

## Board of Directors

Fort Clark Springs Association, Inc.  
Regular Meeting  
January 16, 2016



The Board of Directors of Fort Clark Springs Association, Inc. met in regular session on Saturday, January 16, 2016, in the Board Room, Fort Clark Springs, Kinney County, Texas. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am by President, Myrna Cassel. Roll call established a quorum with the following directors present: B.E. Sweet – Vice President, Bill Herman – Secretary, Sandra Hagen – Treasurer, and Ann Barron – Director. Also present was Monique Jensen – Executive Secretary/Interim Administrative Operations Manager and Philip Garcia – Interim Field Operations Manager.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE** Cassel announced the search for a new Executive Director has been narrowed down and interviews scheduled for the next week. Also announced on Monday will be a breakfast with the Board at 10am in the Board room this is similar to Java with John.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Herman moved to approve the minutes for the December 19, 2015 meeting. Hagen seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Herman moved to approve the minutes for the Special Meeting held on January 8, 2016. Hagen seconded the motion. Motion passed.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Hagen read aloud the bank balances as of January 13, 2016. She also read the estimated and actual bank transfers for January 2015 and the estimated transfers for January 2016.

**APPROVAL TRANSFER OF FUNDS:** Hagen moved to approve the transfer of funds expected for January 2016. Herman seconded the motion. *Motion Passed*

### **DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT:**

Las Moras Grill has new hours and a new menu. Work on Dickman Hall is continuing to go forward with work continuing on in the main dining room. Maintenance and Airport Committee has started work on the Hangar at the Airport. Brush pick up has been slow because one of our major pieces of equipment was down. Mrs. Warm made it possible for us to purchase the parts needed to fix the vehicle. Paving on the roads will start next week for filling in pot holes. Continue coordinating with Security regarding speeding and running stop signs. Our rules and regulations make it so that we can send out warnings and fines. Five (5) warnings have been sent out. Last month we announced the policy regarding pet registrations, we have received 10 registrations, 7 members received warnings and 1 member was fined. Repair of pool tables are complete and moved downstairs. RV Park attendant position was filled. The office is open on Martin Luther King Day and trash pick-up will be normal. Tuesday a meeting with Recycling has been scheduled. Nineteen bales of cardboard have been baled.

### **COMMITTEE AND ORGANIZATION REPORTS:**

**Architectural Committee:** Six permits reviewed & approved with fences, drains, siding and roof replacements. Thank you to Maintenance for assisting when green space is in question. In April, 2 positions on the committee will be available. Anyone can come observe the meetings which are scheduled every Tuesday at 9am in the boardroom.

**Golf Committee:** In December 961 players signed in 192 more than in November. Upcoming Tournaments are Pitter Putter in February, Hope Tournament in March, Las Moras in April, Memorial Day in May, 4<sup>th</sup> of July and many more all sponsored by the Golf Committee. Golf Committee are all volunteers and have brought in approximately \$18,000 and \$4500 in the Pro Shop. The committee received a letter from Clint Conrad from Brackett High School Golf Coach requesting for the high school students to be able to volunteer their time to help work and repair at the course.

**Preservation Committee:** Mark Brookhouser will assess the NCO club after a previous contractor did not complete the work. Seminole Hall will have 7 new posts and the Cavalry Flag on the front which were found to be rotting. Adult Center roof was assessed and will need major work done.

**Community Council:** At the last meeting several projects were discussed for upcoming year. A gun safety awareness program was discussed depending on whether the open carry issue is on the ballot. Saturday, February 13, 2016 at 10am will be the Candidates Forum in the Board room. A brief meeting will be held at 9:30 and then go directly into the Forum which Allison Watkinson will moderate. Charles Fields was appointed as Member-At-Large. Fort Clark Days is scheduled for March 4 and 5.

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**Recycling Committee:** Ms. West (recycling chair) was not at the meeting. Herman stated that right now pricing is very low and not worth sending out any loads.

**RV Committee:** No Report.

**Recreation:** Thanks given for the repair of the pool tables. Wednesday nights are pool tournaments at the Adult Center at 6pm. January 25, Mary Ellen Miner will be giving a presentation on the History of Spofford.

