



BETHANY VILLAGE RESIDENTS' COUNCIL MINUTES  
June 4, 2019

President George West opened the Residents' Council (RC) meeting at 9:15 AM with a moment of silence.

**Council Members:** Cheryl Brown, Judith Clovsky, Leroy Erickson (E)\*, Grace Hartsock, Kay Hess, Barbara Hilt, Sandra Jones, June Kostrab, Marcia Marsh, Kathy Salmon, Lowell Starling (E)\*, Graceann Steckbeck, John Sweeney, Anne Wagoner, George West, Tony Wright, Sue Moeslein

**Non-Voting Member:**

Dale Meadowcroft - Treasurer

**Committee Chairs Present:** June Kostrab, Graceann Steckbeck, Kay Hess, Dale Meadowcroft, Corinne Kostukovich, George West, Lloyd Chorpensing, Anne Wagoner, Carol Leidig, Susan Stiller, Kathy Salmon, Judith Clovsky,

**Visitors:** Jim Wilt, Phyllis Kegerreis, John Judson, Bob Gasull, Joan Bretz

**Minutes for May 7, 2019 meeting:** Motion to accept report made by Kathy Salmon; seconded by June Kostrab. Approved by all present.

**Financial Report for May 2019:** Regular report received and placed on file for audit. Treasurer pointed out that residents can donate to RC, BV Auxiliary or Asbury Foundation via Amazon. Can set this up via [Smile.Amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com)

**Correspondence:** None.

\*E = Excused Absence: U=Unexcused Absence

**Administrative Report:** Brian Grundusky

- A. Financial Update: BV met its Operating Ratio (OR) for April, which was 96.8% compared to the budgeted OR was 102.5%. Main contributors were expense savings and above revenue pertaining to assisted living. Skilled Nursing did well in occupancy rates. Most of occupancy problems are with Independent Living, where we currently have 18 vacancies in West Apartments.
- B. Century Drive Extension: BV is getting another independent appraisal to give the township to try to increase number of dollars we are due to receive. Currently, we are to receive \$220,000, which will be used to construct the berm, etc. on West side. Will be meeting with concerned residents re the berm and other issues.
- C. People's Bank: Have signed the new lease for the bank to open an office in BV. Process of approvals within the bank will take approximately 30 to 45 days. Bank will be here for the next two weeks working on bank area prior to moving in, as well as plans to install ATMs on both East and West sides of BV.
- D. 2019 Pulse Survey: Deadline for completing survey will be extended for one week. Goal is to have 75% of residents complete the survey. Have actively worked to improve those areas which were highlighted in the last survey: dining services, security and transitioning between levels of care in BV.
- E. Completed the annual survey of the Oaks by the Department of Health. Seven surveyors conducted the survey in three days. Life Safety team was in as well. Did have some very minor deficiencies, none involved quality of care for our residents.
- F. PEPPER: A new technology Asbury is looking into. PEPPER will be at Bethany Village in mid-July. Will be a greeter at the front desk. Will be distributing more information on PEPPER soon,

## **Old Business**

GEM written and submitted for Security Associate Marvin Brubaker. Ed Bitzer recommended special recommendation because of large quantities of wood donated to the Woodworking Shop, which resulted in significant savings.

## **New Business**

- A. Resident's Council will not be meeting in July or August.
- B. After many years of outstanding service, Corrine Kostukovich is resigning as Chair of the Associates Appreciation Fund on June 15, 2019.

**Standing Committee Reports** - Complete reports available from the secretary. (If NO REPORT is listed for a committee, that committee may only be active during certain times of the year or did not have a meeting.)

1. **Alexander Dining Room** - No Report
2. **Art** - Susan Stiller, Chair. - Meeting monthly and in the planning stages for four different projects.
3. **Associates Appreciation Fund** - Corrine Kostukovich, Chair. - No report, still collecting checks.
4. **Audio-Visual** - Leroy Erickson, Chair, - No Report
5. **Benevolence Fund** - Anne Wagoner, Chair. - No Report
6. **Bethany Village Fair** - June Kostrab, Chair - End of June, will send out notice to committee heads re October Fair and ask for suggestions on new ways to display items and increase sales.
7. **By Laws** - Executive Committee complete revisions in September.
8. **Campus Outreach** - Grace Steckbeck, Chair: Status of vacancies as of May 31, 2019: Center - 0; Court Apartments - 6 available, 1 accepted & 1 contracted; West Apartments - 18 available, 1; East Cottages - 2 available, including Marketing Office & 1 contracted; West Cottages - 1 accepted; Estate Homes - 0. COMPLETED MOVES: Center - 0; Court Apartments - 0; West Apartments - 5; East Cottages - 1; West Cottages - 1; Estate Homes - 0. Independent Living - 472; Assisted Living - 101 and Oaks - 65 for a total of 637 residents but changing daily.

