

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the BellaVita Men's Club

Date, June 2, 2010

Officers Present: Mike Sanders (President)
 John Rodriguez (Vice President)
 Brian Himel (Secretary)
 Billy Potter (Treasurer)

A total of 38 members attended the meeting.

Mike Sanders called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Opening Remarks

Mike Sanders announced there is a pool time change for water aerobics. Water aerobics will start one half hour later in the afternoon from 6:00 PM to 6:30 PM, and one half hour earlier in the morning from 8:30 AM to 8:00 AM. The Alaska trip was a great success and we have lots of great pictures. Also, we are reminded not to feed the ducks in the neighborhood. A.J. High is going to finish telling his life story about his career after the meeting. He is a premier pilot and has written a book about his story.

Introduction of new members

There were four new members that joined the club. Mike Roberson moved in 2 weeks ago, Carlos Trevino moved in 4 months ago, Dave Wenchel moved in 3 days ago, and Marc Wormser moved in 2 weeks ago.

Secretary's report

There was a motion to waive the reading of the minutes from last months meeting by Jack Lauber.

Treasurer's report

The Treasurer's report, read by Billy Potter, showed a balance of \$2669.79 this month. There was a motion to accept the Treasurer's report.

Community updates

Veteran's update

Arlen Stiefvater, with the veteran's club, reported the Memorial garden is dedicated. The Memorial dedication ceremony went well. There was a huge crowd. Gene stated there were 378 people signed up for the dedication, and a little over 300 people came to the dedication. Because of the trailer repair the flags will remain up all this week and next week. There is a new walkway to the entrance of the club house. The walkway has been widened. Everyone is happy about this improvement.

HOA updates

The little river in the front of the club house has been shut down for redesign. The pump has been burning out every year or so. We are changing the system design. We are replacing the pump with a larger one, and installing larger piping in order to pump water from the main lake.

Advisory Committee Updates

The calendar for the month of June is finalized and projected through August.

Unfinished business and past events

During the month of May, we had a community garage sale. The garage sale did very well. One person said he made about \$300.00 during this sale.

Special heads up. Ladies Tea was given by the Bells on May 15, 2010. The ladies looked very lovely in there dresses and the men looked spiffy in their black ties and white shirts.

Flags went up on May 29, 2010.

New Business

Dedication of our memorial garden was hosted by the Veteran's club. Many people including Mike Sanders are impressed with the Memorial stone. Arlen stated the Mayor thinks we are the only community in Houston that has a Memorial garden.

Gene stated the money raised for flags paid for much of the Veteran's club activities.

There was an open forum for suggested activities for the Men's club. Someone suggested having a bulletin board for the website.

Frenchy Ducharme suggested taking a boat trip on the ship channel. Mike Sander's stated that the Veteran's club is out of money so he asked for volunteers to look into getting information to set up the boat trip by the Men's club.

Gene suggested a trip to San Jacinto with a tour. The trip would have to be scheduled at least four months in advance.

Bob Stockinger brought up formalizing national night out to get people out to learn who their neighbors are.

Bill Burdick stated that the executive council got together and talked about the advisory board. The time schedule for the club house events for the coming year was brought up.

- January –nothing scheduled.
- February –new comer's breakfast on the first Saturday of February. This event has been going on for the last three years. It is generally paid for by some sort of

sponsor. Super Bowl party on the 6th of February. Chile cook-off on the 27th of February. This is generally paid for by some sort of sponsors.

- March –the weekend of St Patrick’s Day is to be reserved. Generally a meal and some kind of dance, but it is unknown as to what will be.
- April –spaghetti night on the last Saturday of April.
- May – nothing scheduled.
- June –Fiesta
- July –some kind of event on the 16th of July.
- August –the first Saturday will be pancake breakfast.
- September –neighbor day picnic.
- October –Mistletoe Market with barbeque lunch.
- November –fish cook-off.
- December –a couple of things.

Upcoming Events

Mike Sanders reported that there will be an upcoming event in July. On Monday July 12 will be the next Couchhatta casino trip. Anyone that wants to sign up for the trip must sign up as soon as possible. The bus will fill up quickly. Jack Lauber passed a sign up sheet around. The trip is \$69.00 which includes the bus and the room. The bus will leave on July 12, 2010 at 7:45 AM. There will be refreshments on the bus.

Open forum

Gene stated on the 4th of July picnic we will have the Pearland Band present.

We now have a fire station close to us. We should let our insurance company know about this.

Announcements

The 50/50 drawing was won by Dave Kittelson.

Mike Sanders announced the next meeting will be Wednesday July 7, 2010.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM