Minutes of the April 3, 2017 Meeting of Rhododendron Park Maintenance Company

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.

Board members present were Albert Johnson, Darrell Pritchard, Maude Kelleher, Richard Clark Carrie Meyers Rex Pulfrey

Also present were Heidi Pritchard and Heather Dunham.

Guests present were Virginia Klein and several others not listed.

The minutes of the March 6, 2017 meeting were read and Darrell moved that they be accepted, Richard seconded the motion. Motion passed

Financial Report was reviewed for March 2017. Only comment was from Carrie regarding donations. Also Albert asked about the transfer of funds into the Money Market account and Heidi said that the money came out of the checking account. Carrie then moved that the financial report be accepted. Her motion was seconded by Maude. Motion passed

Maintenance. Darrell reported that the downed trees had been cleaned up and that he expected to start mowing next week, He also mentioned the trash cans would be emptied. Rex again asked about the plans to clean up the areas and Darrell said that if the clean-up cannot be completed they are looking to hire some help in completing this project as there is so much to do. Rex also said that fertilizing should be done by now. Others thought the grass was looking good right now-others disagreed. Discussion on turning the tennis court into a basketball court as there is more interest by residence than in tennis. At this time, it is used for kids to ride their bikes and owners of dogs to let the dogs run loose. A suggestion to just take the tennis net down and reinstall when someone wants to play tennis. It was noted that special tools are required to reinstall the net and to take it down each time.

Virginia brought up the issue of hourly rate of pay for the maintenance man. Heide said that she had contacted our L&I case manager and he said no. Albert said that we are tracking what is being down and that prior records were never kept. We are working on tracking everything now including office personnel hours.

Newsletter: Carrie is still working on it. The newsletter is being posted on the website thus saving money for postage and paper. If anyone wants a paper copy they were given a form to complete and return to the office stating their desire. It was suggested that she publish the speed limit within the park and that dogs are not to run free as there is a lease law within our park and also within Pierce County. Owners are reminded that they are to clean up after their animals.

Social Events: Movie night is being work on. Committee is looking for suggestions as to what the residence would like to have. The Easter Egg Hunt was a success A \$200 fund was approved by the Board and given to the committee for the purchase of eggs and prizes.

Compliance: Question was brought up about the committee member carrying a weapon when doing their job. Told this is not acceptable. A large dog would be acceptable. Cars blocking the right a way. Pictures of trash etc. can only be taken from the street. Can accept pictures taken by neighbors from their property only?

Website. Will start listing the social activities and also list miscellaneous items on the front page. Try to keep it updated.

Someone mentioned the pot holes in the roads. You need to contact Pierce county road maintenance and if they say that our streets are private streets tell them they **are** county roads.

Open forum: Chipper /shredder and load of gravel being brought in for the front entrance work. White sign being moved to the tennis court area. All postings must be dated and removed within 10 days of posting. Can we have the county paint yellow lines to look like speed bumps as we cannot have real speed bumps installed. Get the sheriff's office out to give up ideas of how we can help in cleaning up the Park as a whole.

Question raised about income for the Park by selling easements to residents whose property abuts the green belts thus helping to keep out transits and drug activity. Legally they cannot cut down any trees and it could cause pockets around fences that people can hide in.

Old business: We are not a tax exempt HOA but are exempt from taxes on certain incomes because we are an HOA

Budget: Budget is due the first meeting in April, the website does qualify for resumes request to be completed and mailed to the office if you want to run for the board. Annual meeting notice is sent out the first week of August along with the ballots. The budget must be sent prior to the May meeting so that it can be approved at the May meeting. Thus we would have a total of 4 mailings.

It was asked if we would like to have a face book page – It would be the official Rhododendron park page. Need further discussion.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted Phyllis Hippler