

ACACIA TIMES

Monthly Newsletter of The Acacia Association

June 2020

What's inside:

Email blast form for Acacia information.

Information regarding issues with dogs and violations of Village ordinance is included in this newsletter.

Acacia wide garage sale is scheduled.

Board Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, June 9, 2020

Next Acacia Regular Board Meeting, July 14, 2020

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GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Acacia email blast sign up:

We are encouraging everyone to sign up for emails from Acacia. This is an efficient way for us to get information out to residents quickly and this is especially necessary right now as things can change rapidly. Examples would be news about pool, playground and basketball court opening; opening of clubhouse for daily business, any emergency announcements from the village, etc.

We **will not** share this list with anyone and it **will not** be used for solicitations, advertising, etc.

To do this you will need to complete an Email Signup Form. There is one included in this newsletter or you can get one on the Acacia web site (acacia-ihp.org) under Association Forms.

Acacia Garage Sale:

The Acacia Garage Sale will be Friday July, 24th and Saturday July, 25th. Please call or email the office if you want to be included on the map of participants.

Reminder:

With so many of us staying at home we have had an increase of residents embarking on home improvement projects and an increase of rule violations. PLEASE take the time to read the Rules and Regulations posted on our website so you don't get fined for not following stated Rules and Regulations. And make sure you complete ALCC Request for Approval for any outside projects.

Thank you to Carol and John Polacek for organizing the parade honoring all those that graduated this year. And thanks to everyone that participated – drivers, those that cheered in their yards and IHP Police for leading the parade.

Next Acacia Board Meeting is Tuesday, **July 14, 2020** at 7pm at the clubhouse.

The Acacia Association Board of Directors Meeting
June 9, 2020

The Board of Directors meeting of Tuesday, June 9, 2020 was brought to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Eckert.

Directors in attendance were: Pres. Eckert, Sec'y Brandush, Tres. Polacek, V.P. Kalinoski, McMillin, Boyd, Kwiatek, and Voyles.

Home Owners comments/questions: Laura and Camille asked about landscaping and weeding. The Grounds Director responded that there is a cycle the crew follows for trees. Beary Landscaping will be coming back to kill the weeds that were not killed when they came out originally. They are only treating weeds on common property not resident's property. A service request can be put in if necessary.

Approval of Minutes of the May 12, 2020 Board of Directors Meeting. Polacek/Brandush. 8/0/0 Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: John Polacek: On the Treasurer's Report Page, you can see that the Assessment Collection was \$84,945. With other sources of income, we show a Total Income for the month of \$85,967. Total Expenses were \$89,091 leaving a Net Ordinary Income of \$-3,124. We had a Capital Reserve transfer of \$6,000 leaving us with a Net Income of \$-9,124. We are now spending some of our Operating Reserves to balance the expenditures.

The accounts receivable currently stands at \$3,644.68. **12** members have Past Due Accounts. We continue to do all the law allows to collect the outstanding balances. In May, 16 members had late payment fees and/or interest applied.

Currently 232 members use the ACH, automatic bank withdrawal. ACH insures no late payment fee and no interest charge. ACH also saves the office time and money. Please consider this. 60% of Acacia Homeowners use it. Join the crowd! There really are no dangers. Acacia withdraws only the Assessment on the 20th of the month. If there are other charges, you receive a separate statement. When members do not pay on time, there is a cost of collection. Therefore, a \$25 fee is charged the first time you are late escalating to \$50 thereafter. Avoid those charges with ACH.

Overall, we are in good financial condition. We have two funds – Reserve fund Balance and Operating Fund Balance. They now stand at:

Reserve Fund	\$210,653.64
Operating Fund	<u>\$860,110.15</u>
Total	\$1,070,763.79

The COVID-19 Pandemic will affect the activities and costs at Acacia but we do not have the details yet.

I move that we accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Polacek, Kalinoski 8/0/0
Motion passed.

Clubhouse Director's Report: Peggy Rose Kwiatek: The Clubhouse will remain closed during the pandemic, but Kim will be there to answer phone calls and emails from the residents.

Recreation Facilities Director's Report: Amy Eckert: Ben, Lyn and I met to discuss options for opening the pool once we get final guidelines from the Department of Public Health. Guidelines came out and no pool opening until Phase 4 in Illinois. This date is set for end of June as of right now. We may still need to have some limits on number of users, social distancing etc.

This is what we looked at:

- Reservation system (online) – 2-hour time blocks during open hours – ½ hour between time blocks for sanitizing all common areas. This should make the pool available for more residents during each day.
- There may be a limit on the number of people that can be at the pool at one time – this is determined by the deck area we have available. We would be limited to 28-30 people if we need to follow current guidelines. We will make changes to that number if the guidelines change during Phase 4.
- All residents will be required to leave the pool area when specific time block is over. Failure to do this will result in pool privileges being rescinded for the rest of this season.
- Markings on pool deck where chairs can be placed keeping 6' distance, consider not putting out our chairs since they cannot be sanitized easily (except for the white plastic ones) or residents can bring their own chair if they want
- No noodles supplied by us – you can bring your own
- No volleyball, basketball, group games, etc. in pool
- No guests at this time – hopefully we will be able to allow guests if things open up more
- Face masks/covering required when checking in and leaving pool and when on deck if unable to maintain 6' distance
- No face mask/covering while in the water
- Attempt to stay 6' distance while in water
- The smoking area will be located outside of the pool deck area.

These are based on what we know now – things may change once we get guidelines from Public Health and enter Phase 4.

