



BETHANY VILLAGE (BV) RESIDENTS' COUNCIL (RC) MINUTES

bvrescoun.org. Tuesday, December 7, 2021 @ 9:15

Council Members*: Kerry Butz, Bob Gasull, Kay Hess, Sandra Jones, Marcia Marsh, Susan Moeslein, Howell Sasser, Ray Saunders, Graceann Steckbeck, John Sweeney, Margaret Schultz (E), Dennis Plymette

Officers*: President Judith Clovsky, Vice President Lowell Starling, Secretary Jane Bonser (E), Treasurer Dale Meadowcroft, Assistant Treasurer Ralph Tygard, Assistant Secretary Leona Fickel.

(* E = Excused Absence; U= Unexcused Absence)

Committee Chairs Present: Marcia Marsh, Dale Meadowcroft, Lowell Starling, Graceann Steckbeck, Kay Hess, (2), Judith Clovsky, Kerry Butz, Maria Latterra, Sandy Jones, Bob Gasull, John Sweeney

Non-voting members present: Dale Meadowcroft, Treasurer

Visitors: Monte Avery, Sandra Henry, Larry Miller, Tom Johnston

Administrative Report: Brian Grundusky, Executive Director: The generous annual Christmas donation to Associates through the Associates Appreciation Fund Committee of Residents' Council is much appreciated. Associates continue a strong effort to counter the continuing presence of the Covid virus in Cumberland County as it affects Bethany Village. There are currently no new associates testing positive. Unfortunately, a West Apartment resident has become the third death resulting from Covid. The Covid mitigation efforts continue to meet the challenges of the virus on a day-by-day basis. Now that we have completed the on-site booster clinics at BV, we are hopeful to be able to start being able to do some more events. These events will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis. We also have made it a requirement for all external wellness members to be vaccinated. Occupancy rate continues to trend in the right direction, with 5 Court and 13 West Apartment vacancies. Efforts of the Art Committee members are much appreciated as they work at decor updates within West Apartment areas. A basket raffle is being held for Associates to replace the traditional dessert receptions of pre-Covid years. There has been a change of landscaping vendors and the new vendor has started work on campus. This has been an ongoing assessment and the change was based on several factors.

Call to Order: President Judith Clovsky called the formal meeting to order at 9:45 and requested a moment of silence, with special thoughts on this anniversary of the Day of Infamy as we think of our veterans and all they do for us, and special thoughts also for our friends and neighbors in Assisted Living and Skilled Care.

Minutes from Nov. 2, 2021: Motion made by Howell Sasser to accept minutes as earlier printed and distributed to all Bethany Village residents, seconded by Ralph Tygard. Correction made by Dennis Plymette to include his name as a visitor at that meeting. Approved by all as corrected. Corrected minutes will be on file.

Correspondence: Resignation of Leona Fickel, Assistant Secretary; motion by Lowell Starling to accept with regrets, seconded by Howell Sasser; approved by all, with thanks for Leona's service. Thank-you card from Brian Grundusky for Associate Appreciation Fund donation from Residents' Council.

Financial Report of November 31, 2021: Presented by Dale Meadowcroft, received and put on file for audit at year's end. Overall a positive revenue balance of \$7,000. Budget for 2022: Budget numbers for 2022 are available for Committee Chairs as they plan for 2022.

Reports by Committees (C), Standing Committees (SC), Activities (A), and Clubs (CL)
- (If NO REPORT is listed, that standing committee, committee, activity, or club may only be active certain times of the year or did not have a meeting.) Some submitted written reports (marked **) have been summarized. All full written reports are available on file in the Residents' Council office. For further information about committee reports, please contact the listed Chair of the Committee.

