

## Tropics Residents' Club

### General Meeting

April 9, 2015

1. **The meeting was called to order by President Dave Hughes at the Club House at 7:02 pm**
2. **All board members were present except Carlos who was excused**
3. **A quorum of General members were present**
4. **The Pledge of Allegiance was Recited**
5. **Guest Speakers:**
  - a. The Meeting was turn over to Mark Evenoff, Redevelopment Manager for the City of Union City. He discussed the Green Waste issue. Illegal dumping is the main problem and needs to be addressed. He also brought up the partial tax for fire/police. Tropics has not paid for 10 years and the city needs to generate money for these services. No decision has been made.
  - b. Tom Salinar from Synergy. They are part of PG&E, but sub contracted out. We have been paying a surcharge to PG&E for years. This money is for Synergy to help us become more energy efficient. They asked for permission to solicit in the park to check AC units. Stephanie Butler moved to lift the solicitation rule for Synergy and Paulette Washington seconded the motion. The motion carried.
6. **Minutes:**
  - a. General Membership meeting, March 12, were read and approved.
  - b. Board meeting for April 2, were read and approved.
7. **Treasurers' Report:**
  - a. Was read and approved.
8. **Correspondence:**
  - a. Barbara Garcia read her letter to the Board. She is resigning as a ticket seller.
  - b. Barry Lependorf brought up that a letter had been put in the mail box, but not read. Richard said he had seen no letter.
9. **Management report:**
  - a. Kathy gave the report. She introduced the new Security person, Mark Rego. He will be available from 10 pm to 6 am Starting May 1st
  - b. Debbie Lependorf brought up if the Board **had asked the office**, it had not. Dave pointed out that the General Membership had just voted yes.
10. **Old and Unfinished Business:**
  - a. **Bylaws:** Richard said we had a board meeting right before this meeting. The board voted to table the bylaws until next year.
    - i. A lively discussion followed.
    - ii. Larry Cornell moved that the General membership vote on the Bylaw changes. Barry Lependorf seconded the motion. A discussion followed.
    - iii. A vote was taken. 13 people favored the bylaws changes. 12 people voted against the changes. The motion Carried. The bylaws will be signed later. The new Bylaws are in effect.
    - iv. A nominating committee was selected by the President. The committee is Stephanie Butler, Vickie Massy, and Peg Pollock

- b. **Microphones:** 4 Mics are working and 4 speakers
- c. **Lighting:** Turned over to Karen Shrum
- d. **Hot Water:** New commercial tank for club house installed. Jim will work on hot water in B-Bug
- e. **Wish List:**
  - i. Jerry Garcia suggested that a Fence should put up along the creek on Palm
  - ii. Stephanie Butler suggested more benches for the gazebo area

**11. New Business: None**

**12. Committee and clubs report:**

- a. **Bingo:** New ads out and some new people attending. Barry Lependorf asked about a March financial report. Betty had not given the new committee a report
- b. **Senior Citizens:** Stephanie Butler attended the last meeting.
- c. **Disaster Preparedness:** Need Block Captains and Mock Drill May 17
- d. **Tropics Travelers:** Going to Cache Creek May 18. Monterey Bay in August. No financial report.
- e. **Snack Bar:** A dinner on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the Month
- f. **Spring Chickens:** Get out of bed and join them.
- g. **B-Bug:** Drivers Safety

**13. Upcoming Events:**

- a. **Easter Brunch this Saturday**
- b. **Casino Night:** April 24, Barbara in charge of food and gifts
- c. **Mother's Day Breakfast:** Resident Mothers eat free, no ticket needed
- d. **Hawaiian Night: Rick Henry:** Tickets are available. May 23, Labor day Week-end. Hula Dancers
- e. **Flea Market:** Jerry Garcia – New signs being made. June 6 & 7. Start selling tables after April 13.

**14. Other Business:**

- a. Lita Medrano brought up the concern of drug dealing in the park she read in the Breeze. Dave explained what has been done. He said it had been turned over to Karen Schum, B&C.
- b. Jerry Garcia emphasized that everything needs to be in writing.
- c. Larry Cornell brought up the Rewards cards. Told see Richard

**15. Art Lipton moved to adjourn and Richard seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:58 pm**

**Submitted by Richard Stoll, Secretary**

Approved 05/14/15

