



July 8, 2019  
TLIA BOARD MEETING

**Approved TLIA Board Meeting Minutes July 8, 2019**

**Board Members:** Steve Burgoon, Tom Kuna, Fran Steffen, Kristi Nash, John Yancey, Mitch Coulter, Mary Magro

**Apologies:** Kevin Middleditch, Mike Mitchell

**Committee Reps:** Mark Handley, Julie Losinski, Pat Covek, Mary Kay Bolger, Lee Johnson, Whitney Bruni

**Guests:** Jim Beck, Jordan Weiner

**Call to Order**

**Steve Burgoon**

Steve Burgoon called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

**President's Report**

**Steve Burgoon**

1. Tennis Courts – Attachment A for discussion

**Approval of June TLIA Meeting Minutes:** Motion to approve Fran Steffen Second: Mike Mitchell

All in favor: 7 Ayes, Nays 0

**Committee Reports**

1. Financial Committee Report (attached) Fran Steffen and Tom Kuna
  - a. Expenses - Copies of the May 2019 Financials are attached
    - i. Expenses continue to increase with early summer spending for lake and grounds maintenance, events, beach, and other committee expenses. All items have been budgeted accordingly.
    - ii. A draft audit report has been received by the Finance Committee and is currently under review. Once the review is completed, the report will be presented to the Board. The tax returns have been extended to September 15, 2019. Once the audit report is finalized the tax returns will be filed.
    - iii. Update report in August TLIA Board meeting.
  - b. Revenue – Report included in the Financial report.
2. Beach Mary Magro/Andy Milne
  - a. Complaints about the tents left on the beach overnight
  - b. 3 new swings on the beach
  - c. Policies need to be put in place for pop up tents
  - d. An AED will be purchased for the beach and Rest Island access

### 3. Communications

Mary Kay Bolger

- a. The monthly newsletter was sent electronically on 6/29/19; It was posted it on the website on 6/29/19; It was sent to the printers and mailed out around 6/28. The balance of the printed newsletters should be in the Village Hall.
- b. 25 email blasts were sent this month - 4 for Youth, 16 for Events, 1 for Grounds, 1 for Lake, 1 for Member Services, 1 for Tennis and 1 for Communications
- c. Invoices and checks have been forwarded to the correct parties for payment/receipts.
- d. Send all Communications requests to the Communications mailbox.
- e. Communications should send out the push notifications to the users.

### 4. Events

Julie Losinski

- a. Quick summary of 4th Activities
- b. Start discussing September event and October Chili Cookoff (dates to be determined)
- c. Add Big Night to the calendar, November 1
- d. From the Events Committee, thank you to the TLIA Board and the TLIA committees for all the support with the 4th Activities.
- e. Cash deposits total \$23,703.

### 5. Grounds General

John Yancey

- a. Trees:
  - i. this spring we did the root feeding on the grand oak on rest island. It seems to have survived another July 4th
  - ii. large silver maple in Bays Park split and fell the right way on the 3rd
  - iii. Will get two estimates to remove
  - iv. One has come in already for 3,400.00 including stump removal. We will get quotes for putting in cables in the other large maples to help prevent this from happening with those trees
  - v. Bays Park trees need to get an assessment of the other trees to see what the viability is
- b. Parks:
  - i. all parks were weeded prior to the holiday and look great.
  - ii. heavy rain is affecting drainage in soccer field and will be addressed on a larger scale in future
- c. Grounds general:
  - i. new electric service was completed supplying rest and toy island in the nick of time for the 4th. Electric to the bridge for water mover will be completed this week. Toy island is phase two in future.
  - ii. bridge will be completed in July by Drew Mack after electric is installed.
  - iii. A note of thanks to Steve Burgoon and Tony Cantieri: For getting the permits needed from the village and the new electric inspected and approved
  - iv. Thanks also to Pat Covek and her beautiful work on our beds and bridges.
  - v. Assess Rest Island for aeration requirements and any grounds restoration of the island
  - vi. Research improving cell reception at the islands

6. Grounds Beautification Pat Covek
- a. Thanks for the work and beautiful gardens the beautification grounds committee has planted
  - b. Anyone interested in helping, we are always looking for volunteers

7. Lake Mitch Coulter
- a. Lake Treatment updates:
    - i. Overall the sentiment is good that the lake is looking well prepared for the July 4th holiday festivities. A few outstanding items from observation:
    - ii. Duckweed in the channel-
    - iii. Some algae around the bridge
    - iv. Lilies - treatment begins in August. Some flowers starting to show up. Treatment runs through September.
    - v. Update to Kevin on 7/2 and he will be out again to service the lake and continue to keep an eye on things.
  - b. No trespassing signs-hoping to have them up by Wednesday, 7/10 - additional sign going in by the boat launch on the channel.
  - c. Water mover-added in a whole new pole and box, running a line to the bridge.
  - d. Judd spoke with the electrician yesterday and confirmed that a box will be going in on the bridge and the water mover will be installed as soon as the work is completed.
  - e. New Member-Welcome Whitney Bruni as an official member of the Lake Committee

8. Long Range Planning Mark Handley
- a. cloud storage via pCloud is up and running; 621 mb uploaded to date
  - b. completed data download from phone app to Kevin Middleditch for printed directory
  - c. met with Chrissie Mena from Village board to review how data is entered and maintained in phone app
  - d. have put together agenda, prospective attendees with John Yancey for a meeting third week of July to review long range plan draft, get additional input, reality check on action items
  - e. Next steps
    - i. continue scanning and uploading documents to cloud as time allows
    - ii. meet in July to review draft long-range plan
    - iii. ready to upload data to the new storage areas

9. Member Services Kevin Middleditch
- a. Boat decal and beach token distribution is ongoing, and the most current assignment list is attached.
  - b. Have been trading emails with Chrissie Mena and we are working on scheduling a meeting to coordinate communication efforts with the Tower Lakes Village Board and TLIA to our residents. Looking to have this scheduled before 7/15.

