

**HEATHER GARDENS METROPOLITAN DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING
Thursday, March 17, 2022**

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Heather Gardens Metropolitan District was held via Zoom/Telephone in the Heather Gardens Clubhouse at 2888 S. Heather Gardens Way, Arapahoe County, Colorado, on Thursday, March 17, 2022, at 1:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: President Funk called the meeting to order at approximately 1:00 P.M. on Thursday, March 17, 2022. A quorum was present.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: President David Funk, Vice President Michael George, and Directors Eloise Laubach and Maria Mines.

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Secretary/Treasurer William Archambault (Excused)

STAFF PRESENT: Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Jon Rea, Chief Financial Officer, (CFO) Jerry Counts, and Board Assistant Evelyn Ybarra.

GUESTS PRESENT: Jennifer L. Ivey, Icenogle Seaver Pogue, P.C., 4 members of the Heather Gardens Association Board, Lynn Donaldson with Heather 'n Yon, and approximately 28 members of the public were present.

CHANGES TO AGENDA: Item letter "a" under Unfinished Business was removed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion made by Vice President George and seconded by Director Mines and passed unanimously to approve the minutes of February 17, 2022, Regular Meeting as written.

REPORTS OF DIRECTORS, COMMITTEES, AND PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANTS:

President's Report: No report.

Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Report: The Board received a copy of the CEO's Statement of Work Report. CEO Rea provided an update that the Restaurant had started brunch early this month and has had a great turnout. CEO Rea gave a special thank you to Tom Merges for volunteering during brunch and stated his appreciation for him supporting the Restaurant. The Golf Course had a better month in March than in February. The Clubhouse facilitated a volunteer orientation to help promote volunteerism throughout the Clubhouse, Restaurant, and Golf Course. There were no questions or comments.

Clubhouse/Restaurant Committee: The Board received a copy of the Clubhouse/Restaurant Report. Director Mines commented that the Committee held a

productive workshop in February with managers from the Clubhouse and Restaurant on ways to help support the managers. There were no questions or comments.

Foundation Committee: The Board received a copy of the Foundation Report. Director Laubach commented that there are two motions for funding projects and a fundraiser under New Business. There were no questions or comments.

Golf Committee: The Board received a copy of the Golf Report. There were no questions or comments.

Property Policy Committee: No meeting.

Joint Long Range Planning Committee: The Board received a copy of the Joint Long Range Planning Report. President Funk reported the committee met on March 16 and is beginning its efforts to prepare a strategic plan that will be developed with both Boards, Management, and Staff. There will be a work session in the next two weeks to pull the information together and prioritize many of the available projects and concepts that will be going into the planning for the future of Heather Gardens. One of the important things that will be part of the work product is a report from the Joint Long Range Planning Committee with its recommendations on priorities for next year and how those priorities affect decisions that may occur in the following years. It is anticipated that the final work product will be completed in early July to conform to the budget preparations schedule that will be initiated about that time. The work session is scheduled via Zoom on Wednesday, March 30 at 1:00 p.m. and is open for the public to observe.

Treasurer's Report: The Board received a copy of the Treasurer's Report. There were no questions or comments.

Joint Budget and Finance Committee: The Board received a copy of the Joint Budget and Finance Report. There were no questions or comments.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a) **Motion to Approve funding for Rendezvous Restaurant patio umbrellas, planters, and herbs (\$1,500):** Motion made by Director Laubach and seconded by Vice President George and passed unanimously.

Text of Motion: Based on the recommendation of the Foundation Committee, I move that the Heather Gardens Metropolitan District Board of Directors approve the expenditure from the Foundation General Fund in an amount not to exceed \$1,500 for four umbrellas, three planters, and a selection of herbs.

- b) **Motion to Approve funding for 75" TV for the Clubhouse (\$650):** Motion made by Director Laubach and seconded by Vice President George and passed



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unanimously.

Text of Motion: Based on the recommendation of the Foundation Committee, I move that the Heather Gardens Metropolitan District Board of Directors approve the expenditure from the Foundation General Fund in an amount not to exceed \$650 for a 75" TV for the Clubhouse.

- c) **Motion to Approve the Fundraiser:** Motion made by Director Laubach and seconded by Director Mines and passed unanimously.

Text of Motion: Based on the recommendation of the Foundation Committee, I move that Heather Gardens Metropolitan District Board of Directors approve the fundraiser.

Explanatory Comments: The fundraiser is for Musical group Retro to hold a concert on April 16, 6:00-8:00 pm in the Sandberg Auditorium. The fundraiser will help bring in donations for the Foundation.

- d) **Motion to Approve the use of Lottery Funds for the golf practice cage improvement project (\$5,713.51):** Motion made by Vice President George and seconded by Director Mines and passed unanimously.

Text of Motion: Based on the recommendation of the Golf Committee, I move that the Heather Gardens Metropolitan District Board of Directors approve using Lottery Funds for the improvements of the golf practice cage not to exceed \$5,713.51.

- e) **Motion to Approve moving the 2021 budget for the Maintenance Facility Parking Lot Asphalt Project to 2022:** Motion made by President Funk and seconded by Director Mines and passed unanimously.

Text of Motion: Based on the recommendation of the Budget and Finance Committee, I move that the Heather Gardens Metropolitan District Board of Directors approve moving the 2021 budget for the Maintenance Facility Parking Lot Asphalt Project to 2022.

OPEN FORUM:

A resident asked how equipment for pickleball nets, and a shovel can be requested. President Funk commented that the request for pickleball nets can follow the same process as the golf practice cage improvement by using Lottery Funds which are dedicated especially to recreation. The request for a shovel should go through the

Management process. CEO Rea commented there is a non-capital equipment line item historically that has been used for various things throughout the Clubhouse for activities. CEO Rea and Clubhouse Manager Anthony have discussed purchasing a snowblower for under \$100 for situations like this and to partner with the pickleball folks to use it when roads and grounds cannot make it to the area.

A resident commented that workshops are supposed to be open to the public for observation, not participation, and made available on Zoom. President Funk commented that the upcoming work session for the Joint Long Planning Committee Zoom information had been posted last week after the regular meeting on the Heather Gardens website and is available to the public for observation.

A resident asked for an update on the HGMD candidates for the May Board Election. Ms. Ivey provided an update that the Election was canceled because there were three seats open on the board for election and only two candidates were running. Eloise Laubach resubmitted for a three-year term, Maria Mines for a one-year term, and Mike George has decided not to run which will result in a vacant three-year term as of the May Election.

Several residents' comments on the removal of the Bylaws amendment from the agenda.

A resident thanked the Board for not amending the Bylaws as she and several other people had concerns about how the changes were written and would like to know the plan for the document going forward. President Funk commented as it was removed from the agenda today, he did not have an answer to the question. He did however comment that he did receive information from the resident and others on their concerns. He plans to communicate the educational process to the community to understand how committees and boards work. One of the goals is to identify a balanced approach for the overall community. There may be better ways to do things and one of the biggest things that we have to respect is that change is an important feature for living organizations. President Funk recognized organizations and people have a resistance to change especially when it affects them personally. One of the goals overall is to make sure everyone approaches these changes without condemnation and looks at how we can work together. President Funk encouraged positive and constructive collaboration as this process moves forward.

A resident commented she did not hear or see any public discussion about the combining of committees. President Funk stated that the concept was brought up and considered and the initial document was created to talk about the changes and posted on the Heather Gardens website for over a month for input and confirmed he received positive and negative inputs.

ADJOURNMENT: Upon motion by Director Laubach and seconded by Director Mines and passed unanimously the meeting adjourned at 1:49 P.M.



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David Funk, President