



## Broad & Gales Creek Community Association, Inc.

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Tony Bello, President  
Steve Phifer, Vice President

Sallie Salter, Secretary  
Jeff Batten, Treasurer

### Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting March 10, 2022

Meeting was called to order at 19:05

#### Board Members Present:

Steve Phifer, Dusty Desteunder, Tony Matthews, Sallie Salter, Jeff Batten, Tony Bello

**Community Members Present:** Brandon Swain, Milon Morton, Melinda Ward, BJ, Lynwood Wiggins Jr.

#### Secretary's Report: Sallie Salter

1. Minutes of the previous regular meeting were issued for approval.
  - a. Motion to accept Tony Matthews
  - b. Seconded by Steve Phifer
  - c. Motion passed
2. Minutes of the special budget meeting were issued for approval.
  - a. Motion to accept Steve Phifer
  - b. Seconded by Dusty Desteunder
  - c. Motion passed

#### Treasurer's Report:

1. Review Treasurer's Report and financial statements.
  - a. Everything is Financially sound.
  - b. Telephone and internet bills were received late and is reflecting a double payment in February.
  - c. Community Building
    - i. Approximately \$25k in account.
    - ii. \$23k is the Big Rock Grant funding allocated for playground equipment and basketball court.
    - iii. Average bills/utilities for the Community building are between \$600 to \$650 a month.
  - d. Communications with the CPA
    - i. Tax filing is about complete.
    - ii. Questions concerning capitalization or depreciation were addressed.
2. Motion to approve by Dusty Desteunder.
3. Seconded Steve Phifer
- a. Motion passed

#### Fire Department Report: Chief Tony Matthews

1. The budget was submitted to the county for approval. The deadline was met.
2. Fireman Relief Fund
  - a. Jeff, Dusty, and Alison will be on the account for finances.
  - b. A list of assignments has been developed by Tony Matthews.
    - i. Signature Cards for First Citizens Bank need to be signed.
    - ii. Minutes from the board meeting.
3. All trucks are up and running.
4. Still waiting on new extrication equipment.

5. Personnel in good shape. No problems or issues.

**EMS Report:** No EMS report since no Chief present.

### **Standing Committee Reports**

1. Bylaws: Robert Lewis
  - a. No report due to Robert Lewis' absence.
2. Building and Grounds: Steve Phifer
  - a. The A/C upstairs community building was set to 60 degrees. Steve adjusted that which should reflect lower power bills for the future.
  - b. Sallie mentioned that the exterior light at the community building is buzzing. There is currently no bulb installed. This may need to be checked out.
3. Community Services (*Community Building/Cemetery*): Sallie Salter
  - a. Things are starting to pick up interest.
    - i. Winter was slow, but bookings pick up in the Summer
  - b. Church started back up last Sunday.
  - c. Wednesday night 5:30 Youth Ministry
4. Ways and Means: Missy Rhodes
  - a. No report due to Missy Rhodes absence.

### **Special Committee Reports**

1. CPA Determination Special Committee: Jeff Batten
  - a. Still working with current CPA until tax filing is complete.
  - b. Seems to be doing a little better since Mr. Rogers took over our account.
2. Cemetery Transfer Committee: Sallie Salter
  - a. No report.

### **Old Business:**

1. Quotes received for the basketball court at the community playground to include removal of old concrete, forming, and finishing new concrete.
  - a. Rodney Young: \$24,500.00
  - b. Sallie's uncle Bryan \$15,000.00
  - c. Emmanuel \$18,500.00
  - d. Fast Lane \$15,650.00.
    - i. Much more detailed quote.
    - ii. We will need to take down a few sections of fence for the equipment to enter the playground.
    - iii. They will raise the slab 3" for runoff purposes.
    - iv. 4" concrete, 3000 psi with fiber mesh.
2. B.J. Reed suggested that we break up the concrete to save money.
  - a. May need one piece of equipment needed for removal.
  - b. Tony Bello expressed that it would be approximately \$1,000 to remove as part of the quote.
  - c. Steve Phifer, Dusty, and Tony Bello recommend that we let the contractor keep it as one turn-key operation.
3. Motion to accept Fast Lane quote for service by Steve Phifer
  - a. Seconded by Dusty Desteunder.
  - b. Tony Matthews recused himself from voting due to conflict of interest.
  - c. Motion passed

### **New Business:**

1. Compassion Ministries and Community Outreach ready to take ownership of the cemetery.
  - a. Dusty raised the question of the status of the front cemetery if ownership is transferred to Sallie's ministry.
    - i. Steve Phifer mentioned that the Community Association does not own the property.
      1. Even though the GIS states that the county owns the cemetery, this is not the case.
      2. The community still thinks that we own it. The word needs to be spread that the community needs to help with maintenance and landscaping.
    - ii. Sallie Salter mentioned that if her ministry takes ownership, she will be willing to communicate with the community on the front section.
    - iii. The board committed to helping by volunteering their services in any way to help.
  - b. If approved, approximately \$4,000 in the cemetery fund will be transferred to Compassion Ministries.
  - c. Steve Phifer mentioned that, if approved, Frieda needs to be contacted to ensure she does not sell any plots in the association's name.
  - d. Motion to transfer the cemetery deed to Compassion Ministries and Community Outreach by Steve Phifer
    - i. Second Tony Mathews
    - ii. Motion Carries
2. Carteret County Contract with Broad & Gales Creek EMS.
  - a. Considering the investigation and questionable practices with the Broad & Gales Creek EMS, Steve Phifer has spoken with the County Manager, Tommy Burns, and Steven Rae, Carteret Emergency Management Director. They recommend that the Community Association Board should consider petitioning the county to obtain the contract for EMS services.
  - b. Contracts run from July 1 through June 30.
  - c. The Broad and Gales Creek Community Association may be able to obtain the contract early if the county deems a breach of the current contract with EMS.
  - d. Steve Phifer moved to start the acquisition process of the Broad & Gales Creek EMS.
    - i. Second by Dusty.
    - ii. Discussion
      1. Dusty recommended that we meet with Stephen Rae to find out what the next steps may entail.
      2. Steve Phifer recommended that since there are so many processes that need to be resolved, we will need to get our attorney involved.
      3. Dusty questioned that if the board governs EMS, control would be contained locally and not by the county taking over. Tony Bello confirmed this.
      4. Steve Phifer mentioned that there are a few options for a new contract.
        - a. The BGCCA signs a contract to govern EMS.
        - b. Carteret County would take over with their own paramedics and staff.
        - c. EMS assigned to another department like Newport, Western, Morehead, Wildwood, etc.
      5. Tony Bello mentioned that we have a good framework in place with the fire department and EMS would be a good fit.
        - a. Bylaws would need to be amended to reflect the new contract with EMS.
        - b. This may take some time to process.
      6. According to Melinda, it is about a six-month process.
    - iii. Motion Carries.