10. Rain Garden Andy Hay
- a. Wagner Rain Garden is completed and was officially anointed July 4, 2:15 p.m.

11. Tennis

Pat Covek

- a. We are mid-way through our season—youth and adult tennis have three weeks left.
- b. Our 4th of July party was a great success and volleyball as well —thanks to all the helpers including Steve Burgoon and Jeff Dehnert
- c. Rules and Regulations signs have been posted on the tennis courts for everyone to read
- d. We will be sending out an email for Labor Day around the middle of August

12. Youth

Whitney Bruni

- a. The campout had to be cancelled. We tried to reschedule but this weather has been so incredibly unpredictable.
- b. Holi was a success despite the forecast. Hoping to continue the tradition.
- c. Family Bingo Night- July 3rd.
- d. We had our first Kindergarten meetup and had 9 participants
- e. Upcoming events include August 17th Back to school water slides and ice cream at the soccer field.
- f. August 18th Kindergarten meetup at Aram park
- g. Family Campout is September 13th.

13. Old Business - None

14. New Business - None

15. Public Comments/Discussion - None

**Motion to adjourn the meeting: Tom Kuna**

Second: Mary Magro

All in favor: Ayes 7, Nays 0

Meeting adjourned, time 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristi Nash

Attachment A

From: Patricia Covek

To: TLIA Board, Steve Burgoon, TLIA

Sent: June 16, 2019 at 3:38 PM

Subject: Tennis Courts

On June 2nd I received an email from Brett Aprati requesting to reserve the tennis courts Friday night, June 7th from 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM. I called him back as per his request, explained all the rules; that we do not reserve the courts for private parties, etc. He assured me that there would be no children under the age of six present and this was a one-time event. I heard later that there were children on the court, but I did not worry because of his remarks that this would only be one time. They did clean up the area and left it in good condition. So, I do not think Brett was at fault for what happened this week (he was always cooperative and courteous). I think his friends took it to another level. June 14th: I received a call from a pickle ball player saying this was the 2nd Friday night he went to play on the courts and there

was a large party with children all over the place (on the courts, running between cars, etc.). There were at least 30 people there. I went to the courts and talked to Brett and he requested the children be moved off the courts. The grill was going and there were about 15 adults and around 20-25 kids present. There was a group of young people across the street playing volleyball that I did not check their identities; I assumed they were all Tower Lakers. I left and returned at 8:30 PM to check the courts for the morning lesson. As I would be working the dog show all Saturday, I would not have time to check in the morning to make sure they were clean and playable. I was shocked when I returned that there seemed to be even more kids and people all over the place. Most of them looked like they were 6 years old or younger. I said nothing but pulled into a spot by the Port-o-Potty to take pictures to show to the Board when two men approached me and were very hostile. One was even nastier than the other. They were fully looking for an altercation, which I did not oblige them with. They demanded to know who I was and what I was doing there. One was a Mr. Web(b)er who said he was just annexed into Tower Lakes Village. The other said he was related to somebody here. I suggested they come to the next Board meeting and register their complaints against our rules. I also said many times I would be happy to work with them if they had any suggestions or requests for the Tennis Committee. I also offered them to join the Tennis Committee. I was told they were not interested in organized tennis, etc. Many of them are not tennis or pickle players. They felt that this was a nice place to hold their Friday night get-together for them and their children to get to know one another. They felt that the tennis court was a safe place for their children and since the volleyball courts were in use, the kids had no place to play but the tennis courts. Everything I said seemed to fall on deaf ears. They were only interested in looking for a fight, which I did not oblige them with. It started to rain. I did not get out of my car. I just left. As I left, it was almost 9:00 and it started to rain. They got into their cars and somebody yelled "same time next week, only bigger and better". Conclusion: 1. I told them that there were tennis rules and that they had received them in the mail earlier in the week. 2. I apologized for not having a sign with the rules displayed for their reading convenience. 3. I offered them a voice in our program. 4. I offered to set up a Friday and Saturday night 5 until dusk program of mixed doubles for all levels for tennis and pickle. 5. They were only interested in using the courts as a party area to get to know each other even though I suggested other alternatives. They felt the tennis courts were safer for their kids. 6. I see no reason that I had to be subjected to this abuse by people who were plainly not interested in abiding by TLIA sanctioned rules. Suggestions: 1. We relocate the grill on East Lakeshore Dr. on the way to Beach Island to Iverson Park. 2. We erect a gazebo with additional tables and benches at Iverson Park. 3. We invest in bocce ball/ corn hole/bags / badminton and a knock container to house our equipment, etc. This area could be used for many purposes (for the ladies during the day, birthday parties for children, and for any other social events that TLIA seems deemable). I spoke to Brad Merkle and he thinks this would be feasible for under \$5,000. Thank you for your attention. Pat Covek - Tennis Chairman