1. **Art (C)** - Marcia Marsh, Chair - West Art Group has completed hanging paintings on the 2nd floor and paintings have been switched around on floors 3 and 4. Eventually additional paintings will be hung. Of special interest are the walls of "resident artists" established on each floor. Recommend everyone make time to look at the 2nd and 3rd floors where borders have been removed and painting of the walls is complete.
2. **Associates Appreciation Fund (C)** - Nan Keiser, Chair - \$80,000 given to 286 Bethany Village Associates. Employees of Asbury are not considered Associates nor are dining service employees, except for wait staff.
3. **Audio-Visual (C)** - Bob Brommer, Chair - No report
4. **Audit Committee (SC)** - Tony Wright, Chair - No report
5. **Benevolence Fund (C)** - Anne Wagoner, Chair - The Benevolence Committee met on November 17th to disperse the bulk of the 2021 Vesper funds to 11 local charities. On December 1st, the Treasurer mailed checks of \$850 to each of these charities. Thanks to the generous offerings and gifts by Bethany residents, this was a total of \$9,350 which was an increase of \$1,650 over the 2 previous years. Starting January

- 1, Ginny Wilt is the new Chairperson of the committee, all future individual gifts should be mailed to her East Cottage at 314 Asbury Drive.
6. Bethany Village Fair (C) - June Kostrab, Chair - Some after-Fair sales continue to occur.
 7. Bylaws Committee (SC) - Judith Clovsky, President - No report
 8. Campus Outreach (A) - Graceann Steckbeck, Chair: **Status of vacancies:** Center Rental, 0; Court Apartments, 4 available, 4 contracted; West Apartments, 14 available (includes 2 model apts. plus Marketing Office #3133), 3 contracted; East Cottages: 1 contracted; West Cottages: 0 contracted; Estate Homes: 0. **Completed moves for October:** Center Apts 0; Court Apts. 4; West Apts 3; West Cottages 1. East Cottages 1; **Resident Totals:** Independent living 488 Assisted living 102, Oaks 77, BV Total 667 but changing daily.
 9. Courtesy(A) - Kay Hess, Chair - In November: 13 Get Well cards sent, 1 Sympathy card sent.
 10. Dining Services (C) - Dale Meadowcroft, Chair - Use of dining services is trending positive.
 11. Executive Committee (SC) - Judith Clovsky, President -The Executive committee met on November 30 and applicable items have been placed on today's RC agenda.
 12. Facilities (C) - Bob Gasull, Chair - Major issues from Maintenance Director Mark Ruiz: No improvement in hiring new associates and openings in all departments are unchanged; 1265 work orders completed in November; HVAC filters complete on West, East to be next; Water damage on 4th floor ceiling, West Apartment, leak due to overflow HVAC drip pan, \$1700 to replace; options are being researched for improvement of thermostats; BrightView landscaping company has been replaced by Rupert as of Dec. 1. Items presented by committee members and to be addressed: Uncollected leaves blowing into doorways of common entrances; malfunctioning of fireplace in Bistro; request for some type of lighting at the left turn from Wilson Drive onto West Campus; facilities thanked for pruning of trees and removal of dead trees with remaining stumps to be removed in the Spring; Friday night movies cannot be shown using existing Channel 956 equipment; proposed Asbury-wide program for interactive system for entire BV community was put on hold because of the pandemic and TV mounts near doorways are part of that project. Mark Ruiz has the TV screens in storage and will get an update on the program; need for protection of elevator paint at base of floor and walls. The committee notes that ongoing attention to facilities' issues benefits the current residents and also is a plus for marketing efforts aimed toward gaining new residents.

