

ACACIA TIMES

Monthly Newsletter of The Acacia Association

November 2021

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GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming Events:

- Sunday, December 19th – Winter/Holiday Festival in Blackhawk Park - 11:00 - 1:00
- Friday, December 24th and Friday, December 31st – Office and Maintenance closed

Reminders:

Holiday Decoration Rules

Fall decorations should be removed by the end of Thanksgiving weekend. Christmas/winter decorations can be put up starting Thanksgiving weekend. If you would like to put up ONLY lights, sooner while the weather is still good, that is allowed if you DO NOT TURN THEM ON until November 25 or after.

The Acacia Office and Maintenance will be closed Thursday, November 25th and Friday, November 26th for Thanksgiving.

New Opportunity:

If you are interested in making extra money shoveling snow, please email the office your contact information. We will compile a list of people willing to shovel and share it with residents willing to hire someone to shovel. All arrangements are to be made between the homeowner and shoveler.

Acacia Office Hours:

Monday-Friday 8:30-11:45, 12:15-3:30

ALCC forms and Service Request forms are available on the Acacia website.

Next Acacia Board Meeting is Tuesday, December 14, 2021 at 7pm in the clubhouse.

**The Acacia Association Board of Directors Meeting
November 9, 2021**

The Board of Directors meeting of Tuesday, November 9, 2021 was brought to order at 7:01 p.m. by President Eckert.

Directors in attendance were: Pres. Eckert, V.P. Kalinoski, Polacek, Boyd, Consolo, Kwiatek, and Voyles.

Directors absent: McMillin

Approval of Minutes of the October 12, 2021 Board of Directors Meeting. Polacek, Boyd 7/0/1 Motion passed.

Homeowners' comments/questions: Maureen from Cascade thanked the board for volunteering their time.

Treasurer's Report: John Polacek: For October 2021, the Acacia Association Treasurer's Report shows:

Assessment Collection	\$88,689		
Other Sources	\$1,044	Total Collection	\$ 89,733
Total Expenses			\$115,160
Net Ordinary Income			\$ (25,427)
Capital Reserve Transfer			\$ 6,000
Net Income			\$ (31,427)

We are now spending some of our Operating Reserves to balance the expenditures. This is normal every year.

As of October 31, 2021, the Accounts Receivable stands at \$10,513.

19 of 387 members have Past Due Accounts. Two members are with our attorneys for collection and may be taken to court. Those 2 members represent \$ 5,800 of our pat due accounts. We continue to do all the law allows to collect the outstanding balances. The previous month, 13 members had late payment fees and/or interest applied.

As of October 31, 2021, 243 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. 63% 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	\$219,032
	Operating Fund	<u>\$550,798</u>
	Total	\$769,830

I move that we accept the Treasurer’s Report as presented. Polacek, Boyd 7/0/1 Motion passed.

During the next month, we should have some small group meetings to discuss and correct our 2022 Budget. I will be contacting you individually for these discussions. The groups cannot exceed me and 3 Board members.

There will be a meeting of the committee creating the formal payment plan. The payment plan will be voted on at the December board meeting.

John proposed a \$10.00 increase to the monthly assessment for 2022. This is due in part to help offset the unexpected increase in materials since the pandemic began.

Motion to increase the assessment \$10.00 a month to \$240.00 for 2022. Polacek, Boyd 7/0/1 Motion passed. Roll call taken.

Board members met with the only candidate that chose to bid when we were searching for new auditor services.

Motion to accept the bid from Mugnolo & Associates, Ltd. Certified Public Accountants for auditor services. Polacek, Kwiatek 7/0/1 Motion passed.

Clubhouse Director’s Report: Peggy Rose Kwiatek: There were 2 clubhouse rentals in the month of October.

This month's Bunco Night was held on Tuesday, Nov. 2nd. We had a good turn out and everyone had a nice time. Three players won money prizes. All were wearing masks and following safety guidelines of the CDC. Our next Bunco night will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 7th. All are invited to come and play. If you are new to Bunco and don't know how to play, we will gladly teach you. Remember to bring your own beverage and \$5 for the prize money.

Acacia held its 2nd Food Drive on Friday, Nov. 5th. Two large tables were filled with food and paper products, along with the area under the tables. Thank you to the many Acacia

