



**Community Advisory Committee (CAC)
Meeting Minutes – March 25, 2026**

In attendance from the committee (in person at Sycamore House or by zoom):

Gene, Naisa, Deborah, Tom, Lee, Julie, Tyler, Courtney, Jennifer

Others in attendance:

Karyn Moreland (Board Liaison to CAC), Sophie Lambert (staff), some residents joined via Zoom

The meeting started just after 5:30 pm. Gene, as Chair, welcomed everyone.

Resident Comments

- Gary Sidor asked if the Farm Loop Trail would be reopening soon. Currently you cannot get to the ravine and access the trail around the second field. Sophie shared that the sanitation easement project for Parkside Village/Fleetwood North was slowly completing construction, but reseeding/plantings have not taken place yet.
- Gary also shared that he hopes that the Conservancy is still taking all the feedback from the HOA into consideration as they look for ways to generate more revenue and going into the next budget cycle. He shared how he wants us to be successful.
- Seth said hi and shared that the Archery Club is hoping to have a presence at more Conservancy events.
- Seth gave kudos for the Let's Talk Trash event but asked why it was during the week. Sophie shared that it is helpful for staff if it is during the week and we get a high student turnout by holding it on a day when LCPS is closed.
- Finally, Tom asked Seth who the HOA Board liaisons are to various committees, since there is a new board. Seth shared that Steve Bloom and Sharon Eisenburg are the two liaisons to the Conservancy.

Education Session – Grange Amenities and Maps

Gene presented an analysis he had prepared about the Grange Village amenities and maps. He oriented the group to different areas in the village by map and photos showing them the community garden, BMX course, Bear Tree House, Winston's Dog Park, Paddock Gate playground, Sycamore House, pool, playground, and Farm Stand. Then he walked the group through the challenges facing the Village – substations, power lines, data center construction. The group discussed the NOVEC tree plantings and potential for more tree plantings (Supervisor TeKrone requesting this of Microsoft) or Conservancy Open Space Projects (where residents partner with the Conservancy to plant native trees, shrubs, etc on open space).

Karyn gave an update on board issues. She shared that we were shortly going to submit our tax exemption application to the county (so that we could potentially save \$55k per year on property and other taxes). Sophie shared that the Conservancy raised almost \$3,000 as part of the Community Foundation's Give Choose effort on March 24 which will help us expand our food access efforts. Karyn announced that there will be an open board seat on the Conservancy – applications are due on April 20. Then they gave an update on two recently hired staff – a new ranger and a new farmer. Tom asked to see any job descriptions for open positions to share with a potential candidate.

Naisa then gave an update on the survey and that a draft will be ready to share for staff and Conservancy board input soon, but there was discussion about adding a question about development impacts around the community and the best role for the Conservancy to play. Sophie is still investigating which survey tool could limit the votes to one per household.

The meeting ended with an update on the Fifteen Year anniversary and how we might host an event to mark the occasion.

The committee set the date for the next meeting – Wednesday, April 22 at the Boat House unless a tour of the farm could be set up.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:30 PM.