

MINUTES OF RCA OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING  
THURSDAY, AUGUST 21, 2003

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1. The meeting was called to order at 7:40 PM in the RCA Office. The meeting had been postponed from the scheduled August 14th meeting due to the electrical power blackout of August 14th. The following were present:

David Janczyk  
Verner Mize  
Sam McCracken, Recorder  
Paul Arvantides, RCA Bd Rep  
Kevin Tansey, Chair

David Janczyk joined the Committee effective the August meeting.

2. The Paragraph 3.b.2) of the July 2003 Minutes was amended to remove the statement that the full report on Hidden Lake improvements would be provided the Residents around the lake; replacing it with the statement that summaries of the report will be published in Reflections and will also be available at RCA Board meetings and at periodic informative meetings of the Residents around the lake. Otherwise, the July Minutes were accepted as submitted.

3. Old Business:

a. Lake water improvements –

- 1) Verner Mize briefed the Committee on overall plan for dredging Hidden Lake, using a map and photos. He reported that all necessary permits had been obtained, except that a license for moving some of the fish from Hidden Lake to other Radisson lakes and ponds had not yet been obtained, but that the paper work for the license is in process.
- 2) Verner Mize reported that an agreement to access the lake through Golf Course property has not yet been negotiated. This led to a brief discussion of the fact that relations with RCA and the Golf Course management are not very good. Failure to obtain an easement to access the western end of Hidden Lake may put the entire project at risk.
- 3) It is tentatively planned to replace a timber wall shoring up lawn at the south end of the lake with rock rip-rap.
- 4) The fish in Hidden Lake can be transported in waterfilled 55-gallon drums; it is not necessary to use a special fish transportation truck.
- 5) There was a general discussion of the necessary ongoing maintenance of the lakes and ponds.

b. River Park - Kevin Tansey reported that installation of the gate on the access road to River Park is underway. No other information was available as to the progress of the project.

c. Trees at Filaree Circle -

- 1) There was a brief discussion of the tree plantings on the berm and of tree plantings in Resident properties. In the general discussion, Paul Arvantides, who lives on Filaree Circle, reported that a drainage ditch in the area does not fully

- drain and holds stagnant water. It is feared that this may pose a 'West Nile virus' risk. Kevin Tansey made a note to request Mr. Krisanda to contact the Drainage District and request that the standing water problem be corrected.
- 2) The other small parcel of land on which Residents wanted trees planted is not RCA Common Land. It is part of a Builders lot, and RCA does not plan to plant trees on it.
- d. Tree & Shrub sale –
- 1) Kevin Tansey will head up the Tree and Shrub sale and will contact Northern Nurseries for available varieties, prices, etc. Availability of stock will determine the date of the sale.
  - 2) Kevin will prepare an article for publication in Reflections to tell the Residents the date and place of the sale, varieties available, etc.
- e. Pathway expansion –
- 1) Pathways in the new areas are being completed as planned.
  - 2) Plans for extending the pathway to the north side of Hidden Lake have not been finalized, pending completion of the dredging project.
4. New Business:
- a. Maintenance Department issues –
- 1) There was a brief discussion of plans for improving maintenance task scheduling using an improved system of issuing workorders, but no specific action items resulted.
  - 2) Verner Mize suggested that Maintenance workers be equipped with full face shields for certain kinds of work, to avoid accidents like the recent one with the brush chipper where Robert Fay was injured in the eye. This led to a discussion of safety equipment and practices, but no specific action item resulted.
  - 3) Kevin Tansey reported on some contacts he has made with companies which do mowing under contract, exploring the idea of out-sourcing the mowing of Willett Parkway, the Park, the playing fields and other large areas. Only one was interested enough to investigate further.
  - 4) Kevin suggested ranking the turf of the common areas A, B, C and D, in terms of the public's perception of Radisson, kinds of usage by Residents, location of the area, etc., to establish priority of mowing, methods of maintenance, etc. All agreed that it was a good idea.
  - 5) There was a brief discussion of reorganizing the Maintenance Dept. into two sections: Grounds Maintenance and Facilities Maintenance. It was noted that Terry Beemis is expected to retire within a couple of years, and that any major reorganization should not be done at this time.
- b. Noise abatement berm beside Rt 31 - There was a brief discussion about the planned noise abatement berm beside Rt 31. Paul Arvantides was requested to check with Mr. Krisanda as to who is to follow this.
- c. New member - David Janczyk is a new member as of the August meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 10 PM. The next meeting will be in the RCA Office at 7:30, Thursday, September 11, 2003.

Sam McCracken  
Recorder