

The April 20, 2023, meeting of the Rainbow Lakes Advisory Committee was called to order by Chairman Dallas Seveland. Other committee members present were Paula Gawlik, Gary Levit, Allen McKay, George Shaver and Dan Wilshusen. Guest present was Matthew Leibfried, MSTU Director. There were 6 people in attendance. The meeting was opened with invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Agenda Item Public Comment (1):**

### **Approval of Minutes (2A) April 21, 2022:**

Motion made by Wilshusen, seconded by McKay to accept minutes March 16, 2023 (2A). Motion carried.

### **Committee Reports (3):**

#### **Building & Grounds:**

**Code:** Shaver stated that there is nothing at this time.

**Levy County:** Wilshusen stated he would like to thank the Maintenance staff for the street signs in Levy County they are all up and look good. Thank you to Spicuzza and her staff for the robust communicator that was mailed out. Would like to see this continue and would like to set up a meeting to talk about the communicator more. There is a lot more development out in the Levy County portion of Rainbow Lakes Estates.

**Public Safety:** McKay stated that according to Marion County Fire Rescue Station 22 they had 6 grass fires, 1 illegal burn, 1 smoke alarm, and 1 motor accident for the month of March. For April so far, there has been 5 grass fires. Notified that he has been accepted into the Citizen Patrol in the Dunnellon group. Hoping to move to the Rainbow Lakes Estates group. Levit asked if there is a burn ban right now. McKay stated no but we are in sever drought. Levit asked if there are restrictions to burn in the "Pines." Spicuzza stated that there are burn restrictions and we have them in the District Office.

**Recreation:** Gawlik stated that the Dominos Club is doing well. They have 8 members and meet on Fridays at 7pm in the Clubhouse. Fiber Club is meeting on Saturday at 1:30pm in the Creative Arts Center and they have about 25 members. The Fishing Club is having a tournament on Saturday April 29<sup>th</sup> at the Tiger Lake Boat Ramp. Also, they will be switching between our Lake and Lake Russo every month to avoid over fishing in one lake. The Women's Club meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month and they will be revamping their club. The Garden club met today. They meet the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at 1:30pm in the Clubhouse. There has been no contact with the Poker Club. Reached out to Marion County Park last year to ask about their park passes and for a resident the park pass is \$45.90 a year with tax and for a non-resident it is \$85.63 with tax. There prices are lower than the prices we set for the boat ramp permit. Seveland asked if the Clubs have finished moving their stuff. Spicuzza stated that Garden Club finished today. Tomorrow we will cut locks off of remaining cabinets. Seveland asked if the clubs have paid the fees. Spicuzza stated that the clubs have paid besides the Poker Club and the Women's Club. The Women's club hasn't been meeting yet to pay fees.

**Roads:** Levit stated the would like to thank the Maintenance staff for clearing the bushes on the corners of Marine Blvd. White stated that it would have been Marion County or the Power Company that cleared them since Marine Blvd is the truck route. Levit stated Marion County filled in some potholes on Marine Blvd. The pothole on Kingfish was fixed.

### **Committees/Guests (4):**

MSTU Director Matthew Leibfried – Reported that the County Attorney said that anyone can become an HOA board. Everyone just has to go through the legal steps to become an HOA. The Advisory Board would also have to be careful as to not break the Sunshine Law. Volunteers do need to have a license to handle food. Spoke to Marion County Code Enforcement and they are all for meeting with the Advisory Board to answer any questions you have. Wilshusen stated that he has tried to reach out to Stacey with Levy County and has not received any response. Leibfried responded that he has not received any responses from Levy County recently either. Leibfried stated that he will follow up with Levy County. Leibfried reported the ordinance for the new rates was passed at the April 4<sup>th</sup> Marion County Board of County Commissioners meeting. The next step is to set the rate resolution. The meeting for that will be on April 25<sup>th</sup>. The discussion on the millage rate will be here at the budget meeting here in June.

### **Consent (5): None**

### **Old Business (6):**

Levy County Ordinance 2022-21 (6A) – Wilshusen reported that there is no new information.

### **New Business/Board Items (7):**

Revised Club Rules (7A) – Levit asked what is the process of starting a new club. Gawlik stated that it explains in rule number one

the process of starting a new club. Levit stated that he likes that the clubs have to come before the Advisory Board. Spicuzza explained that the reason it was changed was because the Advisory Board is going to meet every other month. Clubs will not have to wait two months before they start meeting. Gawlik asked if we would still vote on the clubs. Spicuzza stated that it would be a consent item. Discussion followed. Gawlik asked in rule number 10 why is it changing from 30days notice to 60days notice. Spicuzza responded that helps with scheduling. Seveland stated it is to give the staff a better notice. Spicuzza asked for a clarification on rule number twelve (12.) Wilshusen stated that he doesn't agree with a double fee for the tournaments. Discussion followed. Motion made by Wilshusen, seconded by Levit to approve the club rules with changing rule number one to tentative approval and to take out the double dipping in rule twelve (12.) Motion Carried.

2023/2024 Budget (7B) – Spicuzza stated that there were no changes made to page one (1). On page two (2) there was \$5,000 added to Repair and Maintenance Equipment for Truck Maintenance and added Gas as a line item and added a new employee computer. Gawlik asked why did unexpected repairs increase so much. Spicuzza stated that there has been an increase to all Maintenance repairs and we are trying to cover those cost. Discussion followed. Spicuzza stated that there are no changes to page three (3) and four (4). Wilshusen stated that would like to see changes to operational hours. It is hard for the hard-working class to come in the office during the business hours since they are working during those hours. Discussion followed. Leibfried stated he trusts staff to make scheduling decisions. That recreation numbers are needed to justify additional staff. Spicuzza reminded Board that volunteers are needed to run events that Seveland, McKay and Gawlik are the only Board members that have volunteered to help. We are struggling with events without volunteers. Discussion followed. Spicuzza stated that on page five (5) the cost of the rowing machine had increased. No changes for pages six (6) and seven (7). Discussion followed. Motion made by Wilshusen, seconded by McKay, to approve the budget. Motion carried with Gawlik opposed.

### **General Public Comment (8):**

Anthony Harting – SW Beach Blvd. – Stated that there is a problem with speeding down Beach Blvd.

### **Announcement (9):**

Seveland announced the next meeting will be on May 18, 2023 at 6:30pm in the Community Center.

Meeting adjourned at 8:08pm.