize them to present proposals for the cost of any necessary study to be done to this area in order to determine our next step in addressing the water intrusion occurring in Tunnel two. Director Amado made a motion to invite the 3 vendors to attend site-visits and prepare proposals for recommendations for addressing the water intrusion in Tunnel 2. Director Dalis second the motion. Discussion ensued. By a vote of 4-0-0, the motion passed.

# Agenda Workshop List

Staff is requesting that relevant items that are brought up at the monthly Agenda Workshop are subsequently placed on the monthly Open Board Meeting Agenda for Board consideration. Staff is seeking Board consideration for the relevant items discussed at June's Agenda Workshop (attached). The Board addressed the items on the June Agenda Workshop List and directed staff to refer them to the appropriate committees.

#### **GRF COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Community Activities Committee – Ryna Rothberg No report given.

**Business Planning Committee – Al Amado** No report to give.

Finance Committee – Al Amado No report given.

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# Landscape Committee – June Greenwald

No report given.

# Maintenance and Construction Committee – Ryna Rothberg

Ms. Rothberg commented on items discussed at the Maintenance and Construction Committee Meeting.

# Media and Communications Committee- Ryna Rothberg

Ms. Rothberg commented on items discussed at the Media & Communications Committee Meeting.

# Mobility and Vehicles Committee - June Greenwald

No report given.

# **Security and Community Access – John Dalis**

No report given.

# **Disaster Planning Task Force – Inesa Nord-Leth**

No report to give.

#### PAC Ad Hoc Committee – June Greenwald

No report to give.

#### Laguna Woods Traffic Hearings – Ryna Rothberg

No report given.

# **Board Member Closing Comments**

No closing comments.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The open session meeting was adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

#### **Summary of Previous Closed Session Meetings per Civil Code Section 4935**

During its Regular Executive Session meeting of June 20, 2019, the Board approved the minutes of the May 14, 2019 Regular Closed meeting, the May 20, 2019 Special Closed meeting and the May 24, 2019 Special Closed meeting and discussed disciplinary and contract issues. The closed session meeting was adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

John Carter,	Secretary