

Tri-Par Estates Park and Recreation District Minutes

Board of Trustees – BOARD WORKSHOP

March 21st, 2023

TIME:.....6:42PM

CALL TO ORDER:.....Chairman Neff

ROLL CALL: Bianca Cristiani

PRESENT: In Attendance.....Ron Houchin, Mike Neff, Daryle von Holdt,
Mark Wright, Toni Borman, Cindy Little-Koenig, Dan Via, Mary Ann Upton.

Absent- Laurie Legler.

ALSO PRESENT: Lee Morris, Park Manager; Bianca Cristiani, Meeting
Recorder and Barbara Baker, Overseer

OPENING COMMENTS – Chairman Neff opened the workshop and noted the meeting is broadcast on Channel 195. Bianca Cristiani reviewed the information for viewing on Zoom.

1.Cable- TV / Internet- Discussion

Chairman Neff -Gave a little bit of his background knowledge on how many years he has worked with computers and how he knows somewhere down the line fiber optics is the way to go. He wanted to reiterate that the board is listening to everyone who has come up and told us their opinions. Our minds are not made up. Chairman asked if anyone wanted to speak on cable.

Pat Salsberg- 1777 Midlothian St.- I think the board should look at three things 1. What most residents want, 2. Cost and 3. New Tech.- my friend had an indoor antenna and it doesn't work that well, will we have class to help us older folks.

Park Manager Morris -I have a few things I wanted to discuss and I think it will answers some more questions. I wanted to talk about holding classes so we can teach people how to use things on the internet. Also wanted to explain the comcast door fee. Our plan is to have people that are well versed in new technology like Mike Neff and a few others like Mr. Wright to help out with classes and putting up antennas up like he did out in the Tiki. When we asked the vendors to come out we asked for no door fees. If they could tie the door fee to drop the in monthly rate instead of a lump sum because that would be better in the long run for residents. Hotwire did and Frontier did as well but comcast did not. The Comcast Door fee is \$100 per door in TriPar which puts us at \$85,800 or \$1.67 per month off the life of contract that is for cable tv only. If It's Internet and tv it's \$2.08 per month. Frontier offered us 3 months free service instead of a door fee that's is worth a lot and benefits the whole park not just a few. Hotwire wants to provide \$268,00 in free services but that is on a longer contract of 10 years. Please Keep in mind each company has an escalator fee added to each year.

Chairman Neff opened up the floor for Q & A

Lillian DeFeo 5306 Rancho- Is very happy with Frontier since Comcast over charged her. She does not recommend comcast to anyone.

Geoff Shepherd 4828 Tri Par- In my house we are already paying \$90 for comcast but Frontier has service for \$56 and personally my opinion is don't stress too much about it and pick the one that can give us the best deal for a fair price.

Emma Hochstetler 4713 Brea Burn- If you haven't read the reviews on frontiers page there is nothing good on there. At least with Comcast they are right down the road if we have problems and Frontier has no offices in town.

Jon Greenleaf 5115 Pebble Beach- Doesn't the park have rules about having antennas on the house itself? If so would that be changed in our Policies and procedures. The Pros of internet only would be a good bulk rate price and a mobile router.

Park Manager Morris- If the board chooses to go Internet only we would have to bring it to the board to approve the antennas.

Connie Curtis 4710 Winged Foot-I'm not too fond of Comcast they have bad reviews as well and Frontier is better priced.

Joe (inaudible last name and address)-Are the Final Pricing from the vendors in?

Park Manager Morris – Yes all pricing is in.

Darlene Thompson 1800 Innis Brook-I'm not very happy with Comcast and I've been to Comcast a lot and have never received a discount for living in Tri-Par.

Pat Salsbreg 1777 Midlothian-Do we get the MLB channel with Frontier that normally cost a lot of money.

Park Manager Morris- yes If it's on the list they gave us you get those channels.

Pam Regula 1808 Innisbrook-I've been working from home 40 hours a week and I feel like It doesn't matter who we go with Comcast, Frontier they both have good and bad reviews that is the price we pay dealing with big business.

2.New Business.- None

3. PUBLIC INPUT -(Any Topic)

Dale Funkhouser 5226 Tri Par – I spoke to a person at Frontier and it was someone I could understand and I commend Lillian for figuring out how to set up Frontier. I am personally addressing the trustees to be fair to all of the 872 tv it really is your decision. The proposed budget without cable is 893 dollars. I think it would be fair to get internet and if people wanted to get also get cable they may do so or get a \$50 inside antenna so you can get local channels. I don't use it all year around. I think we should provide classes for those who may need help. It is not my responsibility to provide tv for those who want them. No one should get upset with you on our decisions or make threats because you all are elected officials.

Trustee Little-Koenig- My thoughts are that High speed internet and fiber optics would be the way to go but that is me thinking out loud.

4. ADJOURN THE BOARD WORKSHOP

- **Trustee Borman made a motion to Adjourn the Board Workshop.**
- **Trustee Little-Koenig seconded the motion.**
- The motion carried on a unanimous roll call vote.
- **The Board Workshop adjourned at 7: 34pm.**

This copy of the Minutes of the aforesaid Special Budget Workshop of the Board of Trustees of Tri-Par Estates has been transcribed for approval by the Board of Trustees at the next called meeting of the District.