

April 2018 Meeting Minutes

1) Announcements

We skipped the school meeting in April. Rescheduled for May 14th.

The Raver family has posted the intent/application for residency in the mailroom.

Has encouraged the community to check out his website www.benscarpentry.com

Kerry would like to build – this was not discussed at the April meeting. He has since sent an email to the GB Townies group/Facebook documenting status of each possible available residence. Kerry and Ayla have also asked when they need to start paying dues.

2) Date for the next meeting.5/15/2018

3) March 2018 Marsalom Financial Summary Presentation: Financial summary is available upon request, please contact Nina for more info.

4) Brian B's residency status: Tabled

a) Dave had suggested that there should be a probationary period of 6 mo.

b) Kerry had suggested that there be a separate meeting

New Business

5) Approval of proposed process for work credit requirements. Tabled

6) Discussion of the resident agreement signing proposal that some believe was earlier approved but the ratification of which has been questioned. Two different people propose two different solutions to this problem:

a) **Jonina attests to remembering** that after discussion it was fully ratified. Jonina proposes that if no other resident remembers the ratification then the agreement will be re-proposed for approval.

b) **Ron proposes** we instead approve the newly reworded residential agreement that he will be presenting.

Tabled until next meeting. Residents are to read the existing agreement & Ron's newly created agreement and come to the next meeting ready to discuss. Owl requests that a copy of both proposals be hung in the mail room.

7) Review and discuss work credit requirements and establish an approval process for hours that can be taken off of any resident's bills. It is proposed that a new policy be written regarding proper documentation of work done for any work hour credit deducted from bills. **Tabled**

8) Discussion of Marsalom Board of Directors (BOD) meeting with accountant.

a) It was suggested that we have more documentation for the three tiers for non-profit status.

b) Question: Is it possible to use work as tax write off for resident?

c) Suggested to have a question and answer email chain with the board (Dave, Jojo, Bryan Z. Laura, & Nina) for clarification of events.

9) Discussing of recording meetings electronically, with digital preservation.

a)Kerry has proposed that we have a committee for note-taking, meeting minutes and chairing.

b)Brian Z. will look into a recording device for monthly meetings

10) Discussion of volunteer being needed to update the GB policies posted on the Marsolom.com web site with recent changes.

a)Policy Changes are in the works w/policy committee

11) Dale has proposed that we have the GB mailbox moved closer to our driveway.

a)He has since contact USPS

10) Monthly Committee Updates:

Jonina observes that we need people to take responsibility for forming each committee. Each committee needs a manager responsible for calling meetings, maintaining agenda and encouraging productivity. There is already a committee list. Anyone who would like to manage a committee please step forward. Jonina has offered her perspective that all residents should actively participate in at least one committee.

The following committees are formed. Please contact the listed manager if you would like to join their committee.

Budget Committee - Manager is Jonina

Community Chores Committee - Manager is Brooke

School Committee - Manager is Dave

Maintenance Committee - Manager is Sammy & Bryan Z

Policy Management Committee - Co-managers are Owl & Ron

Safety Committee - Manager is Larson

Graphic Design Committee for GB forms & Communications-Manager is Ehrinn

Greening of Greenbriar Committee-Manager is Dale

Anyone who would like to form a new committee from the list below or an entire new committee not listed. please do so.

Permaculture committee was created-Ashley will head it up.

Committees can include these and others:

Garden Committee

Monthly Meetings CommitteeRecord Keeping Committee

Work Credit Committee

11) Community Truck Proposal:Sammy has a truck that he is willing to sell to Greenbriar for cheap. Sammy says that having a community truck could help to complete a variety of projects. Sammy wants \$800 for the truck. Work needs to be done on it.**NOTE:**there was significant opposition to this proposal at the last meeting, and more has been expressed since. **Tabled**

13) 2nd Well proposal: It is proposed that we **purchase a deep cycle battery and solar panel for up to \$500** to test the second well by pumping water from it for several days to see if it recharges and continue to produce water. There has been **some opposition to this proposal**, while others say we should **move beyond testing it**, and use solar there and perhaps a storage tank there or elsewhere to guarantee ourselves a second source of water for when the main well is down. Bring your reasoned ideas, please. **Tabled**

15) Ron proposes that Greenbriar purchase a printer to be kept in the Shop bldg. **Dave B opposes** this idea as wasteful and unnecessary. Dave suggests using one of three printers now at GB homes, and says that will encourage more in-person interactions, good for the community. **Tabled**

19) Dale seeks clarification on,and maybe a modification of, our policy for removing**bamboo and yaupon.**Dale proposes that residents with bamboo providing a privacy screen should be consulted before any bamboo is removed. Dale also seeks a proposal that would prevent destruction of bamboo screening such as that which was removed near the fork in our road, revealing Jamie's bus and trash where once there was a wall of green foilage to greet people coming in. **Tabled**

Attendees:

Jake, Kerry, Erhinn, Ron, Dave, Dale, Ayla, Camillo, Bryan Z, Brooke, Jojo, Brian B., Sammy, Ashley