Briarwood Falls Association Executive Board Meeting Minutes July 13, 2023

(Approved August 10, 2023)

Minutes Submitted by: Chair: Pat Perna Joe Geiger / Secretary

Board Members

Pat Perna - President, Karen Pontrelli - Treasurer/Director,

Bill Cucchi - Director, Greg Dexter - Director, Joe Geiger - Director, Dave Musto - Director

Guests:

Present:

Attendees: Shirley & Bradley Gerrish, Donna Leon, Rose Ogden,

Ron Sabatos

Zoom Participants: Nancy Daley, Lynn Geiger, David Pontrelli

Board Members Absent:

TOPICS	DISCUSSION
1) Call to Order	Meeting called to order at 10:00 AM
2) Additions to Agenda	 Bill will add waiver for driveway sealcoat Joe in Old Business to give update on inspection of entrance bridge Karen – in New Business Garden Club project to spruce up the Gazebo
3) Community Member Input	• None
4) Approval of Board Meeting Minutes	 Minutes of June 8, 2023 Exec Board Meeting were presented for approval. Karen asked to amend Agenda item 5, Treasurers Report, Total Reserves line, to change deposit to balance. Also, Agenda item 12, to remove opinion statement last line in 2nd paragraph. Bill made motion to approve minutes as amended. Greg 2nd motion All approved.
5) Treasurer's Report	 Karen presented the financial statement for the last month, June 2023: Total Income: \$27,319 Total Expenses: \$25,383 Difference was \$1937 Total Reserve balance at end of month: \$103,020 CD balance (Reserves): \$100,577 Business Checking Balance \$23,819

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 Joe inquired about starting to work on renewal of a trash contact since current multi-year contract with Casella-Willimantic Waste expires this year. Greg mentioned to check if there is an "evergreen clause" in current contract with Casella which could provide a cost advantage if contract was renewed early. Karen will check with trash service providers to our area. Also, will check if using smaller bins has any advantage in contract pricing.
 Joe asked about ARC box now in Community Center for can and bottle recycling. Bill had arranged for the ARC container and will follow up with them to get the intended schedule for periodic pickups.
 Bill reported work items done since May report. Details are in the M&R Tracking Report attached to minutes. Completion dates for tasks reported are highlighted in blue font. Gutter overflow problem 4 Owls Nest was looked at but owner installed gutter guards have to be removed before cutters can be cleaned. Pat will send note to owner to have guards removed.
 10 Oriole – install grab rail at kitchen entrance – approved 22 Mockingbird – add topsoil and bushes to back area behind unit – approved 15 waivers were submitted from owners to seal coat driveway – approved
Pat presented update of her letter draft which she edited with feedback from Karen and Joe. Letter will be sent out to the community.
 Social Activities Committee – Greg June 27 Social Activities Committee – all scheduled programs to date continue to be successful and enjoyed by attendees – Games Night, Recipe Swap, Pool & Shuffle Board, Cards & Games, Book Club and Garden Club- Ice Cream Social was held in Community Center on June 24th. Many came and enjoyed the time to socialize. The Garden Club, with the help of several community members, cleaned up the Gazebo area vegetation to approve its appearance and several new plants were added. On June 29th there was a tour of our community's gardens. About 20 community members participated. All enjoyed the gardens and refreshments at the community center.

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	Upcoming events being planned include: Indoor/Outdoor Block Party with DJ on August 12 th Organizational meeting July 20 th at 6:30 PM in Community Center for Sept 9 Community Picnic; Halloween Party October 28 th ; Veterans Day service with refreshments on November 11. More information to come for these events as the time approaches. Next meeting for the committee is July 18 th at 6:30 PM in the Community Center
10)Old Business	 Joe reported that bridge inspection has been delayed due to scheduling problems at Killingly Engineering. It was intended to have inspection done early spring before weeds and poison ivy growth progressed under the bridge. Plan now is to do inspection in late fall.
11) New Business	 Karen explained Garden Club's plans to do spruce up of Gazebo – wash and paint – and some supplies will be needed. Greg made motion to purchase paint, and cleaning solution needed for spruce up Karen 2nd motion All approved
12) Next board Meeting	 July 27, 2023 Community Meeting at 6:30 PM August 10, 2023 Exec board Meeting at 10 AM
13) Community Member Input	 Ron Sabatos stated his concern regarding the waiver for seal coating driveways and the fact that the waiver makes the owner forever responsible for doing it since the Board's current maintenance policy for driveways does not include periodic seal coating. After an extended dissuasion on this subject, the Board stated that, if in the future the Board decided to make seal coating driveways a maintenance policy, past waivers approved for driveaway seal coating would no longer apply going forward. Donna Leon also stated based on research she has done; she expected the association to be seal coating driveways as a recommended maintenance practice. Again, the Board stated that at the present time the Board is not doing driveway seal coating as maintenance policy. The owner decides whether or not he wants to pay to have the driveway seal coated. Chris Norman stated, although he recognized it was the Board's option to set maintenance policy, he supported the opinion of other owners that the Board should do driveway seal coating as a maintenance policy. Chris Norman noted that the gutter collector drains behind 27 and 29 Mockingbird seem to be plugged because the downspouts are backing up and spilling onto the grass. Bill will check the drains.

