

Facilities and Grounds Committee Town Hall  
Tuesday, April 20, 2021, 5pm  
Zoom

Attendees:

Kathy Ritschel, Martha Jackson, David Sorkin, Sal Monaco, Fred Raznick, Taylor Ward, Nancy Sulzberg, Mary Ellen Donat, Sheila (LAST NAME), Joseph Gutierrez, Marie Aragon, Frieda Claes, Patsy Tafoya, Jim Knight, Hilary Rose, Amelia (LAST NAME), Jean Crawford, Jeff Jacobs, Ardas Khalsa, Anne Liley, Lynsey Bernard, Jerry Arrant, Susan Edmundson, Pamela Henline, Andrea Sayer, Diane Phillips, Connie Heflin, Linda Jensen, Todd Handy; Zoom users: Dan D, Carol, iPhone CkC

5:04pm Welcome

PPT presentation about F and G:

- Mission statement
- Members
- Review of facilities – courts, hike-bike, trails, playgrounds, dog parks
- Planned projects – lighting, drainage, around community center; security cameras
- Goals – community engagement and inclusion; leagues, lectures, lessons, etc.
- Insurance – update from Sal Monaco about the recent insurance review/search; highlighted the stables changes and pool insurance change to allow for swim lessons
- Card reader/Dog park rules – Kathy R addressed concerns and misinformation (re: budget amounts) that had been presented by residents

Public Comments

- Ardas Khalsa: request to discuss pool policy for this summer – never able to reserve a spot for her family during last summer's pool sessions/reservation system; moved to Eldorado for the pool
- Andrea Sayer: second request to discuss pool time, particularly for families and children; requested benches for the courts at Compadres Park
- Pamela Henline: pool issues, specifically with ADA parking being too far from the pool entrance and too few spots; on-going problem that needs to finally be addressed
- Anne Liley: recreational swim, pool use for children after two summers without a pool
- Lynsey Bernard: pool concern for time for families and recreation were addressed; is insurance required for residents to have birthday parties on ECIA grounds – it was prohibitive when she looked into it
- Jerry Arrant: prairie dog activity and hole filling

Discussion

Pool: Capacity summer 2021 will be 75% as long as SF County remains in turquoise; plans are still being formed, possibly 1.5 hour sessions for recreational swim; recreational swim and 2 lap lanes will be available as well as lap swimming only during some hours, similar to usual schedule (pre-Covid); opening at the end of May

Ardas would like opportunities for recreational/ family swim; Marie addressed history of ADA parking at pool; Fred addressed future of ADA at ECIA facilities, as home values increase there will be more need to cater to older population and their needs

Lynsey asked for update on family pool changing room; Sal addressed this: ECIA Board decided not to do complete it based on lack of funds

No insurance for jump board (Todd Handy)

Insurance for private parties: Required for any non-ECIA sponsored event, should not be prohibitive and ECIA office can offer guidance

Prairie Dog activity: trucks at Puerto Rd filling up holes to force prairie dogs to relocate away from hike/bike trail; nobody knew anything about it

County responsibilities: ditch cleanout (fire hazard, neighbor complaints); non-functioning fire hydrant (county/EAWSD); road paving project, all paving has been completed or neighbors have been notified; funds allocated by county, others were requested but not funded, possibly will be in extra legislative sessions (Kathy, Carol, Joseph Gutierrez input); hike/bike trail funds for Azul have been requested, not yet funded

Access to amenities: Jean Crawford asked will house-sitters be granted access to amenities as has been given in the past

Card readers: RFP underway for card readers at every amenity (tennis, basketball, dog park, pool); will be consideration for price per feature/user/house; trying to limit use of amenities for non-ECIA members, eg road-trippers who use dog park as stop-over

Reminder to attendees: F+G committee meets first Wednesday of every month, 10am, anyone can attend

Meeting closed by Kathy at 6:17pm