13. **Garden Club (CL)** - Kerry Butz- No report
14. **IT (A)**- Maria Laterra, Chair - The committee urges extreme caution by online and cell phone users, to be mindful of scams. The November Scoop has a very good article about Phishing scams. If residents ever get a request to assist in buying a gift card or equivalent from someone you know, do not reply by email, or generate gift cards as requested until you have spoken in person with the individual who seems to be making the request. You cannot rely on any information received from answering an email because the return address you used may have been compromised as a part of a scam. Unless you are absolutely sure of the source of the request, do not click on any link in an email or allow anyone access to your computer via the internet. The scammers are especially active around the holidays. Stay alert!
15. **Library (C)**- Ellie Meadowcroft - Librarian/Chair - 29 books were added to the library collection, 17 regular print and 12 large print. More are in the process of being catalogued. We have resumed making donated and withdrawn books and other materials available for purchase by donation and have received \$31 in donations so far. A cart of duplicate and withdrawn books was delivered to Assisted Living and the previous cart returned empty. A list of new books will accompany the Minutes.
16. **Model Railroad (CL)**- Lowell Starling, Chair -Model Railroad Club: The article in the December Scoop provided more information about the arrival of our Christmas Train than you wanted to know. Your only responsibility is to go over to the West main lobby and push a button. After that it's all magic. In addition to setting up the Christmas Train, the club has been working hard on building a train layout for the main lobby of The Oaks to replace the old aquarium which gave up the ghost some time ago. We don't have a firm date because of the outside contractors involved, but we are getting close. More to come when we get dates from our contractors.
17. **Nominations/Elections Committee (SC)** - Kay Hess, Chair: The committee nominates the following for Residents' Council Officers with terms to begin January 1, 2022: Kerry Butz for the position of Vice President; Jane Bonser for the position of Secretary; Monte Avery for the position of Assistant Secretary. (filling the unexpired term of Leona Fickel); Ralph Tygard for the position of Assistant Treasurer.
18. **PARCR Committee (C)**- Lowell Starling - PARCR: Key updates about PARCR are in the December Scoop. As a reminder, the January 12 meeting will be held via Zoom instead of in person. The meeting will feature an address by Dan Seeger, a PARCR member and the President Elect of the National Continuing Care Residents Association (NaCCRA). Dan will highlight the publications and initiatives by NaCCRA to promote the rights of CCRC residents and help them ensure that their investments in

their communities are protected. Part of this is advocacy in Washington D.C. to protect our rights and investments. In addition, updates from Leading Age PA will highlight the legislative and regulatory initiatives that will affect our lives and pocket-books. While security and licensing issues require that only PARCR members login to a ZOOM meeting, there is NO restriction on others piggy backing on a login by one of our PARCR members. The Residents' Council will get a room with a large screen TV for any BV residents who want to attend the meeting.

19. **Program (C)** - John Sweeney - Committee activity is being scaled back due to Covid.

20. **Remembrance Garden (A)**- Dale Meadowcroft, Chair- Bricks are accumulating for installation in April.

21. **Special Events (A)** -Sandra Jones, Chair - No report

22. **Spiritual Life Enrichment (C)**, Don Shover, Chair - No report

23. **Wellness(C)** - Carol Leidig, Chair - No report

24. **Wood Shop (A)** - Joe Kearney, Chair - Not much going on in the shop during November. One cedar bowl with lid by Ed Bitzer, one picture frame by Joe Kearney and the rest were all repair requests which brought in \$70 in donations for the shop. In a week or two, the shop will welcome five new members. Beth Shank, Terry Wise, Tom Johnston, Leroy Weaver and Larry Wright will have completed the six-week course led by Ken Kieffer. The course stressed safety and instructed everyone on safe use of the equipment. Appropriate waivers were signed by all. Welcome to the new members.

Old Business:

New Business: Nominees for Council offices as submitted by the Nominating Committee (see above) were elected unanimously when there were no nominations from the floor.

OTHER:

Time Capsule: Maria Laterra. Plans are in progress. New members invited.

Ecology Team: Tom Johnston. The Team represents all residents, always open to new members, developing as a visionary group as a model for addressing ecology concerns.

Comments from President Judith Clovsky regarding changes in committee personnel:

Dennis Plymette and Larry Miller will be joining Tony Wright on the Audit Committee. Appreciation for outgoing Secretary Marcia Marsh's dedicated efforts from Day 1, over a period of many years. She inherited a large job of instituting policies and procedures to ensure smooth operation of the office of Secretary. Marcia has stepped down from her job of keeping resident photo albums up to date. Lowell Starling is going off Council. He has been a strong contributor to the PARCR Committee as well as the Model Railroad

Committee. He now is assuming leadership roles in PARCR and will be a valuable resource and liaison from that group. John Sweeney is leaving Council but remains on the program committee where his humor will continue to be an asset.