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14)Hearing 5 Starling Joist Repair	• Shirley and Bradley Gerrish requested this hearing to dispute decision of the Board on June 8, 2023 to hold them liable for payment for repairs done to fix a rotted header joist at end of the sunroom, a common element, based on the deterioration being uncovered when existing deck was removed.
Amended as stated at August 10 Board meeting	The Gerrish's read into the record the hearing request that they had submitted along with a detailed description prepared by their contractor Tyler Hill, of how rotted joist was revealed and the specific repairs that were made. Joe read into the record his position supporting the Gerrish's claim. Pat read into the record the email correspondence she had with our attorney asking for his opinion how the waiver could be interpreted for the joist deterioration that was found. Pat then read subsequent comments from follow up phone call with attorney where he gave his opinion and recommendation on how the waiver could be interpreted.
	After extensive discussion on the issue, Joe made a motion to reconsider the Boards July 8 decision and the Association accept responsibility to pay for the repairs to the header joist on 5 Stirling. Karen 2 nd motion. Vote: Yes – Joe Karen, Bill, Greg, Dave Motion approved; Association will issue reimbursement check to Gerrish's for \$351. File with documents read into record and copy of video of hearing will be kept in Board file cabinet.
15) Adjourn	Pat adjourned the meeting at 12:07 PM

Attachment: June M&R Tracking Report

MASTER Maintenance / Repairs list

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Category	DOOR BACK	DECK	BASEMENT	WINDOW UNIT	OUTSIDE FAUCET	SIDING VINYL	WINDOW UNIT	WINDOW UNIT	LANDSCAPE	WINDOW UNIT	WINDOW UNIT	DECK	SOFFIT	LANDSCAPE	WINDOW UNIT	OUTSIDE FAUCET	GUTTER & DOWNSPOUTS	GUTTER & DOWNSPOUTS	OUTSIDE FAUCET	DECK	GUTTER & DOWNSPOUTS	DOOR BACK	WINDOW UNIT	7 - July 2023- MR TRACKING
Date completed			6/13/2023		6/30/2023			6/30/2023				7/8/2023	5/30/2023				6/13/2023	6/13/2023	6/23/2023	6/27/2023	7/8/2023	7/8/2023		
Status	Had another contractor look at this issue, he wants to start from scratch using a hose. We need to wait till summer to proceed.	discussion requiredprivacy panels installed are causing some of the issues.	Placed Hydraulic cement around patio area	slocomb teck will be here on 07/20 with the pins	to Dave O	found shutter in woodsit is damaged, will need replacement in spring	to Tim o7/12	waiting for Slocomb contractor			to Tim o7/12	replaced boards last month and stained	He removed a couple birds and filled in the two areas		to Tim 07/12		unclogged gutter	reattached gutter	Dave O fixed the spigot	Dave O refastened posts	installed gutter and downspout	sprayed with silicone/ also going to have Tim check it	to Tim 07/12	
<u>Date</u> Requested	of Sam egrettus eastleg tastriten	5/30/2022	8/29/2022	11/2/2022	12/4/2022	2/3/2023	5/1/2023	4/14/2023	4/25/2023	5/9/2023	5/9/2023	5/17/2023	5/10/2023	5/19/2023	6/6/2023	6/12/2023	6/7/2023	6/12/2023	6/13/2023	6/22/2023	6/22/2023	6/22/2023	7/4/2023	1 of 3
Maintenance / Request	leak around her cellar french doors	deck needs repairs and restained	water in basement door	guide pins on windows broken	outside spigot not working	shutter came off shed	sunroom window seal failure	window is stuck	tree, on edge of woods, fell into woods leaving hole	screen repair	slider window seal failure	couple of rotted deck boards replaced and need to be stained	piece of soffit fell off and another loose	overseed lawn	window seal failure in sunroom	rear spigot leaking in cellar	gutter clogged	gutter falling off garage	outside spigot leaking	deck posts loose	water in basement from water running off bump out	slider very hard to slide	2 window seal failure	
Unit	EAGLE	RANCH	EAGLE	EAGLE	RANCH		RANCH	EAGLE	EAGLE	EAGLE	RANCH	RANCH	RANCH	RANCH	RANCH	RANCH	EAGLE	RANCH	RANCH	RANCH	RANCH	RANCH	RANCH	
Address	80 Mockingbird	13 oriole	19 mockingbird	6 grouse	1 snowbird	18 mockingbird	3 oriole	10skylark	2 starling	5 grouse	6 oriole	5 mockingbird	3 owls nest	9 oriole	11 oriole	6 starling	79 mockingbird	6 starling	11 oriole	3 owls nest	2 owls nest	13 snowbird	4 owls nest	7/16/2023