**Airport Advisory Committee:** Maintenance and Committee are working hard together on fixing the roof of the hangar. Recently, the hangar doors which have not moved for 50 years were worked on and now move. A new sign on the front of the hangar will be placed along with paint on the front gable. Out of 540 window panes only 492 need to be replaced. Donations will be appreciated. Runway is in good shape. Working on a potential for a 'fly-in' during Fort Clark Days.

**Search & Certification Committee:** The committee met on January 13 and certified 7 candidate forms for the upcoming Board of Directors election. One Candidate rescinded due to the length of commitment. Two additional candidate forms accepted after the deadline by the front office were not certified by the committee. One of these candidates also rescinded. Because there were conflicting documents for deadlines the final candidate form will be accepted once certified after lengthy discussion. Final number for candidates is 7.

### **Discussion:** Candidate Placement 2016 Election Ballot

After discussion, Darlene Sandwick a member of the Search and Certification Committee, suggested to include the final candidate in the last placement on the ballot after being certified. Barron moved to accept Sandwick's suggestion to include the final candidate in the last placement on the ballot. Hagen seconded the motion. Motion passed with 4 in favor and Sweet against. Each candidate, in alphabetical order drew for placement on the 2016 ballot. Placement is as follows: Gina Forister, place 1; Kim Van Ort, place 2; Garland Young, place 3; Bill Herman, place 4; Dan Sullivan, place 5; Kent Partlow, place 6; and John Rosettsky will be in place 7 once he is certified.

### **Discussion:** Ballot Items/Issues

Because it is a lengthy process for typing the informational brochure and because of the confusion of the deadline, please turn in resume and picture on Monday, January 18. Reminder that February 13, at 10:00AM is the candidate forum.

### **Discussion/Consideration:** Tabled Motion for Open Carry Law

Herman read aloud the proposed resolution 2016-01 to amend the FCSA Rules & Regulations adopting an "Open Carry Prohibited" rule for common grounds and buildings of FCSA. Cassel reminded the Board of the motion that was tabled: Hagen moved to approve the resolution to amend the FCSA Rules & Regulations to prohibit Open Carry on the grounds and buildings of FCSA. The motion was then tabled by Barron for the Board to discuss further. Hagen read aloud Security Manager Matt Bland's recommendations regarding the Open Carry Law. Hagen called the question. Motion died with 2 in favor and 3 against. Cassel posed the question of whether to re-write the resolution or put the question on the ballot. Hagen moved to revised the resolution to include only the Fort Clark buildings areas surrounding them and to include the swim park and other common properties. Herman seconded the motion. Motion passed with 4 in favor and 1 abstaining from the vote. Hagen stated that once the resolution is re-written it will be posted on the website, e-newsletter, and by putting up the appropriate signage on all the buildings and locations involved.

### **15-Minute Discussion Period:**

Sam Lark: People can do great things if it doesn't matter who get credit. Dickman Hall is beautiful and most of it done by volunteers. Support the Fort including the Creekside Restaurant. If we want FCS to be a great and fun place then we need to make it that. Mary Partlow: Why is there no transfer of funds in impound? Why is the Airport not considered by the Preservation committee?

### **RECESS OPEN MEETING TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION: TIME: 11:19 AM**

### **RETURN TO OPEN SESSION – Oral Summary of discussion held: TIME: 2:14 PM**

Met with a member regarding personal issues. Had a presentation of data, phone, internet solutions and have asked them to come back to the February meeting to present to the membership because they may provide faster and possibly less expensive services to the Fort and members. "Open Gate" policy and no garage sales was approved for Fort Clark Days. Discussed FRM's and non-recorded title owners not being eligible to vote pursuant to new changes in Chapter 209 Property Owner's Association Act. Cassel moved to allow those

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memberships who are not recorded title property owners (Charter members) to vote one last time in this current election. Herman seconded. Motion passed with 3 in favor and 2 against. Barron asked for her dissent to action to be recorded in the minutes, and Hagen asked to be included. There would be closed workshops for interviews with the final candidates for Executive Director on January 22 and 25.

**CONFIRMATION OF NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING, TIME AND DATE:** The next regular board meeting will be held on February 20, 2016, at 9:00 AM in the Board Room.

**WITH NO FURTHER BUSINESS. THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 2:21 PM.**

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**Myrna Cassel, President**

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**Bill Herman, Secretary**