

## **Drum Point Club**

### **January 9, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes**

**Call to order:** 5:36 pm

**Attendance:** Eric Andreas, Mary Ann McGowan, Bruce Fall, Terra Cooke, Judy Szyzborsky, Bill Kurtz, Johanna Icaza, Tim Hansen

#### **Presidents Report, Eric Andreas**

##### Club Operating Schedule for 2023

Eric offered the following written statement regarding the Club operating schedule for 2023:

#### **Drum Point Club Operating Schedule**

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July 1 - Start of fiscal year

Fall/Winter - There should be a fall or winter meeting to keep the membership apprised of the status of the club.

Mid-February - Notify members of date for the spring meeting.

March 15 - Members must be notified 30 days in advance of a membership meeting. The notice must include an agenda and information on any special issues to be discussed and voted on. I recommend we do this via email. The nominating committee must mail the slate of candidates for the Board of Directors (BOD) to the membership by March 15. Nominations are closed at the end of the spring membership meeting.

March/April - Hold the spring membership meeting. The purpose of this meeting is to present and discuss the proposed budget and major business to the membership and allow BOD nominations from the floor. We do not need to mail out the proposed budget out ahead of time. Copies of the proposed budget and financial statement need to be available for members at the meeting to review.

May 1 - Mail ballot for BOD and proposed budget to membership to vote on. Ballots postmarked after June 1 are disqualified. A financial report must accompany the proposed budget. A majority of the voting rights cast is needed to approve the budget. BOD directors are elected by a plurality of the voting rights cast (i.e. most votes wins).

Mid-May - Provide notice to the membership of the June annual meeting.  
June - Hold annual membership meeting. The purpose of this meeting is to present the results of BOD election and budget approval. The new BOD is also installed at this meeting. Any other business and issues may also be discussed with the membership. At the start of the next month following the annual meeting, the BOD (thus newly installed) needs to elect the President, VP, Secretary, and Treasurer. Each of which is subject to a one-year term.

June 30 - End of fiscal year.

July 1 - Assessment bills must be mailed by July 1 and are due August 1st of each year. Overdue assessments and interest fees shall compound interest at 1% per month until paid in full.

July - By the first of the month following the annual meeting, the Board of Directors shall meet to elect the President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer of the Board of Directors. Those elected shall be the officers of the Club.

#### Discussion

- We need to get a list of candidates for the next board election by March 15.
- Eric proposes to send the list of candidates to the membership via email.
- The board needs to create a nominating committee. Karen Hansen, Jane Luczak and Kathy Kurtz were suggested.
- The board needs to have the budget completed by May.
- Renovation of the driveway and parking lot are needed and should be a priority and in the 2023 budget. Since it will likely be over \$3,000 we will need a membership vote to approve it.

#### Chesapeake Ranch Estates Proposed Storm Water Easement

A contractor working for Chesapeake Ranch Estates (CRE) has approached Eric concerning DPC allowing an easement for water runoff on our property near the 90 degree curve of Barreda boulevard where there is a gate that separates the two communities. Apparently, the road in CRE has some flooding problems.

The contractor claims that the easement to allow water to run on to our property would not be a problem but it is unclear what the effect might be. It was noted that DPPOA has a similar project on the other side of Barreda.

*Decision: Eric will invite the contractor to our next meeting to explain what he would like to do. In addition, Eric and Judy should meet with him at the site to gain a better understanding of what he proposes.*

### Drum Point Lake Easement Issue

DPC owns a lot on the north side of Drum Point Lake near Cree. There is an existing easement on the east side of the lot directly to the north of our lot. The owner of this lot has erected a fence that blocks the easement so no one can access DPC property. DPPOA has asked DPC if we want to object to the blockage to our property as nearby residents have historically used it for access to the lake.

Question: Does DPC wish to object to the easement blockage and force the owner to take down the fence?

*Answer: No, we really don't want non-members on the property for many reasons including potential liability.*

### Atlantic Solutions

DPC needs to have Atlantic Solutions inspect our engineered sewer system to conform to Calvert county regulations. There is a \$200 charge for the inspections. The septic serving the rental house Cindy lives in recently overflowed so needs to be examined as well.

### The DPC Music Group

This group of club members uses the clubhouse to practice and occasionally perform. There was some concern that members who have to pay for personal events may question the fairness of the music group using the facility without payment. It was pointed out that the Women's group uses the facility in a similar fashion for bunco nights.

Since the Music Group has periodic open mic nights and other events that benefit the membership, it appears to be a fair use of the facility.

*Decision: The DPC board unanimously to allow the Music Group to use the clubhouse without payment.*

## **Committee Reports**

### **Building and Grounds Bill Kurtz**

Member John Quirk recently installed new valves on drippy faucets. We have not received an invoice from him yet.

There is a gap in the front door. Perhaps one of us could do the needed repairs. If not, Bill will contact Joe Bateman.

All DPC board members should have the Ecobee phone app to adjust temperatures inside the clubhouse. He will be working on instructions from ecobee.

### **Rentals Mary Ann McGowan**

We need to have rental rates posted on our website.

*Action Item: Mary Ann will write something for Jane Luczak to include on the website.*

We still need a revised rental agreement. Mary Ann and Terra will work on it soon.

### **Membership Terra Cooke**

DPC has one new member this month Derond Ricks.

We are almost out of entry fobs. They cost \$750 per 100 fobs.

*Action Item: Ed Luczak will order a new set soon.*

DPC's total membership may go down some as Johanna has sent 25 arrears notices, 17 to regular members and 8 to associate members.

### **Events Bruce Fall**

The following events are planned:

- Yoga should begin soon Bruce will contact Carol the instructor.
- The Polar Plunge will be March 4, 2023 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. There was a discussion about having an AED available. Eric will ask the Solomons Rescue Squad.
- Open Mic Night will be February 9, 2023. The theme will be love songs.
- Saint Patrick's day celebration will be March 17, 2023. Will have a chili cook off and play bingo
- The Maryland Osprey Festival will be April 1, 2023 11:00 am to 4:00 pm. It will be free to DPC members. The public is invited and the entrance fee will be \$10 per person \$15 per family. Parking will be at Patuxent High School and shuttle buses will be provided. Individual will handicaps will be allowed to park at DPC.

- Bonfire events may be held at some of these events or on an impromptu basis depending upon the weather.
- An Easter egg hunt will be held April 9, 2023. The time will be determine but should be after normal church hours on Easter.

### **Treasurers Report Johanna Icaza**

Johanna reported the following:

DPC has stopped paying for Zoom software in December.

Quick Books has increased its annual fee from \$132 to \$200.

Eric brought up the need for a finance committee meeting. The committee is comprised of Johanna, Judy, Bruce and Eric. The meeting is scheduled Tuesday January 24, 2023 at 5:30 pm.

Johanna submitted an approved budget for 2023 and a statement of activity from July 1, 2023 to December 15, 2023.

### **Technology Ed Luczak**

No report. Ed is not available.

### **Nature Tim Hansen**

There was a quick discussion about when to hold a planning session for nature activities and the formation of a men's group activities. Bruce suggested that this be part of the spring membership meeting in March.

### **Miscellaneous**

Mary Ann brought up the need to paint the main room in the clubhouse. It needs to be lighter than the current medium brown. We agreed that \$2k-\$3k should be included in the budget.

**Adjourned:** 7:40 pm. Next meeting is February 7, 2023 5:30 pm.