9. **Care Assurance** - Kathy Salmon, Chair - Remember, August 1 Concert, full symphony. Will also have pre-concert reception.
10. **Courtesy** - Kay Hess, Chair - For May, 16 get well and no sympathy cards mailed.
11. **Dining Services** - Dale Meadowcroft, Chair - No report. Will have next meeting in June.
12. **Facilities** - George West, Chair- Plan to work on Friendship roof. To replace roof, will need to request capital funds. Water in garden: need to replace whole system and will include this item in the capital fund budget. Two new sinkholes on East side. Next meeting June 17<sup>th</sup>. East Cottage power washing delayed a bit because of pollen, etc.: half completed at West Cottages. Road repairs will be included in capital budget too. Also, cleaning downspouts on East and West. Naming of trees is ongoing.
13. **Gallery Goodies** - No report
14. **Garden Club** - Judith Clovsky, Chair - All gardens growing well,
15. **IT** - Dale Meadowcroft, Chair: No report.
16. **Library** - Connie Scheib, Chair - Am barcoding our collection in the library and finding many older, good books which have not been read for a long time. They are important to the library, so they will be put in a new section of the library called "Oldies but Goodies". It is located next to the DVD collection, along the back wall. We received a collection of Chautauqua DVD lectures from Mary Ann Morefield, who showed these lectures in the Community Room, and who thought residents might want to review them. They are on the carousel for easy access at any time. We added 19 books during May, with 6 being in large print.
17. **Model Railroad** - Lowell Starling, Chair - The Garden Train continues to run, weather permitting. Saturday, June 22, the Oaks is having a cookout and the train will run from 12:30-1:30. The Wood Shop continues to work on the new display case for the N gauge in East Breezeway. Finally, Xmas train platform set up outside the pharmacy for a couple of weeks to upgrades to electrical hookups and insulation under the platform.
18. **Nominating & Elections** - Earl Norman, Chair: No Report
19. **Program** - Judith Clovsky, Chair - RC sponsoring two upcoming concerts this month. In Sept/Oct will have trip to Canadian Rockies, and will offer a January cruise.

20. **Remembrance Garden** - Dale Meadowcroft, Chair - Two new bricks ordered for September installation.
21. **Spiritual Life Enrichment** - Lloyd Chorpenning, Chair - Communion Room construction completed and beautifully done.
22. **Wellness** - Carol Leidig, Chair - BV games will fun June 10 - 21<sup>st</sup>, approximately 20 people have signed up. The new Mini Golf Course is in use and the Golf League has started: Shuffleboard court has been resurfaced and is in use; Horseshoe pits have been worked on and are now in good shape. Finally, working on ways to reach out to residents with our Enhanced Mobility Program.
23. **Woodworking** - Ed Bitzer, Chair - Slow month for repairs but completed two small but important projects, one by Ron Savage for a wheelchair ramp to mount a high threshold (surprised we haven't been asked for more of these) and a coat and hat rack. The really bit on going project is progressing with both Ken Kieffer and Ginny Wilt putting in long hours. What is obvious is the quality of craftsmanship going into the display case for the M gauge train.

### **Special Committee Reports:**

**Events Coordinator** - Tita Eberly and Sandra Jones - Next Pancake Breakfast is on July 24<sup>th</sup>.

**PARCR Committee** - Lowell Starling - Exec Committee will meet at BV Monday, June 10, to finalize agenda for the PARCR Quarterly Meeting at BV on July 10. Sandy Jones and Lowell Starling will attend. The tentative agenda includes usual legislative updates plus a speaker from the Social Security Administration on the future of Social Security. Everyone is encouraged to attend. We will broadcast the July 10 morning session on Channel 956. If you plan to attend, please sign up with Resident Life and indicate whether you will have lunch for \$10.00.

### **Announcements:**

- June 6: Porch Social, West Front Porch, Social Thursday, 3:00-5:00, sponsored by the Residents' Council

- June 7: "Walk in the Garden" Buffet, Springfield's Dining Room, sponsored by West Cottages.
- June 20: "Biergarten", Springfield's Dining Room sponsored by East Cottages
- June 28: Greater Harrisburg Concert Band, Friday, Rife Center, 7:00pm.
- **Executive Committee** – Tuesday August 27, 2019 at 1:00pm
- **Full Residents' Council Meeting** – Tuesday, September 3, 2019 @ 9:15 am

**Adjournment** - 1015

Respectfully Submitted

Marcia M. Marsh

Secretary of Residents' Council