

September 8, 2019

Meeting Notes

Attending

Daine Wright (Meeting led by Daine)

Becky Pracheil

Mariza Gonzalez

Laura Campbell

Chris Pracheil

Josh Munyon

Andrew Campbell

Ann Barker

Juana Barker

Paul Frymier

Greg Martin

Chris Woodcock

Ewa Woodcock

Suzanne Koon

Tim Koon

Reports

Membership and Volunteers (reported by Laura Campbell):

- There were 63 memberships for the 2019 season. This was the second highest number of memberships in the last decade (66 memberships in 2017).
- Members visited the pool 2,389 times this summer.
- There were 346 recorded guests this summer.
- July was the busiest month, making up 30% of the member visits.
- At least 39 individuals volunteered throughout the season, most of which contributed on a recurring basis.
- Volunteers helped with Spring park cleanup, pool painting, furniture cleaning, coping repairs, daily clean-up, chemical testing, party planning, flyer delivery, mowing, and landscaping. The Pool Board is so grateful for the hard work of all the volunteers. It would be impossible to keep everything maintained without the efforts of all involved.

Landscaping Committee (reported by Becky Pracheil):

- The Pool Board took on responsibility for maintaining the park.

- 8 individuals volunteered to help maintain landscaping. Duties included mowing/weed eating within the pool fence and the perimeter weekly, pruning the rose bushes and butterfly bush, weeding the flower beds and watering/pruning the potted plants as needed, and spraying roundup/cutting down brush on the hillsides around the pool and basketball court.
- 1 individual donated/planted flowers in the flower pots.
- Kevin Zinn was hired to mow/weed eat the park on a biweekly basis.

Maintenance/Chemical Committee (reported by Daine Wright):

- The maintenance of the pool has been good this year.
- An incident of cloudiness at Fourth of July was an issue. The problem was not addressed immediately because of confusion over who was supposed to fix it. Once everyone got on the same page, the problem was remedied.
- To help alleviate confusion and allow all members to help at anytime, an app was created to log and communicate all actions at the pool. Tests, additions, and pump adjustments are shared with all members and all members can look the logs up on demand.

Financial Report (reported by Mariza Gonzalez):

- For 2019 through September 8, 2019:

Total Expenses:	\$11,6,34.86
Total Income:	\$17,928.37
Savings through 9/8/19	\$6,293.51
Total in Bank Account	\$18,849

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Upcoming Projects and Needs (reported by Daine Wright):

- New Coping--Work is estimated to be between \$20,000-\$25,000. Ideally, work will start in Spring of 2020.
- New Cover--A new pool cover is estimated to be \$3,000. This will be needed by Fall of 2020.
- Sponsorship Member Opportunities are available. For donation levels, see: <https://timbercrestneighborhood.org/content/become-sponsor-member>
- New 2020 Committees needed--The Pool Board is in need of members willing to assist with the following projects for next pool season: Swim Lessons and Website Design. If anyone has other areas of interest or ideas for the pool, please email the Pool Board.

Discussion

- Chris Woodcock has offered lily bulbs for the pool bank landscaping. If possible, these will be installed either during the Fall or Spring park cleanup.
- Chris Pracheil asked if the coping estimates would include a trough drain. This would help limit the amount of water that runs across the pool deck, and extend the life of the existing concrete. If it is affordable, this will be included. At the very least, the plan will be to include an expansion joint around the coping perimeter.

- Chris Woodcock suggested the possibility of volunteers handling the demolition portion of the new coping in order to minimize the total cost of the project. This idea will be discussed further as planning gets underway. Chris can also reach out to several general contractors that may be interested in providing an estimate for the work.
- Paul Frymier asked if there are other potential ways the pool could fail that we should be concerned about. The pool will be evaluated by a pool professional during the off-season to limit any risks.
- Suzanne Koon asked if the Pool Board had looked into the financing options yet. TRC is eligible for business loans (probably revolving credit) from BB&T. Suzanne suggested that if we are listed as a non-profit, companies such as ORNL will often match donations. The Pool Board will verify the current status and work towards 501(c)(3) status if possible.
- Tim Koon asked if we know what value the pool add to the home values. While there are no available statistics on this, there are numerous people that have purchased homes in the neighborhood due in part to the pool and park. It is also always featured on real estate listings for homes in the neighborhood, so it is definitely a selling feature and important to keep maintained for the future.
- Chris Woodcock asked how hard the surrounding neighborhoods have been marketed with the availability of the pool. So far, not hard enough. However, this is already a goal for the Pool Board as preparations begin for the 2020 season. Memberships from surrounding neighborhoods would help greatly in raising money for the coping repairs.
- Tim Koon has requested that the Pool Board look into options for the new pool gate lock, preferably installing one with a push button to exit the gate. The Pool Board will review the code requirements and lock options to determine if this is a possibility.

Action Items

- Pool closing is scheduled for Sunday, September 22 at 9:00 am. The Pool Board will need the help of all available volunteers to install the pool cover, stack furniture, and a few other miscellaneous tasks.
- Members will need to return their keys this year. The drop off options are as follows:
 - Saturday, September 21 or Sunday, September 22.
 - The chili cook-off (date to be determined, but most likely in October).
 - Contact a board member or pool@timbercrestneighborhood.org
- If any Members are having trees cut down this winter, please let the Pool Board know. The pool bank will need to be mulched again.
- The Pool Board will continue to work on maintenance items over the winter, including landscaping, replacing light bulbs, replacing broken door handles, adding gravel, and installing door on the pump house.
- The Pool Board will continue to work on preparation for the 2020 season over the winter, including 501(c)(3) status, revision of applications, improving the maintenance log, and pre-planning Spring outreach.

- If any Members have suggestions or ideas for the 2020 season, please don't hesitate to reach out to the Pool Board. There were a few great suggestions that were implemented this summer, and we hope that trend will continue.

Thanks for a great 2019 Season...stay tuned for details on the
Second Annual Fall Chili Cook-Off!