

## MUIRFIELD GROUNDS & FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING

February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2008

**Members in attendance:** John Catrabone, Diana Evans, Ken Ferrar, Gary Longstreth, Cynthia Reed, Michael Russell, and Walter Zeier.

**Meeting was called to order by:** Walter Zeier, General Manager (In absence of Chris Curry)

**Minutes of Previous Meeting:** January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2008 approved & accepted 1<sup>st</sup> by Michael, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gary.

### OLD BUSINESS

#### Grounds Projects:

**Long Range Planning:** *Community 10-Year Outlook:* Walter stated that our Board of Trustees *Long Range Planning Committee*, consisting of members, Warren Fishman, Steve Miller, Matt Stavroff and Scott Streator and himself, (Walter Zeier), along with Grounds and Facilities Committee representative John Catrabone (Michael Russell unable to attend), met recently and had a pretty good meeting.

John offered that they had discussed replacing the three remaining wooden signs here in Muirfield Village with our more traditional stone-engraved style signage. And since our current stone signage is engraved with the Memorial Tournament reference, that perhaps we could work together with the Muirfield Village Golf Club to share in the expense of this project.

John also mentioned they had discussed doing an in-depth analysis for proposed funds toward future staffing.

**New Golf Chip-a-way Putting Green by HRC:** Walter stated that our putting green design and location has been approved, and construction should begin in April. He added that we will have an eight-year warranty on labor and materials after installation is completed this Spring 2008. This is for one green about 100-130 yards, along with a few mounds to help teach our little ones about golf. This will also include improvements of a row of spruce trees as a barrier to existing homes.

John inquired about how the Muirfield Village Civic Association would go about making arrangements for a Civic Association gala type event at our Muirfield gazebo in the same area as our new putting green area and our Muirfield HRC Pool water spray?

Walter responded, that all that was necessary was to call the association office and book it in advance with Sandy in the office. However, he added that there would most likely be some paperwork for liability insurance etc. to fill out ahead of time.

#### Facilities: Pools & Tennis Courts:

**Online Registrations:** As stated in our last Muirfield Association Newsletter, Walter reiterated that this new Spring 2008 pool season, we shall have online registration for swim classes available for the first time.

**Glick Pool: Water Slide:** Walter stated the new "Water Slide" has received final approval from the City of Dublin, and shall be completed for this Spring 2008 opening.

**Restroom Updates:** Walter stated our restroom facility new upgrades, such as tile and painting etc, would be completed within the next few weeks also. He added that the extreme cold weather has presented a bit of challenge for staff for the tile installation. However, he assured us, all is going well, and it too shall be completed before our Spring 2008 season.

**HRC Pool: Water Spray:** Walter also stated that our new "Water Spray" would be ready to spray this Spring 2008 too!

**Healthier Pool Concessions:** Walter inquired if anyone had any more suggestions for healthier food selections for our pool concession stands, other than those suggested at our last meeting, such as whole-wheat pretzels, or fruit smoothies or all-fruit popsicles, protein bars, and healthier choices to drink, such as Snapples, etc.?

Ken suggested small packages of nuts, such as almonds, or granola bars.

## NEW BUSINESS

### Grounds Projects:

None discussed at this time.

### Facilities: Pools & Tennis Courts:

**Tennis:** Walter stated that he has decided *not* to renew our contract with the same tennis club for the 2008 season. He added that a decision has been made to hire a new tennis pro, and he's very excited about our new 2008 tennis season now that we've signed a contract with Rebecca (Stanchin) Hancart.

Walter noted, that our new online registration for our swim classes do *not* include online registration for tennis classes. He added that Ms. Hancart would be handling all of her own registrations.

## RESIDENTS COMMENTS

**Resident Guest: Bob Warne** – Attended our Grounds and Facilities Meeting just before we adjourned. He came to propose a few suggestions for improvements to our village.

1<sup>st</sup> **Painting Pedestrian Tunnels:** Mr. Warne suggested that Muirfield Village work with our schools, such as Jerome High School, Fine Arts Department, or perhaps our Grizzell Middle School, Fine Arts Department to coordinate murals being painted on the ceiling of our pedestrian tunnels. He stated that one tunnel under Dublin Road/Rt 745 had already been painted quite nicely in the City of Dublin, and he felt it encouraged the children to take pride and take care of tunnels.

Walter stated that we had discussed this project at a previous meeting, but no motion had been made.

Cynthia asked Diana what would be helpful for the board to consider this? Would it help if Mr. Warne brought an art teacher with him to your next board meeting?

Diana responded that she felt that the above would be very helpful, and also it would help if they brought along a potential plan and cost estimate to consider for just a few tunnels to begin.

Walter added that we would need to have the City of Dublin's approval also on the tunnels that are under our road system.

2<sup>nd</sup> **Multi-purpose Field:** Mr. Warne suggested that we have our own multi-purpose field here in our village to play softball etc. And he added that he would be willing to oversee some of the structured activities.

Walter and most of committee felt that while this would be a great idea, that the problem was, where? Adding that finding a location large enough for such a purpose without infringement upon surrounding residents was the biggest obstacle.

3<sup>rd</sup> **Current Tennis Lights:** Mr. Warne stated that our tennis lights are on at times way past 10PM. He wanted to know why so late?

Walter stated that they are on timers and should go off by 9PM, however when we experience power surges in the area that sometimes it throws off the timers. He added that he has an electric clock on his desk so that when he comes into the office in the morning he is aware of this, to go out and reset the tennis light timers.

- Michael wanted to compliment staff on their quick response in replacing his mailbox knocked down by City salt trucks within just a few hours!
- Gary stated that our wooden sign at the corner of Glick and Muirkirk is missing, and a temporary metal sign has been placed there instead.

**NEXT MEETING \*\*\*March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2008,\*\*\*@ 6:00 PM**  
**Meeting Adjourned** - Respectively submitted, Cynthia Reed.