

Bayshore Gardens Recreation District
Board of Trustees Work Session Meeting Minutes
November 6, 2019 @ 7:00 PM

Trustees present: Jim Frost, Dan Rawlinson, Steve Watkins, Terry Zimmerly, Sharon Denson, Barbara Susdorf, Belle Baxter, Thom Williams and Sandy McCarthy.
Audience members: Barbara Greenberg and Alan Riga

The pledge to the flag was recited and the meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m.

Jim stated that he needed to cure the emergency meeting held on October 28, 2019 for the purpose of discussing the electrical for the marina due to limited time for proper notice. A trustee advised that this would need to be done at the Board of Trustees meeting to be held on November 19th.

There was discussion regarding a possible line of credit that our bank, Fifth Third can offer the District which would involve an accessible amount of \$100,000. This money would only be used when necessary and you don't pay for what you don't use. Due to the reserves being depleted for the marina project and hall renovation, we should have an emergency fund available if we were to have unexpected issues come up. BB&T was also contacted however they indicated that they do not lend to Special Taxing Districts. The Board would like more information and see offers from additional lenders.

Background checks for board candidates was suggested. There was discussion that the District should not incur background check fees until someone is a board member, however then that defeats the purpose of a background check. The purpose would be to eliminate anyone who had a criminal record, as they would not be eligible to be on the board. The board concluded that background checks would not be a good idea.

Jim informed the board that is it common to have a Mission Statement for the District which communicates the organization's purpose and direction to the residents. He asked the board members to think about it and come up with some ideas.

The board members were reminded about candidate night and asked to come up with questions to pose to the potential candidates. The audience members will also have the opportunity to ask questions.

Jim advised the board that due to the extension of the screen porch the District will need to have a referendum election because the projected cost is \$40,000 which exceeds our Charter amount of \$25,000. In order to meet the deadline to add this to the March ballot, we must have the resolution done and to the Supervisor of Elections office by December 10th. Jodie will draft the resolution for the board members to sign and get to the election's office in time. By adding this to the scheduled election in March, it saves the District money by not having to have an election.

The discussion regarding sun decks over the pool baths was tabled at this time.

Trustee Denson brought up a Motion for a public record policy. Jim asked if there was a problem with response time or anything other problems regarding public records requests. Sharon stated that none she was aware of but that the District did not have a public records policy. Thom asked why a policy was being brought forward when the board disbanded the Policy and Procedure Committee. Sharon stated she could bring any policy to the board as a trustee. Boards members stated that this policy was not necessary.

Jim adjourned the meeting at 8:50 p.m.