7 - July 2023 - MR TRACKING

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Address	Unit	Maintenance / Request	<u>Date</u> Requested	<u>Status</u>	<u>Date</u> completed	Category
4 owls nest	RANCH	clean gutter	7/4/2023	need to discussthere are gutter guards on guttersassociation installed??		GUTTER & DOWNSPOUTS
7 mockingbird	RANCH	front outside spigot split and leaking	quecoso	Dave O replaced spigot	7/8/2023	OUTSIDE FAUCET
1 snowbird	RANCH	front and back spigots not working	in allamac, to emba	Dave O replaced both spigots	6/30/2023	OUTSIDE FAUCET
1 snowbird	RANCH	driveway drain clogged	6/30/2023	cleaned out driveway drain	7/8/2023	
community ctr		damaged shade	7/8/2023	replaced damaged shade and installed one in the kitchen	7/9/2023	WINDOW UNIT
entrance		relocate Pvt community sign and installed no parking signs	6/8/2023	relocated pvt community sign and installed no parking signs	5/21/2023	MISELLANIOUS
		DECKS THAT NEED STAINING AFTER POWERWASHING				
e grouse		stain deck		\$ 475.0	100	
4 starling		stain deck		\$515.00		
6 snowbird		stain deck		\$475.00		
7 snowbird		stain deck		\$555.00 need to replace a section of handrail	7/4/2023	DECK
8 snowbird		stain deck		\$500.00		
11 snowbird		stain deck		\$200.00		
12 snowbird		stain deck		\$200.00		
9 oriole	RANCH	stain deck		approved by board	6/12/2023	DECK
12 oriole	RANCH	stain deck		approved by board	6/7/2023	DECK
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		JOES LIST (III Order)				
4 grouse	EAGLE	powerwash w 12x12 pt				POWER WASH UNIT
7 grouse	EAGLE	powerwash w 10x10 trex	Request			POWER WASH UNIT
8 grouse	ROBIN	powerwash w 12x12 pt				POWER WASH UNIT
9 grouse	CARDINAL	powerwash w 10x10 pt				POWER WASH UNIT
6 skylark		powerwash w 10x12pt	4/30/2023	request		
74mockingbird	CARDINAL	powerwash w 10x10 trex	4/30/2023	request		POWER WASH UNIT
76 mockingbird		powerwash w 10x10 trex		request		

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1 oriole	CARDINAL	powerwash w 12x12 trex				POWER WASH UNIT
3 oriole		powerwash w 12x14pt				
13 oriole	RANCH	powerwash w 12x16 pt		** do not do until we discuss deck issue**		POWER WASH UNIT
2 owls nest						
3 owls nest						
4 owls nest						
9 snowbird		powerwash w 10x10 pt				
10 snowbird	RANCH	powerwash w 12x12 pt				POWER WASH UNIT
14 snowbird	RANCH	powerwash w 4x4 pt				POWER WASH UNIT
19 mockingbird	EAGLE	powerwash w 12x12 trex				POWER WASH UNIT
22 mockingbird	EAGLE	powerwash w 10x13 trex				POWER WASH UNIT
24 mockingbird	CARDINAL	powerwash				POWER WASH UNIT
3 starling	RANCH	powerwash				POWER WASH UNIT
		SEPARATE				
		REQUESTS				
1 starling	EAGLE	powerwash w trex deck	5/17/2023			POWER WASH UNIT
4 owls nest	RANCH	powerwash	7/4/2023			POWER WASH UNIT
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