

**Patty Turner Center**  
Members' Council  
Minutes of the July 13, 2023, Meeting

I. Welcome & Call to Order

- The meeting was brought to order by Chair Leo Carter at 9:00 a.m.
- The following were present: Leo Carter, Lorraine Clark, Sharon Harris, John Maxson, Carol Mellem, Sid Moore, Dani Robinson, Jane Smith, Hermin Velazquez, Paul Ward, and Mike Zelski. David Shamrock, Nicole Britz, and Laura McCarty represented the Deerfield Park District.
- The following was absent: Lorraine Jetté

II. Approval of Minutes & Financial Report

- Minutes of the June 8, 2023, meeting were presented and unanimously approved without changes (Motion: D. Robinson, Second: P. Ward).
- June Financial Report: J. Smith reported that the current balance in the Members' Council Treasury is \$29,216.99. The Treasurer's Report was unanimously approved. (Motion: H. Velazquez, Second: D. Robinson)
- Members Golf League Update: S. Moore reported on upcoming golf events, including the Four Club Tournament on July 27<sup>th</sup> and the Yellow Ball Tournament on August 24<sup>th</sup>. He showed samples of the custom monogrammed yellow balls that will be used in the Yellow Ball Tournament. Plans are already underway for the Club Championship Tournament and banquet in September.
- D. Shamrock reported that a certificate of appreciation was presented to Steve Jackson recognizing his important contribution to the Patty Turner Center by reestablishing the Hummers & Strummers. The congratulatory recognition was presented by J. Maxson at a meeting of the Members Club.

III. President's Report

- L. Carter welcomed everyone to the meeting and reported that he had heard from L. Jetté, who is recuperating from surgery and will have to miss the meeting. The flower arrangement sent to Lorraine by the Members' Club was received and is very much appreciated. L. Clark reported that Barry is doing well after spending five days in the hospital.
- L. Carter called on D. Shamrock, manager of the Patty Turner Center, to summarize recent events. D. Shamrock went on to report that Zoom coverage of meetings of the Members Club has been discontinued with minimal concern shown by members. He also reported that the Patty Turner Center is currently looking at Deerfield Park District policies to ensure compliance. "We are

looking at things we haven't seen before." The group discussed certification for safe gatherings and medical emergency preparedness.

#### IV. Membership

- D. Shamrock reported that active membership totals 610 members with 62 new members arriving so far this year. The goal for 2023 is 130 new members.
- D. Shamrock reported that 10 new members were added during June.

#### V. PTC June Programming Highlights

- D. Shamrock reported that Cornhole has been introduced and is generating some excitement. Coffee & Conversation on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Fridays has enjoyed strong attendance. "The Legends of Sun" concert and dance on June 21 was a huge success. The "Drive In, Dine In Movie" and Outdoor BBQ Grille on June 29<sup>th</sup>, the Hummers & Strummers "Stars and Stripes Root Beer Soda Blast" on June 30, and the "Red, White, and Swing" Big Band Sound of Deerfield concert on July 2 were all successful events attracting large crowds.

#### VI. Upcoming in July and August

- N. Britz reported that the art workshop and the kayak tour were cancelled due to insufficient participation and poor weather respectively.
- N. Britz reported that the "Creation of Gypsy" (former women's club) with Charles Troy on July 26<sup>th</sup>, the "Drive In, Dine in Movie" on July 27<sup>th</sup>, "Betty the Pan Am Stewardess" portrayed by Leslie Goddard on August 9<sup>th</sup>, "Elmstock II with North Shore Line" on August 16<sup>th</sup>, Sunday Morning Meditation on August 20<sup>th</sup>, and "Introduction to Square Dancing" on August 30<sup>th</sup> are all anticipated.
- N. Britz reported that two additional events are in the planning stages. A group of 15 string students from Deerfield High School under the direction of Ron Valore will be visiting the Patty Turner Center for a concert on August 11. In addition, Debra Levie, who has presented art programs at the Patty Turner Center in the past, will lead a trip to the Art Institute on August 14<sup>th</sup> that will highlight the new Van Gogh exhibit.

#### VII. Closing Comments

- L. McCarty reported that Park District summer operations are up and going strong. She focused on the success of July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration activities and free pool days. She reported that the on-line registration process for Park District activities, which was reported by S. Harris as being difficult to use and sometimes inoperable, is being looked at with an eye toward making repairs and improvements.

- D. Shamrock reported that plans are underway for the Patty Turner Center's Twenty-Year Celebration. This will be observed on September 27. He requested ideas that would make the event extra special.
- The President's Closing One Liner for the Day: "Do something today that your future self will thank you for."

The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by John Maxson, Secretary, July 27, 2023.