

MINUTES

GOLDEN RAIN FOUNDATION OF WALNUT CREEK

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THURSDAY, MARCH 31, 2016, AT 9:00 A.M.

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Golden Rain Foundation (GRF) of Walnut Creek was convened by the President, Leslie Birdsall, at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, March 31, 2016, in Peacock Hall at Gateway Complex, 1001 Golden Rain Road, Walnut Creek, California.

ROLL CALL: Present: Leslie Birdsall, Barbara S. Jordan, Mary Lou Delpuch, Kenneth W. Haley, Sue DiMaggio Adams, Richard E. Hurley, Robert D. Kelso, Geraldine Pyle, and Timothy O'Keefe, Chief Executive Officer (CEO), ex-officio member of the Board

Attendance

Excused: Melvin C. Fredlund

There being no corrections, the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board held on February 25, 2016, were approved, as written, by unanimous consent.

Minutes
Approved

Mr. Haley gave the Treasurer's report for the period ending February 28, 2016.

Treasurer's
Report/
CEO's
Report

The CEO reviewed his written report dated March 24, 2016.

During the Residents' Forum, Irving Katuna, a resident who was hit by a car last December while crossing the intersection at Oakmont Drive and Tice Creek Drive, said that the Board's number one focus should be on the safety of residents. He went on to express his concerns about the crosswalk at that intersection and other crosswalks at high-traffic intersections in Rossmoor, requesting that action be taken to improve the safety of pedestrians at the crosswalks to help minimize similar accidents.

Residents'
Forum

Sonia Chang expressed her concerns about the dangerous condition of the crosswalk at the intersection of Oakmont Drive and Tice Creek Drive, citing three near-fatal encounters she experienced with cars that accelerated through the intersection.

J. Melvin Bricker and then John Kent expressed their concerns about the dangerous condition of the crosswalk at the Intersection of Oakmont Drive and Tice Creek Drive. Mr. Kent went on to suggest the installation of cost-effective flashing pedestrian signs and in-roadway lights to enhance the safety of key crosswalks and to minimize potential incidents.

The President called on the CEO, who assured the residents who spoke during the Forum that the matter is not being ignored, noting that traffic issues are the number-one concerns residents bring to him. He went on to report that he asked Public Safety Manager Dennis Bell to revisit a traffic study done several years ago and see what needs to be updated. Recommendations about this will be presented to the Board within the next couple of months.

Mary Moreau asked the Board to consider extending the red no parking zone west of Entry 3 on Ptarmigan Drive another 20 or 30 feet in order to better see oncoming traffic. She then asked the Board to consider using a non-toxic weed killer instead of Round-Up or any other product containing glyphosate, citing the negative effects of glyphosates.

Karen Larkin presented a petition signed by residents of Rossmoor Parkway, Entry 5, requesting that the mulching project, which is directly in front of their condominiums, on the Dollar Course, hole 8, fairway be put on hold and that a meeting with the homeowners be held to allow them to express their concerns about the project.

Clair S. Weenig addressed the issue of employee compensation, speaking specifically about an earlier Board's decision to eliminate the bonus pool and more recently this Board's decision to reduce a cost of living increase and the effects thereof on GRF's employees. He suggested some ways to address this matter.

At this point the President gave the members of the Board the opportunity to respond to any of the comments made during the Residents' Forum, and a few members of the Board took the opportunity to do so.

Brian Stack, Chairman, Aquatics Advisory Committee, was unable to attend the meeting, but, on his behalf, the President said the written report of the Committee's March meeting was accurate and complete. He then expressed the Committee's thanks to Jeff Matheson, Director, Resident Services, for taking care of residents' concerns regarding the heater in the Women's locker room at the Hillside Pool. Discussion followed.

AAC
Report

Chris Yahng, Chairman, Finance Committee, reported on the Committee's March meeting. Discussion followed.

Finance
Committee
Report

Claudia Tierney, Chairman, Fitness Center Advisory Committee, highlighted items in the report of the Committee's March meeting, noting that there will be an open house on Tuesday, April 5th, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Del Valle Complex to introduce residents to the designs and renovation processes for the Complex.

FCAC
Report

In the absence of John McDonnell, Chairman, Golf Advisory Committee, the President reported that the report of the Committee's March meeting was included in the agenda package. Discussion followed.

GAC
Report

Les Birdsall, Chairman, Policy Committee, reported on the Committee's March meeting and discussed the reasons why the Committee is recommending that Policy 301.2, Memorial Services, be deleted. It was noted that this was the first reading on the proposed recommended deletion of the Policy. In keeping with the Board's practice that policy, procedure, and rule items be on the agenda for two end-of-the-month meetings to allow time for resident input, consideration of deleting Policy 301.2 was deferred to the April 28, 2016, regular meeting of the Board.

Policy Com
Report /
Consid-
eration of
Deleting
Policy 301.2
Deferred

Following introductory remarks by the President, a motion was made by Ms. Delpech, seconded by Ms. Adams, and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY to approve the appointment of the audit firm of Burr Pilger Mayer to count the ballots for the upcoming election of GRF Directors to represent District B and District F and to authorize the CEO to execute the Engagement Letter with Burr Pilger and Mayer outlining the scope of the services to be provided.

Approved
Appointment
of Audit
Firm to
Count
Ballots for
Districts B
& F

Following introductory remarks by the President, a motion was made by Ms. Delpech and seconded by Ms. Adams to approve an expenditure up to \$382,000 from the operating budget and to authorize the CEO to execute a contract with Silicon Valley Paving, Inc. for street maintenance. Following discussion, the vote on the motion was taken, and the motion CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Approved
Funds for
Street
Maintenance

Before concluding, the President announced that there will not be a mid-month regular meeting of the Board in April; that the next end-of-the month regular meeting of the Board will be held on Thursday, April 28, 2016, at 9:00 a.m. in Peacock Hall at Gateway Complex; and that the Board will meet in executive session following this meeting to discuss contract and legal matters and any other appropriate business.

Announce-
ments

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was recessed at 10:00 a.m. and reconvened in executive session at 10:15 a.m. in the Board Room.

Recess


Mary Lou Delpech, Secretary
Golden Rain Foundation of Walnut Creek