Announcements

Next Executive Committee Meeting_- Tuesday December 28, 2021 @ 1:00pm

Next Residents' Council Meeting - Tuesday January 4, 2022 @ 9:15

Adjournment: Motion made by Ray Saunders, seconded by Bob Gasull at 10:20 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jane H. Bonser, Secretary

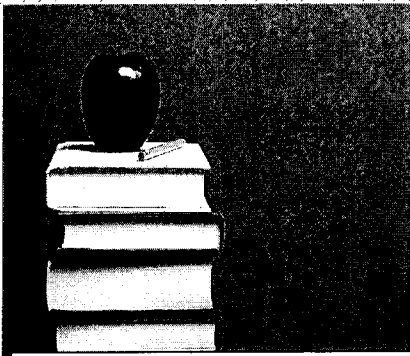


Residents' Council of Bethany Village

Statement of Financial Position

As of November 30, 2021

	TOTAL
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
11020 Members 1st-Savings	5.00
11030 CD Members 1st - March 2019 36 month	10,804.79
12000 Peoples Checking	117,458.47
12010 Peoples Money Market	32,641.07
Total Bank Accounts	\$160,909.33
Total Current Assets	\$160,909.33
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LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Credit Cards	
12040 Peoples Credit Card	245.30
Total Credit Cards	\$245.30
Other Current Liabilities	
80010 Associate Appreciation Fund	81,937.41
80020 BVRC RR Fund	3,293.37
80030 Garden Fund	2,799.89
80040 Vespers Fund	1,348.26
80050 Instrumental Music	530.37
80060 Library Fund	249.25
Total Other Current Liabilities	\$90,158.55
Total Current Liabilities	\$90,403.85
Total Liabilities	\$90,403.85
Equity	
30000 Opening Balance Equity	0.00
33000 Unrestricted Net Assets	63,198.07
Net Revenue	7,307.41
Total Equity	\$70,505.48
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$160,909.33



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New in November 2021

BOOKS RECENTLY ADDED - November 2021

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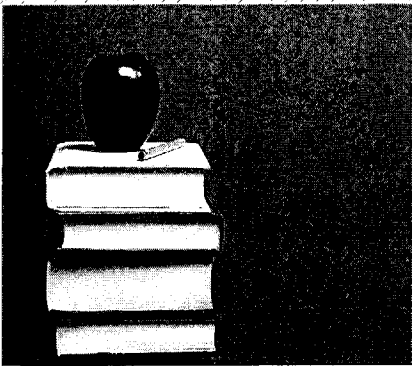
A Wedding on Ladybug Farm by Donna Ball; c. 2014
Christmas on Ladybug Farm by Donna Ball; c. 2011
At Home on Ladybug Farm by Donna Ball; c. 2009
Vintage Ladybug Farm by Donna Ball; c. 2012
Forgiving Paris by Karen Kingsbury; c. 2021
Second Chance Friends by Jennifer Scott; c. 2015
Alaskan Catch by Sue Pethick; c. 2019
Anxious People by Fredrik Backman; c. 2019
Nine Perfect Strangers by Liane Moriarty; c. 20018
The House on Tradd Street by Karen White; c. 2008
A Christmas in the Alps by Melody Carlson; c. 2021
The Book of Lost Friends by Lisa Wingate; c. 2020

LARGE PRINT FICTION:

The Butler by Danielle Steel; c. 2021
The Paid Companion by Amanda Quick; c. 2004
Robert B. Parker's Fool's Paradise by Mike Lupica; c. 2020
Robert B. Parker's Stone's Throw by Mike Lupica; c. 2021
The Judge's List by John Grisham; c. 2021
Dinner on Primrose Hill by Jodi Thomas; c. 2021
The Stranger in the Lifeboat by Mitch Albom; c. 2021
Sleigh Bells Ring by RaeAnne Thayne; c. 2021
The Attic on Queen Street by Karen White; c. 2021
Better Off Dead by Lee Child; c. 2021
The Dark Hours by Michael Connelly; c. 2021

REGULAR PRINT MYSTERY:

The Lost Boys by Faye Kellerman; c. 2021
Twelve Angry Librarians by Miranda James; c. 2017



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BOOKS RECENTLY ADDED - November 2021 (Cont.)

LARGE PRINT MYSTERY:

Foul Play by Stuart Woods; c. 2021

REGULAR PRINT NON-FICTION:

The House of Kennedy by James Patterson & Cynthia Fagen; c. 2020

The Book of Hope by Jane Goodall; c. 2021

REGULAR PRINT BIOGRAPHY:

Rosemary: The Hidden Kennedy Daughter by Kate Clifford Larson; c. 2015