

**Patty Turner Center  
Members' Council  
Minutes of the April 14, 2023, Meeting**

**Welcome & Call to Order:** Vice President Lorrain Jette, standing in for President Leo Carter, called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

**Council Members in attendance:** Leo Carter, Lorraine Clark, Sharon Harris, Lorraine Jette, John Maxson, Carol Mellem, Sid Moore, Dani Robinson, Jane Smith, Hermin Velazquez\*, Paul Ward, Mike Zelski. **\*Not Present**

**Administration in attendance:** David Shamrock, PTC Manager, Nicole Britz, PTC Program Supervisor, and Laura McCarty, Program Manager for the Deerfield Park District.

**Approval of Minutes & Financial Reports:**

- The March 16, 2023, minutes were approved.
- Jane Smith announced a current balance of \$31,822.81 after minor expenses and annual Deerfield Golf handicap transactions.
- Paul Ward for Sid Moore reported that the PTC Senior Men's Deerfield Golf League season was off and running beginning April 3rd.

**President's Report:**

- Lorraine Jette, selected by the PTC as their 2023 Super Senior for her years of service as a volunteer for the Deerfield community, was honored at a special luncheon and awards program held at North Shore Senior Center, Thursday, March 30, 2023. Lorraine displayed her pin and certificate award. Once again, congratulations, Lorraine!
- David S. said issues with the PTC projector and audio systems have been resolved.
- PTC open house is May 3<sup>rd</sup> from 5:30 – 7:30 pm, with light refreshments and appetizers served.

- David S. said in person attendance at the Tuesday Members' Club is increasing and Zoom head count declined to about four members the last meeting. Zoom is complicated for some presenters to operate and there is a lot of behind-the-scenes work. The benefit to retain Zoom versus PTC personnel operational cost and time is an issue. Some council members support giving a heads up Zoom end date to participating members. It was pointed out that some members may have no other way to participate. Paul and Carol suggested phone conference call methods be considered. Paul suggested appointing a subcommittee to focus on Zoom proposals. We're to give the issue more thought and revisit the topic next meeting.

#### **Membership Report: David Shamrock –**

- PTC has acquired 34 new members YTD. The annual 2023 goal is 130.
- Spring Open House at PTC is a new member marketing effort May 3<sup>rd</sup> from 5:30 – 7:30. Council presence is requested.
- David S. said the PTC will be 20 years old this fall. We'll have a big event celebration.

#### **PTC Programs & Events in March in review: Nicole Britz -**

- The programs as listed in the Members' Council Meeting Agenda were great events and well attended. The "Soup and Sandwich Day" had 35 and keeps growing. The "Spring Band Concert" group has crafted their skills and keep getting better. The "Chicago Showcase with Ronnie Rice" with 105 attendees is a big event. Ronnie Rice drives marketing and draws unfamiliar people from many area locations. A police presence was provided for safety and security.

#### **PTC Programs & Events in April highlights: Nicole Britz –**

- Caruso Theater had a ribbon cutting for the renovated theater March 14<sup>th</sup>.
- April 20<sup>th</sup> is a date correction for the "Hummers and Strummers" event.
- David S. emphasized "Volunteer Appreciation Night" held Wednesday April 19<sup>th</sup>, and is a DPD event.

- Nicole announced upcoming new fall programs that'll feature memoir writing and mediation workshops for seniors.
- See the April 2023 Members' Council Meeting Agenda for all other April and May Programs and Events.

**Closing Comments:**

**Laura McCarty –**

- Jeff Nehila, DPD director, is retiring June 2<sup>nd</sup>. New selections will begin.
- Summer camp and life guard staff hiring is ongoing. Help to acquire staff is appreciated.
- There are matinée and evening performances at Caruso theater.
- Construction at Jewett Community Center begins in the fall.

**David Shamrock –**

- PTC Open House invitations for May 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 5:30 pm will be sent out to the Deerfield community.

**Lorraine Jette –**

- Lorraine ended on a comment for the day: "Often it is the small steps, not the giant leaps that bring about the most lasting change."

**Adjournment:** The meeting ended at 10:00 am.

**Next Members' Council Meeting:** Thursday, May 11, 2023, at 9:00 am.

**Minutes submitted by:** Mike Zelski for John Maxson, Secretary, 04/19/2023.